



Trigger Finger/A1 Pulley Release and/or Partial Tendon Excision of Finger

(Post Surgical)

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*Schedule OT 2-5 days post-op of more than 1 finger or if ordered by doctor.

Time Frame	Treatment	Goals
Phase I Post-Op Day 1-3	 Evaluate and Treat. Dressing change and check for signs/symptoms of infection. Assess active range of motion. Instruct client in edema management. No orthosis is needed unless ordered. Instruct in AROM exercises including isolated blocking exercises of PIP joint and DIP joint into flexion/extension, tendon-gliding exercises, and wrist AROM. Instruct in gentle, pain free passive flexion/extension. 	 Edema control Pain management ROM
Phase II 10-14 Days	 Follow up with same day or 3 days/the following week after next doctor visit. Instruct in scar management techniques (to begin once incision is healed). Issue scar pad (to be worn once incision is healed). Continue to see if ordered or needed. 	Scar managementContinued ROM
Phase III 3 Weeks	 May use modalities as indicated (ultrasound typically not done until 4 weeks post-op). May include Ketoprofen, Dexamethasone, or Potassium Iodide as indicated at 4 weeks. 	 Continued edema control and pain and scar management Functional ROM