

## CARE PATHWAY: TOTAL KNEE REPLACEMENT SURGERY

	Day of Surgery	Post-Op Day 1	Post-Op Day 2 (Day of Discharge)	At Home or Rehab
NUTRITION	Ice chips or clear liquids	Clear liquids then usual diet as tolerated	Usual diet as tolerated	Usual diet as tolerated
ACTIVITY	Cough & deep breathing.  Pillow under Ankle	Physical Therapy Knee exercises	Begin stairs Sit in chair for meals	Ok to shower Ok to drive in 6-8 weeks
MEDICATION	PCA pump for pain control	Pain medication	Lovenox injection teaching	Pain medication Blood Clot prevention
TREATMENT	SCD/ Compression hose Urinary catheter		Remove foley Change Dressing Toileting	Home Health  Walking/knee exercises Staple removal 10-14 days
PLANNING FOR HOME CARE		Discharge Planning  Home Equipment	Home or Skilled nursing facility	

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