HACKETTSTOWN MEDICAL CENTER PHYSICAL/OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY PROCEDURE MANUAL GONIOMETRY

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PURPOSE

Goniometric measurements are indicated for definitive objective data to note a joint's ability to move and chart progress. Standard joint axis and method of documentation are used.

PROCEDURE

- 1. The patient should be relaxed; procedure should be explained.
- 2. The joint to be measured should be exposed--free of clothing, bandages, brace.
- 3. Measure the same joint on the contra-lateral side first. When measuring the involved joint, take it passively to the end range and then measure.
- 4. Measurements may be recorded in evaluation or progress notes.