## University College London Hospitals **MFS**

## **NHS Foundation Trust ACJ ORIF / STABILISATION** Mr Rashid

	Post op
Immediate	<ul> <li>Sling 4 weeks</li> <li>Postural advice, Scapula setting &amp; axillary hygiene</li> <li>Cervical spine, elbow, wrist &amp; hand exercises</li> </ul>
Day 1-3 Weeks	<ul> <li>Passive table slides and gentle active assisted up to 90º flexion/scaption/abduction in sling</li> <li>Rotation as comfort allows in neutral</li> <li>No horizontal adduction/cross body flexion for 6 weeks</li> <li>No hand behind back for 6 weeks</li> <li>No lifting / loading for 6 weeks</li> <li>No closed chain proprioception exercises for 12 weeks</li> </ul>
3-6 Weeks	<ul> <li>Begin weaning off sling for ADLs</li> <li>Progress active-assisted to active below 90 degrees</li> <li>Gentle strengthening below 90º (commence in neutral gentle static isometric exercises)</li> <li>No horizontal adduction/cross body flexion for 6 weeks</li> <li>No hand behind back for 6 weeks</li> <li>No lifting / loading for 6 weeks</li> <li>No closed chain proprioception exercises for 12 weeks</li> </ul>
6 Weeks +	<ul> <li>Discard sling (if has not already)</li> <li>Progress active-assisted - active movement above 90°</li> <li>Strengthening in available range</li> <li>No closed chain proprioception exercises for 12 weeks</li> </ul>
16 weeks +	Sports specific rehabilitation can commence including closed chain proprioception exercises

Milestones	
Week 6	75% of full ROM, comfortable out of sling
Week 12	Full ROM, 90% to full strength

Sling - Donjoy Aircast

**Return to Functional Activities** 

**Driving** 3 weeks **Swimming** 6 weeks **Contact Sports** 6 months + Lifting Light - 6 weeks Heavy - 6 months +

Work Sedentary - 3 weeks (limited light lifting duties)

Manual - 3 months +