

## **Thumb Spica**

- A Thumb Spica is a brace worn to help reduce motion in the Carpal Metacarpal Joint.
- The device is made of plastic that is molded or modified fit to your thumb.
- These braces are usually worn over a cotton liner, but may be worn next to the skin.
- Always follow specific instructions given to you by your doctor and practitioner.



## What does it do?

Depending on your condition the brace may be designed to:

- Offer external support to your thumb.
- Reduce motion at the base of your thumb to decrease pain.

## **Precautions**

Prior to wearing the brace, it is important to check the following things on the brace and your skin:

- Make sure the brace is *clean and dry*.
- Make sure there are no cracks, rough edges, or worn areas on the brace.
- Make sure your skin is *clean and dry*.
- Examine your skin and look for abnormal redness, blisters, or sores at least 1 time a day.
- This device is designed to be worn with a cotton liner, but may be worn next to the skin.
- If wearing a cotton liner, make sure it is wrinkle-free.
- Wash your hand daily.
- Clean your device with a damp cloth or alcohol wipe.
- \*\* If you find any areas of concern or have questions, contact your practitioner before wearing the brace.

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