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## **<u>REHAB PROTOCOL</u>**: Latarjet Surgery (Coracoid Process Transfer)

Name:

Date:

Diagnosis:

Date of Surgery:

### Phase I (Protection phase): Weeks 1-6

#### **Precautions:**

- AVOID lifting objects with operative arm
- **AVOID** provocative position: combined abduction and external rotation, combined extension and external rotation
- Follow the ROM restrictions with no end range passive stretching
- NO Upper Body Ergometer, Handweights, Body Blade or Therabands

#### Immobilization

- Sling for 4 weeks. Wean off after 4 weeks
- Wear sling at all times including night except when doing therapy, shower, or changing

#### **Exercises guidelines**

- PROM to start a week after surgery
  - Restrict motion to 9deg PFE, 20deg PER at side for first 3 weeks
  - Restrict motion to 13deg PFE, 4deg PER at side for 3-6 weeks
- Scapular exercises: Scapular elevation, depression, protraction and retraction
- Hand and wrist: AROM exercises
- Elbow: Avoid active ROM of elbow for first 8 weeks-protect the repair (conjoint tendon attached to bone piece)
- Submaximal isometrics for rotator cuff in sling starting at 6 weeks

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# Phase II (Active range of motion) Weeks 6-12

### **Precautions:**

- Avoid lifting heavy objects with operative arm
- AVOID provocative position: Abduction and external rotation of operative shoulder
- NO Upper Body Ergometer, Handweights, Body Blade or Therabands
- NO end range stretching
- Avoid activities that place a lot of stress on anterior capsulolabral structures: Push ups, military press, pec flys, bench press

# **Exercises guidelines**

- Start AROM and increase PROM
  - Restrict passive motion to 150deg PFF/ 45deg PER at side /90 degree abduction by 8 weeks and advance to full motion by 12 weeks
  - Restrict active motion to 110deg by 8 weeks and 150∞ by 10 weeks and full active ROM by 12 weeks
- Strengthening (isometrics/light bands) within AROM limitations and arm at side initially and slowly advance to horizontal abduction exercises
- Strengthening scapular stabilizers (Latissimus dorsi, Trapezius, Rhomboids)

# Phase III (Advanced Strengthening phase) 3 months and beyond

## Precautions

- Prevent reinjury
- Avoid contact sports till 6 months

# **Exercise Guidelines**

- Full AROM, end range stretching
- Only do strengthening 3x/week to avoid rotator cuff tendonitis
- Begin eccentrically resisted motions, plyometrics, proprioception and closed chain exercises at 12 weeks.
- Begin sports related rehab at 3-4 months, including advanced conditioning
- Interval sports program at 4 months (return to golf, tennis, basketball, volleyball)
- Return to throwing at 4 months
- Throw from pitcher's mound at 6 months

# Modalities

♦ Heat and Ice



- ♦ Ultrasound
- ♦ Iontophoresis
- ♦ Phonophoresis
- ♦ Therapists' discretion
- ♦ TENS
- ♦ Trigger point massage

#### **Evaluation and others**

♦ Teach home exercise program

#### **Comments:**

Frequency: <u>2</u> times per week

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Duration: <u>12</u> weeks

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