## Orthotics



## Orthotic device can be fitted by any clinician who has undergone appropriate instruction. If you are unsure how to fit a splint, sling or orthotic device, please ask a senior.

Device	Indication	Fitting
Wrist splints	<ul> <li>Buckle fracture (distal radi or ulna)</li> <li>Suspected scaphoid fractu</li> <li>Wrist sprains</li> </ul>	match to measurement on box
Zimmer Splint (Finger)	<ul> <li>Finger soft tissue injuries (ov dressing if required)</li> <li>Volar plate avulsions</li> <li>Phlanyx fractures as directed by clinician</li> <li>This can be done in conjunction with buddy strapping, be guided by clinician.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>cut crescent shape to fit around base of finger</li> <li>Place disc of splint over volar MCP head and mould over tip of injured finger</li> <li>Secure with cross-over of tape</li> </ul>
C-Spine		
Aspen	<ul> <li>Cervical injury where motion restriction is required</li> <li>Sized Infant- XL Adult.</li> <li>Tall and short options available</li> </ul>	Please note we don't stock the vista brand. We do not need to adjust a dial.
Philly/ Philadelphia	<ul> <li>Cervical injury where motion restriction is required</li> </ul>	
Soft Collar	<ul> <li>Cervical injury where additional support is required for comfort.</li> <li>Does not restrict movement.</li> </ul>	

## Cervical collars can be challenging to fit. It is imperative if you are unsure how to fit a c-collar please seek advice from a senior colleague.

## **Orthotics and Slings**



		Child Health		
Device	Indication	Sizing and Fitting		
Moonboot	<ul> <li>NWB sprained ankle</li> <li>Avulsion fractures of the ankle</li> <li>Non-displaced distal single bone fractures of the lower leg</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Measure the length of the sole of the foot- half tear paper to mark. Measure from the heel to the popliteal fossa and tear off tape</li> <li>Undo the velcro straps and remove sock. (leave pleastic sleeves on velcro).</li> <li>Fit 'sock' to injured limb</li> <li>Pull open the rigid arms with the plastic sleeves and place socked foot into boot with heel as far back as possible</li> <li>Secure the straps</li> </ul>		
Darco Shoe	<ul><li>Foot fractures</li><li>Toe injuries</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Measure the length of the sole of the foot, or ask the patient's shoe size</li> <li>Open velcro straps and place the injured foot into the shoe with the foot as you would a shoe</li> </ul>		
Zimmer Splint (Knee brace)	<ul> <li>Knee injuries requiring management in extension</li> <li>Soft tissue injuries requiring sutures over the knee or calf</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Remove medial metal bar</li> <li>Apply soffban and crepe from thigh to Achilles and affix with brown tape</li> <li>Split should run from mid thigh to mid calf</li> <li>Stick to the splint where it will sit behind the knee</li> <li>Place leg in splint and secure straps closest to knee first</li> </ul>		
Sling	Indication	Instruction and Links.		
Broad arm sling (BAS)	Ensure a comfortable pad is applied between the knot of the sling and t	Used in the first 72hrs following cast application. Ensure a comfortable pad is applied as a cushion between the knot of the sling and the neck. May be the preferred sling for fiberglass casts.		
Collar and Cuff	Often more comfortable than a BAS, <b>and able to be</b> <b>applied to a dry cast.</b> May also be used as primary immobilization in humeral and clavicle fractures.			
Poly-sling	Typically used for longer-term immobilization. May be useful for fiberglass casts- as the fiberglass can be abrasive on clothing and skin. May also be used in shoulder and clavicle injuries.			