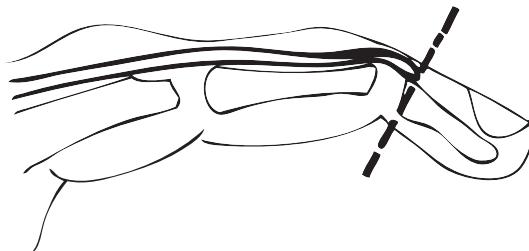
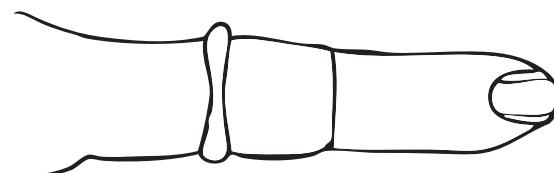


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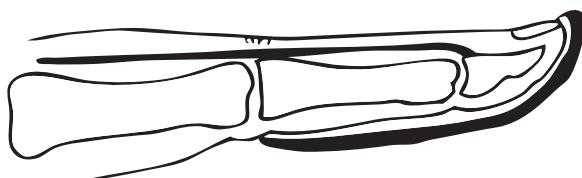
Mallet Splint Instructions



You have a condition known as a **“Mallet Finger”**. You have torn the extensor Tendon (Guider) that straightens the end joint of the finger.

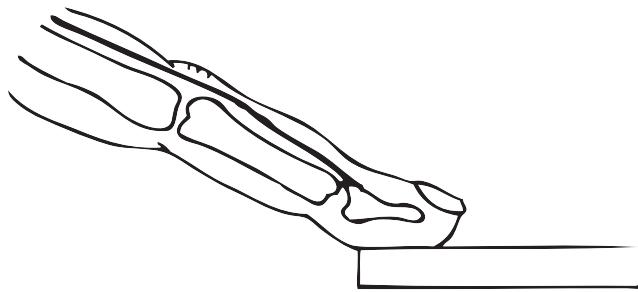


The tendon will heal without an operation providing you wear a splint **continuously** as advised by the doctor, usually for 6-8 weeks.



The splint holds the joint in slight hyperextension (the tip of the finger is pushed slightly upwards.)

Keep finger tip up



If for any reason you have to remove the splint e.g. Your finger has got wet or dirty, press the tip of your finger on the table while you remove and replace the splint.



You must keep the tip of the "Mallet Finger" up by using the thumb of the same hand to support it while you wash and dry the finger. Do not let the tip bend at any time or all the good work done by the splint will be undone, and the 'droop' of the finger may become permanent.

If you have any problems with the splint or with your finger e.g. Swelling, increased pain, numbness or tingling, it may be that the tape is too tight. If loosening of the tape brings no relief then please ring the Treatment Room.

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