This protocol is for trained CIP Paramedics only. If during assessment, procedure, or treatment the patient is found to have a medical emergency in need of hospital treatment, the CIP visit will be suspended, and local MCA protocols utilized.

Purpose: To provide additional guidelines beyond the CIP General Assessment and Care for evaluating, caring for and educating patients with post orthopedic surgical interventions.

1. Follow CIP Patient General Assessment and Care protocol
2. Obtain additional vital signs, history, and diagnostics pertinent to condition and/or as ordered by physician which may include:
	1. Vitals/physical examination
		1. Wound evaluation (redness, unexpected drainage, streaking)
		2. Pulse, motor, sensation evaluation
		3. Durable Medical Equipment (DME) use
	2. History:
		1. DME access and use
		2. Activities of Daily Living (ADL) education and compliance
3. On-scene medication administration may include:
	1. Use of approved MCA protocols and medications up to the extent of standard paramedic treatment according to protocol.
	2. Assist with patient’s prescribed home medications that are not included in standard EMS treatment protocols
4. On-scene interventions and additional care may include:
	1. [x]  Suture Removal see CIP Suture Removal protocol (optional)
	2. [x]  Wound Care see CIP Wound Care protocol (optional)
5. On-scene education and suggested support sources may include:
	1. ADL assistance