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Nerve Repair – Radial

0 - 2 weeks:

Splint: Postoperative dressing is changed as needed, and the patient is fitted with a dynamic radial nerve splint at the earliest opportunity.

Motion: Unrestricted passive and active range of motion of wrist and digits, with goal to maintain supple joints. Edema control as needed.

2 weeks:

Splint: Continued as above

Motion: Continued as above. Sutures are removed and the patient is started on strength maintenance of antagonist muscles. The patient is started on scar massage and desensitization.

6 weeks:

Components of the splint are reduced over the next several months in accordance with ongoing recovery. Splinting is continued until function joint range is achieved recovery or tendon transfers.