

## **ARTHROSCOPIC BANKART REPAIR REHABILITATION PROTOCOL**

(SEE CAPSULORRAPHY PROTOCOL FOR POSTERIOR BANKART)

### **Week 0 - 4**

- Shoulder sling and swathe full time day and night.
- May have sling and swathe off four times daily for active hand, wrist, and elbow ROM.
- May shower out of sling with surgeon's ok.
- Isometrics all planes to maintain shoulder muscle tone (include scapular stabilization).

### **Week 5 - 6**

- Initiate AROM in all planes as tolerated beginning week five.
- Gentle progressive stretches in all planes except ABD / ER.
- AVOID Abduction/external rotation combination for eight weeks to protect the Anterior Inferior Glenohumeral Ligament Complex.
- Isometrics all planes
- GOAL:
  - Elevation: 140
  - ER: 40

### **Week 7 - 12**

- ROM with terminal stretches all planes EXCEPT terminal abduction – external rotation.
- Initiate pulley and cane for home program if ROM is progressing slowly.
- ROM GOAL: Full (equal to opposite side) by 12 weeks post op.
- Begin gentle PRE's that will not stress the repair (i.e. ER to neutral)
- May lift 5 lbs. in all planes

### **Week 12 - 16**

- Progress PRE program with free weights or Theraband within limits of motion.
- Avoid bench press, flies, military press etc. with position of abduction-external rotation.
- May begin light jogging but no sprinting nor running.
- NO SPORTS
- May lift 10 lbs. in all planes

## **Month 4 - 6**

- Return to sports with surgeon's ok depending on strength, ROM, and security of repair. Contact sports 6 months at the earliest.
- Return is gauged on a case-by-case basis. Most patients allowed full return to sports by 4 -6 months.
- Throwing sports: begin short toss at 4 months, medium toss at 5 months, long toss advance to throwing beginning at 6 months.
- Racket sports: baseline only, underhand at 4 months. Serving and overheads at 6 months.

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