

Carpal Tunnel Release Protocol

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Post-Op Weeks 1-2:

-Elevate arm and perform finger ROM exercises -Minimize swelling and promote soft tissue healing

Post-Op Weeks 2-4:

-Tendon Gliding Activities -Scar management -Light functional use of hand (eating, typing) with lifting less than 1 lb. -No gripping tightly or pulling/pushing objects

Post-Op 4-8 Weeks:

-Continue progressive hand ROM exercises -Strengthening program is gradually increased

-Progress to independent and functional use of the hand