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Dr. Allen Ulnar Nerve Cubital Tunnel Release With Anterior Transposition Post-Op Protocol

Phase I: Protection (Weeks 0-2)

- -Leave splint in place until first visit ~2 weeks post-op (cover to shower)
- -Scheduled NSAIDs/Tylenol with opioids for break through pain
- -Non-weight bearing
- -Work on finger, hand, wrist, and shoulder motion

Phase II: Motion (Weeks 2-6)

- -First post-op visit at ~2 weeks
- -Splint & sutures removed at first visit
- -Ok to shower after splint is removed
- -Edema control & scar massage once wound is healed
- -Begin elbow motion to tolerance
- -1# lifting restriction until week 6
- -Ok to use hand for cell phone, hygiene, and computers

Phase III: Strengthening (Weeks 6+)

- -Second post-op visit at 6 weeks
- -Advance weight training as able
- -No restrictions