

# Patient information

# **Tibial Brace**

Therapies Speciality

Name:		
Hospital:		
Splint:		Tibial brace
Purpose:		To support the fracture during the end stage of healing
Advice to follow		
Wear:		
	You should wear your brace (with the heel cup, if provided) at all times when mobilising. Wear your sock, stockinette and shoe with your brace.	
	You can remove your brace at night.	
	If advised to wear your brace during a night's sleep, you can remove the heel cup.	
Care:		

- You should change your stockinette daily. When you remove it, please check your leg
  for any red or sore areas. If there are any problems, please contact your Occupational
  Therapist at the number below.
- Keep your brace away from direct heat, for example out of the sun or by radiators, as it will lose its shape.
- The brace can be washed using soap and lukewarm water. Dry with a towel. **Please** do not use hot water.

### **Precautions:**

# If you develop problems such as:

- Increased swelling.
- Increased pain.
- Pins and needles.

- Red marks from the splint rubbing.
- · Loss of movement.
- Numbness.
- Skin irritation or rash.

You must contact your therapist as soon as possible for advice or to arrange an appointment.

Your Occupational Therapist is:

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## **Further information**

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