Total Knee Replacement Physical Therapy Protocol

Week 1:

- Goals: Initiate HEP, encourage WBAT mobility with FWW, manage pain/edema,
 0-105 degrees AROM
- Exercises: QS, SAQ, assisted heel slides, SLRs, LAQs, hip flexion

Week 2:

- Goals: Advance HEP, initiate ambulation with SPC, develop quadriceps recruitment
- Additional Exercises: HS curls, TKE, assisted TKE, leg press, NuStep, heel raises

Weeks 3-6:

- Goals: Advance HEP, perfect gait pattern with SPC and initiate transition to ambulation without AD, develop strength, 0-120 degrees AROM
- Additional Exercises: Step ups, squats, lunges, recumbent bike, single leg stance

Abbreviations:

AD: assist device QS: quad sets AROM: active range of motion SAQ: short arc quad FWW: front wheeled walker SLRs: straight leg raises HEP: home exercise program SPC: single point contact HS: hamstring TKE: terminal knee extension LAQs: long arc quads WBAT: weight bear as tolerated

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