Dr. Craig Chike Akoh, MD Pediatric ACL Reconstruction with IT Band Autograft Rehabilitation Protocol

	Weight Bearing	Brace	Range of Motion	Exercises/Strength
0-2 Weeks	Toe Touch WB	Locked at 0°	CPM 0-30°	Heel slides, SLR, SAQ, calf stretching
2-6 Weeks	Toe Tough WB	Locked at 0°	D/C CPM if apprehension to motion has dissipated ROM 0-90°	Heel slides, SLR, SAQ, calf stretching, Assisted and active seated flexion and extension exercises
6-12 Weeks	Full	D/C Brace	ROM as tolerated	Formal Strengthening can begin at 6 weeks Beginning with Closed Chain Proprioceptive exercises and progressing as tolerated
3-6 Months	Full	Functional Brace RTS Brace	Full	Straight ahead jogging may begin at 3 months Functional sport activities
6-12 Months RTS Criteria	Full	Functional Brace	Full	Symptom free running Confidence with jumping and landing (double and single leg) Pain free activities Ability to confidently perform cutting and lateral movements and decelerate and change directions Functional Sport Test with good results

Rehabilitation may be modified if concomitant meniscal or cartilage procedure

RTS is determined by M.D. only after a functional sport test is conducted and deficiencies are addressed

For any questions or concerns regarding the protocol or rehabilitation process please contact my Athletic Trainer below.