Hamstring Tendinopathy Tenotomy Rehabilitation Protocol			
Phase of Healing	Time Frame	Restrictions	Rehabilitation
Phase 1: Inflammatory	Days 0-5	<ul> <li>No use of NSAIDs or ice</li> <li>Non weight bearing for 4 days with crutches</li> <li>Day 5: slowly progress to toe touch weight bearing with crutches</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Rest</li> <li>Acetaminophen as needed for pain</li> <li>Day 4: begin gentle hip flexion ROM 4 times per day</li> <li>Use a seat cushion for comfort</li> </ul>
Phase 2: Proliferative	Day 6 - Week 2	<ul> <li>No use of NSAIDs or ice</li> <li>Slowly wean off crutches after day 7</li> <li>Avoid painful exercises with pain more than 3 out of 10</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Start gentle ROM of the hip, 4 times per day</li> <li>Begin isometric exercises</li> <li>Begin straight leg raises and heel slides</li> <li>Begin core stability exercises</li> </ul>
	Weeks 2 - 4	- No use of NSAIDs or ice - Avoid painful exercises with pain more than 3 out of 10	<ul> <li>Continue gentle ROM as needed to regain full ROM</li> <li>Begin strengthening knee flexion and hip extension</li> <li>Begin hamstring stretching</li> <li>Begin balance exercises</li> <li>May begin stationary bike</li> </ul>
	Weeks 4 - 6	- Avoid painful exercises with pain more than 3 out of 10	- Progressive strengthening exercises - Progress aerobic exercise
Phase 3: Remodeling	Weeks 6+	- Activities as tolerated	Continue strengthening program and progressive loading     Begin sport specific activities
NSAID (Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug); ROM range of motion			