BAYCARE CLINIC

Lower Extremity Strengthening Exercises – Sitting

Do _____ repetitions of each exercise _____ times a day.

A. Ankle Pumps

- 1. Sit with feet flat on the floor.
- 2. Pull toes up and then return to the floor.

B. Heel Raises – Sitting

- 1. Sit with feet flat on the floor.
- 2. Lift heels off the floor, up and down.

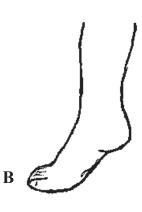
C. Hip Flexion – Sitting

- 1. Sit in a chair with feet flat on the floor.
- 2. Lift your leg off the floor.
- 3. Slowly lower to start position.

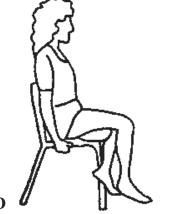
D. Knee Extension – Sitting

- 1. Sit with feet flat on the floor.
- 2. Straighten one knee.
- 3. Hold for approximately seconds.
- 4. Return to start position.











E. Hip Adduction – Isometric

- 1. Sit with feet together and flat on the floor.
- 2. Place a firm pillow between your knees.
- 3. Squeeze the pillow and hold for 5 seconds. Relax.



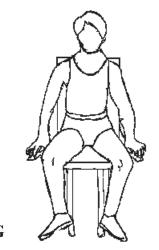
F. Knee Flexion - Sitting with resistance band (Thera-Brand®)

- 1. Sit with feet flat on the floor.
- 2. Hook band behind heel of foot and secure other end around leg of chair or table.
- 3. Bend knee, pulling band taut.
- 3. Hold for approximately _____ seconds.
- 4. Straighten knee slowly.



G. Hip Abduction

- 1. Sit with feet flat on the floor.
- 2. Spread knees apart as far as possible. Relax.



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