

KNEE REPLACEMENT MANAGEMENT

OUTPATIENT STAGE

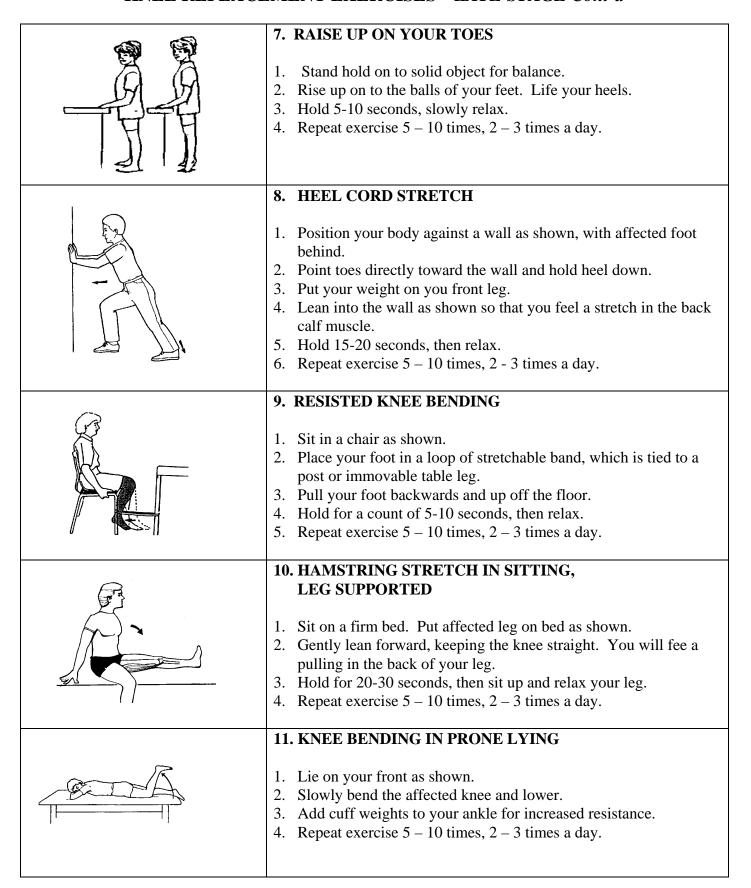
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KNEE REPLACEMENT EXERCISES – LATE STAGE

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	1. STRAIGHT LEG RAISE
	 Lie on your back with affected knee straight and other knee bent as shown. Keep leg completely straight, then raise it six inches, Hold for 10 seconds, then slowly lower. Repeat exercise 5 – 10 times, 2 – 3 times a day.
	2. BEND THE KNEE
	 Lie flat on your back. Slide heel of affected leg along a board toward your buttock, bending the knee as much as possible. Hold for 10 seconds, then slowly lower. Repeat exercise 5 – 10 times, 2 – 3 times a day
	3. EXTENDED THE KNEE OVER A ROLL
	 Lie on your back with 4-inch roll under your knees. Raise heel of affected leg off the bed, until it is straight. Hold for 10 seconds, then slowly lower. Increase difficulty by putting a weight over your ankle as advised. Repeat exercise 5 – 10 times, 2 – 3 times a day.
	4. STATIC HAMSTRING
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	5. BEND YOUR KNEE
	 Sit in a chair with your affected foot close to the base of the chair. Slide your heel under the chair as far as you can go. Hold for 5 – 10 seconds then straighten leg out again. Repeat exercise 5 – 10 times, 2 –3 times day.
	6. STRAIGHTEN YOUR KNEE
	 Sit on edge of table or bed. Straighten knee fully. Hold for 3-5 seconds, slowly lower. Repeat exercise 5 – 10 times, 2 – 3 times a day.

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12. KNEE EXTENSION IN PRONE LYING
 Lie as shown with roll under your foot. Press foot down onto roll and life knee off the bed. Hold 5 - 10 seconds. Repeat exercise 5 - 10 times, 2 - 3 times a day.
 KNEE BENDING IN STANDING Stand holding on to solid object as shown. Slowly bend the affected knee and lower. Repeat exercise 5 – 10 times, 2 – 3 times a day.

MANAGEMENT OF YOUR KNEE REPLACEMENT

- Take your pain medication 30 45 minutes prior to exercise.
- Apply ICE PACKS to knee after the exercises for 15 20 minutes.
- Do only the exercises selected by your physiotherapist as appropriate for you.
- To decrease swelling, lie down and elevate your foot higher than your heart for 20-30 minutes. While in this position, include some ankle pumping. Repeat this routine 2 3 times per day. You may ice and elevate at the same time.
- Do each exercise indicated by your therapist 10 times. Slowly increase the number of repetitions until you are able to do 3 sets of 10 repetitions. Rest after each 10.
- Do each exercise slowly, holding to the count of 5 seconds before relaxing. If pain occurs during, or last longer than 1-2 hours following exercise, decrease the number of repetitions, or stop that exercise until discussed with your physiotherapist.
- Weights can be added to the ankle when you are able to hold the knee straight. Check with your physiotherapist first.