### How to Self-Treat a Knee with a Torn or Worn-Out Cartilage. (3 Simple Steps)

- 1. Decrease stress on the knee
  - a. Reduce weight bearing use cane for a while



b. Do not sit with knee bent over 90 degrees



c. Do not stand with knees locked

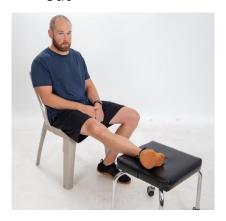


d. Stand on cushioned shoes or mat. Change position often and flex knees onto chair etc.



#### 2. Regain ROM:

a. Extension stretch (3 way) knee turned in, knee straight up, and knee turned out







b. Stretch into flexion- seated and standing with foot on chair. Knee flexion with towel under knee









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# 3. Strengthening:

## a. Isometric over pillow





## b. Shallow squats onto bed or ball on a wall



