

# Arthroscopic Posterior Capsular Shift/Plication and Labral Repair Post-Operative Rehabilitation Protocol

There is no subscapularis involvement

# **BICEPS TENODESIS PRECAUTIONS:**

- 1. No Resisted elbow flexion for 8 weeks
- 2. No Resisted shoulder flexion for 8 weeks
- 3. No Lifting of anything over 1 to 2 pounds for 8 weeks.

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

Goals: Protect surgical site

Only

follow if

checked

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

### General considerations:

- 1. Wear sling for 4-6 weeks and sleep in immobilizer for 4 weeks
- 2. No overhead activities for 4 weeks
- 3. No active or passive extension for 4 weeks
- 4. No internal rotation PROM
- 5. Avoid passive flexion greater than 90 degrees for 4 weeks
- 6. Provide support during flexion to prevent gravity assisted posterior humeral head translation (perform PROM in S/L or prone)

# A. Week 0 - 2

- 1. PROM / AAROM (No IR)
  - a. Shoulder flexion in Prone or Side-lying to 90 degrees\*\*\*
    \*Be sure to support so humeral head does not stress posterior capsule
  - b. ER (at 20° ABD) to 45°
- 2. Wrist, elbow, and cervical spine AROM
- 3. Grip and wrist strength
- 4. Submaximal isometrics at 0° ABD with towel roll Shoulder ER, IR, Ext., flex, and ABD (with humerus in neutral position)
- 5. Scapular retractions and depression (**no extension**)
- 6. Cryotherapy

# B. Week 3-4

- 1. PROM and AAROM (**No IR**)
  - a. Shoulder flexion in prone or side-lying to <u>90 degrees</u>\*\*\*
    \*Be sure to support so humeral head does not stress posterior capsule



#### PROM and AAROM

- b. ER to 60° in scapular plane
- c. Shoulder horizontal ABD/ADD (gentle)
- 2. AAROM (Cane and pulley exercises within ROM limits)
- 3. Scapular retractions and depression
- 4. Gentle joint mobilization (GH, SC, and scapulothoracic)
- 5. Multi-angle isometrics progressive resistance
- 6. Scapular PNF
- 7. AROM: IR/ER within patient limits (week 3)
- 8. Cryotherapy and modalities as needed

## C. Week 5-6

- 1. PROM and AAROM
  - a. Shoulder flexion to 130 starting at week 5 (160° by week 6)
  - b. Shoulder extension to 30° by week 6
  - c. ER to tolerance
  - d. IR to  $60^{\circ}$  at week 5 / IR to tolerance at 6 weeks (Not before)
  - e. ER at  $90^{\circ}$  ABD to tolerance  $(60^{\circ}-80^{\circ})$
- 2. AROM: Standing flexion and ABD to tolerance (no hiking)
- 3. Theraband IR/ER at 0° ABD
- 4. Supraspinatus progress full can within ROM limits
- 5. Closed kinetic chain exercises (prone on elbows, quadruped, etc.)
- 6. Upper body ergometer (UBE) light resistance
- 7. Posterior capsular stretching (gentle)
- 8. Grade II and III joint mobilizations posterior and inferior
- 9. Progress stabilization and neuromuscular control exercises
- 10. Initiate light resistance isotonics
  - a. Biceps / triceps
  - b. Punches
  - c. Prone Rowing and extension (to neutral)

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

Goals: Full non-painful ROM by week 8

Normalize arthrokinematics

Increase strength and neuromuscular control

#### A. Week 6-8

- 1. AAROM/PROM progress to full ROM by week 8:
  - a. ER at 90° ABD to 90 100°
  - b. IR at  $90^{\circ}$  ABD to  $70 75^{\circ}$
- 2. Continue joint mobilizations and capsular stretches



- 3. Isotonic dumbbell program
  - Supine and Sidelying IR/ER, Shoulder ABD, Biceps/triceps, Serratus punches
- 4. Supine IR/ER theraband up to 90 degrees ABD
- 5. Rhythmic stabilization for IR/ER at 45° ABD
- 6. PNF D2 diagonals light manual resistance
- 7. UBE with higher resistance
- 8. Push-up (plus) progression (wall, counter, table, knees) (elbow to thorax)
- 9. Quadruped rhythmic stabilization
- 10. Prone ER with 90 degrees ABD and 90 degrees elbow flex
- 11. Bodyblade (start with arm down by side)

#### B. Week 9 -12

- 1. Full AROM
- 2. Continue all above exercises
- 3. Prone extension, lower trap, and horizontal ABD (thumb up and down)
- 4. Aggressive stretching and joint mobilization, if needed
- 5. Double hand plyometrics (chest, overhead, and diagonals) (10 wks)
- 6. Latissimus pulldowns in front of body
- 7. Progress to one hand plyometrics (ball toss, ball on wall) (close to 12 wks)
- 8. PNF progress from manual resistance to the raband

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

## A. Week 12 – 16

- 1. Continue self capsular stretches
- 2. Theraband IR/ER in 90/90 position (fast)
- 3. Continue all isotonic strengthening
- 4. Progress to floor push-ups (plus) with BOSU
- 5. Progress neuromuscular control exercises
- 6. Throwing into plyoback (1#)

#### 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. Plyoball and Deceleration tosses
- 4. Bench press (do not allow arm below the body)