

## ADVANCED ORTHOPAEDIC SPECIALISTS



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## **Lateral Release / Medial Imbrication Rehab Protocol**

	Weight Bearing	Brace	Range of Motion	Therapeutic Exercises
Phase I 0 - 2 weeks PT 2x/week	Week 1: Toe-Touch Week 2: 33% weight bearing	Week 1: Knee immobilizer 0°.	Week 1: No ROM	Quad sets  No supine straight leg raises Prone hip extension Heel slides to ROM
		Week 2: Knee immobilizer 30°	<b>Week 2</b> : 0-30°	
Phase II 2 - 4 weeks PT 2x/week — AFP 1-2x/week	Week 3: 66% weight bearing	Week 3: Knee immobilizer 60°.	<b>Week 3</b> : 0-60°	Quad sets  No supine straight leg raises Prone hip extension Heel slides to ROM
	Week 4: Full weight bearing as tolerated	Week 4: Knee immobilizer 90°	Week 4: 0-90°	
Phase III 4 - 6 weeks PT 1-2x/week — AFP 2x/week	As tolerated	Week 5: Knee immobilizer 120°	Week 5: 0-120°	Quad sets No supine straight leg raises
		Week 6: Discontinue knee immobilizer. Begin patellar stabilizing brace.		
Phase IV 6 - 12 Weeks PT 1-2x/week — AFP 2x/week	Full weight bearing	Patellar stabilizer	Full range of motion	Stretch, Strengthen, NO STRAITENING
Phase V 12 - 16 Weeks <sup>AFP</sup>	Full weight bearing	Patellar stabilizer	Full range of motion	Running Stait
Phase VI 16+ Weeks <sup>AFP</sup>	Full weight bearing	Patellar stabilizer	Full range of motion	Return to Sport