

# Open Anterior Capsular Shift or Bankart Repair Post-Surgical Rehabilitation Protocol (subscapularis involvement)

# **BICEPS TENODESIS PRECAUTIONS:**

1. No Resisted elbow flexion for 8 weeks

2. No Resisted shoulder flexion for 8 weeks

Only follow if checked

# I. Phase I – Protection Phase (Week 0-6)

Goals: Protect surgical site

Initiate ROM to prevent adhesions and increase circulation Initiate muscle contraction to enhance dynamic stability Decrease pain/inflammation

## General considerations:

- 1. Wear immobilizer / sling for 4–6 weeks including sleep
- 2. No overhead activities for 4-6 weeks
- 3. No active / resisted IR until 6 weeks
- 4. No active or passive extension for 4 6 weeks

## A. Week 0-2

- 1. Pendulum exercises (gentle: goal is not motion)
- 2. PROM / AAROM
  - a. Pulley or supine stretching
    - 1. Shoulder flexion to 90°
    - 2. ER (at 20° ABD) to 30°
    - 3. Passive IR in scapular plane to tolerance
    - 4. ABD to 60° (in scapular plane)
  - b. Cane exercises
    - 1. ER to 20° in scapular plane
    - 2. Shoulder flexion to 90°
- 3. Wrist, elbow, and cervical spine AROM
- 4. Submaximal isometrics at 0° ABD with towel roll Shoulder ER, Ext., flex, and ABD (**IR at week 6**)
- 5. Grip and wrist strength
- 6. Scapular retractions and depression
- 7. Cryotherapy



#### B. Week 3 - 4

Goals: Gradually increase ROM and strength Normalize arthrokinematics and scapulohumeral rhythm Decrease pain and inflammation

#### 1. PROM and AAROM

- a. Shoulder flexion to tolerance 120° to 140°
- b. ER to 45° in scapular plane
- c. Passive IR to 60° in scapular plane
- d. Shoulder horizontal adduction (gentle)
- 2. AAROM (Cane and pulley exercises within ROM limits)
- 3. Supine active flexion
- 4. Gentle joint mobilization (GH, SC, and scapulothoracic)
- 5. Theraband ER at 0° of ABD (**IR starts at week 6**)
- 6. Multi-angle isometrics progressive resistance
- 7. Scapular strengthening (seated rows) and PNF
- 8. General conditioning (CV, trunk, and LE's)
- 9. Cryotherapy and modalities as needed

## C. Week 5 - 6

- PROM and AAROM
  - a. Shoulder flexion to 160° by week 6
  - b. Shoulder extension to 30° by week 6
  - c. ER to 60° and IR to 75° by week 6
  - d. ER/IR at 90° ABD to tolerance
- 2. Standing AROM for flexion and scaption (avoid shoulder hiking)
- 3. Upper body ergometer (UBE) no resistance
- 4. Posterior capsular stretching
- 5. Grade II and III joint mobilizations posterior and inferior
- 6. Closed Kinetic Chain exercises (prone on elbows, quadruped, etc)
- 7. Begin theraband ER at 0° ABD
- 8. Initiate light resistance isotonics
  - a. Biceps / triceps
  - b. Prone Rowing and extension (to neutral)
  - c. Serratus punches

## II. Phase II – Intermediate Phase (Week 6-12)

## Goals: Full non-painful ROM by week 10

Normalize arthrokinematics Increase strength Improve neuromuscular control Begin active and resistive IR



#### A. Week 6 - 8

- 1. AROM/PROM progress to full ROM by week 10:
- 2. Continue joint mobilizations and capsular stretches
- 3. Isotonic dumbbell program

Supine and Sidelying IR/ER, Shoulder ABD, Shoulder shrugs, Biceps/triceps, Serratus punches

- 4. Supine IR/ER theraband up to 60° ABD
- 5. Rhythmic stabilization for IR/ER at 45° ABD
- 6. Supraspinatus (progress from full can to empty can)
- 7. PNF D2 diagonals with isometric holds (gentle)
- 8. UBE

# B. Week 9 -12

- 1. Continue all above exercises
- 2. Prone extension, lower trap, and horizontal ABD (thumb up and down)
- 3. Aggressive stretching and joint mobilization, if needed
- 4. PNF progress from manual resistance to theraband
- 5. Push-up (plus) progression (wall, counter, table, knees) (week 10)
- 6. Latissimus pulldowns in front of body
- 7. Bodyblade (start with arm down by side)
- 8. Double hand plyometrics (chest pass **light resistance**)

# III. Advanced Strengthening Phase (Week 12-20)

## A. Week 12 – 16

- 1. Continue self capsular stretches
- 2. Theraband IR/ER in 90/90 position (slow and fast)
- 3. Continue all isotonic strengthening
- 4. Progress to floor push-ups (plus) with BOSU
- 5. Progress neuromuscular control exercises
- 6. One hand plyometrics (ball toss, ball on wall)

## B. Week 16 -20

- 1. Continue all above exercises
- 2. Initiate interval sports program
- 3. Progress plyometrics
  - a. ER and IR at 90° ABD
  - b. D2 extension plyometrics
  - c. Biceps plyometrics
- 4. Eccentric exercises
  - a. Plyoball
  - b. Deceleration tosses
  - c. Theraband
- 5. Shoulder and bench press
  - a. Don't allow elbow to extend past plane of thorax

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