Term	Definition
Medical Treatments	
Arthrocentesis (ar-throh-sen-TEE-sis)	Involves insertion of a needle into joint cavity order to remove or aspirate fluid
Orthotic (or-THOT-ik)	Orthopedic appliance such as a brace or splint, used to prevent o correct deformities
Prosthesis (pross-THEE-sis)	Artificial device used as a substitute for body part that is either congenitally missed or absent as a result of accident or disease
Amputation (am-pyoo-TAY-shun)	Partial or complete removal of a line for a variety of reasons
Arthroclasia (ar-throh-KLAY-zee-ah)	To forcibly break loose a fused joint while patent is under anesthetic
Arthrodesis (ar-throh-DEE-sis)	Procedure to stabilize a joint by fusing bones together
Arthroscopic Surgery (ar-THROH-SKOP-IK)	Performing a surgical procedure while using arthroscope to view internal structure, such as a joint
Arthrotomy (ar-THROT-oh-mee)	Surgical procedure that cuts into a joint capsule
Bone Graft	Piece of bone taken from patient used to take the place of removed bone or bony defect at another
Bunionectomy (bun-yun-EK-toh-mee)	Removal of bursa at joint of great toe
Bursectomy (ber-SEK-toh-mee)	Surgical removal of a bursa
Chondrectomy (kon-DREK-toh-mee)	Surgical removal of cartilage
Chondroplasty (KON-droh-plas-tee)	Surgical repair of cartilage
Craniotomy (kray-nee-OT-oh-mee)	Surgical procedure that cuts into skull
Laminectomy (lam-ih-NEK-toh-mee)	Removal of vertebral posterior arch to correct severe back problems and pain caused by compression of spinal nerve
Osteoclasia (oss-tee-oh-KLAY-zee-ah)	Surgical procedure involving intentional breaking of bone to correct a deformity
Osteotome (OSS-tee-oh-tohm)	Instrument used to cut bone
Osteotomy (oss-tee-OT-ah-me)	Surgical procedure that cuts into a bone
Percutaneous discectomy (per-kyoo-TAY-	Thin catheter tube is inserted into intervertebral disk
nee-us/ dis-KEK-toh-mee)	through skin and herniated or ruptured disk material is sucked out or a laser is used to evaporate it
Spinal fusion	Surgical immobilization of adjacent vertebrae
Synovectomy (sin-oh-VEK-toh-mee)	Surgical removal or synovial membrane
Total hip arthroplasty (AR-throh-plas-tee)	Surgical reconstruction of hip by implanting prosthetic or artificial hip joint
Total knee arthroplasty (AR-throuh-plas-tee)	Surgical reconstruction of knee joint by implanting prosthetic knee joint
Fracture Care	

Cast	Application of solid material to immobilize extremity or portion of body as result of fracture, dislocation, or severe injury
Fixation	Procedure to stabilize fractured bone while it heals
Reduction	Correcting fracture by realigning bone fragments
Traction	Applying a pulling force on fractured or dislocated limb or vertebral column in order to restore normal alignment