

# **ANKLE ORIF Rehab Protocol**

## NON WEIGHT BEARING on operative leg for 6 weeks.

### XRAYS at 2, 6 and 12 wks post op.

### Week 0-2:

- NON weight bearing
- In splint at all times
- Crutches for ambulation
- Sutures out at 2 weeks

### Weeks 2 - 6:

- NON weight bearing
- Walking boot placed
- Begin home/in person PT -daily ankle ROM
  - 1. Ice, NSAIDS
  - 2. ROM of ankle
  - 3. Isometrics for inversion/eversion
  - 4. Isotonics for plantar/dorsi flexion

### Weeks 6 - 8:

- Weight bearing as tolerated in WALKING BOOT
- Off Crutches
- PT for ankle conditioning and ROM
- XRAY at 6 weeks If evidence of healing
  - 1. Proprioceptive training
  - 2. Advance to PT as tolerated

### <u>Weeks 8 - 12:</u>

- Weight bearing in regular shoes
- Lace up ankle brace until week 12
- XRAY at 12 weeks if healed
  - 1. PT for advanced strength and sport specific training