



## Thumb CMC Arthroplasty Standard Dr. Staiger

\*Schedule OT same day as doctor.

Time Frame	Treatment	Goals
Phase I	Evaluate and Treat.	<ul> <li>Protection</li> </ul>
Post-Op Day 10-14	<ul> <li>Fit with a Neoprene Thumb Spica (Comfort Cool CMC Restriction Orthosis A4467)</li> <li>Highly recommend a custom fabricated hand-based</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Edema control</li><li>Scar management</li><li>Pain management</li></ul>
	thumb Spica orthosis (L3913) with IP joint free, place thumb into a "C" position.	
	<ul> <li>Instruct in edema management.</li> <li>Begin opposition of thumb to each finger, palmar</li> </ul>	
	abduction, and composite flexion and wrist flexion and extension for 5 repetitions, 3 days per week.	
	<ul> <li>Instruct in scar management techniques (to begin once incision is healed).</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>Issue scar pad (to be worn once incision is healed).</li> </ul>	
Phase II	Instruct in gentle, pain-free thumb and wrist active range	• ROM
6 Weeks	of motion exercises including previous exercises and IP joint flexion/extension, MP joint flexion/extension, radial abduction, opposition, and circumduction to be completed 10 repetitions, 3 times/day on a daily basis.  • May use modalities as indicated (if needed earlier may begin at 4 weeks post-op)  • Modalities may include Ketoprofen,  Dexamethasone, or Potassium lodide as indicated.  • May continue to see client (if needed) and may progress to active assistive range of motion of wrist and thumb as needed.  • Begin gentle stabilization strengthening exercises as tolerated.	Stabilization
Phase III	Educate in light pain free putty thumb and hand	• PREs
8 Weeks	strengthening exercises. May also use rubber band to	
(If Needed)	complete resisted radial abduction of the thumb for 12-15 repetitions.	
	<ul> <li>Instruct/reinforce: client will see improvement up to 1</li> </ul>	
	year, the greatest within the first 12 weeks, then	
	continued gradual improvement up to 12 months.	
	<ul> <li>At 12 months 95% of client's are happy/satisfied.</li> </ul>	