

Arthroscopic Shoulder Rehabilitation Phase I (1-3 weeks post-op)

Goal:

- Maintain integrity of the repair
- Initiate safe and gradual passive range of motion
- Initiate sub maximal isometric exercises
- Diminish pain and inflammation
- Decrease muscle tightness and spasms

Precautions:

- No lifting of objects
- No functional use of affected hand
- No driving
- Minimal computer work 15-20 minutes no greater than 2 hours total (AFFECTED arm must be in sling)

Sling: All diagnoses below are required to wear sling x 4 weeks post-op unless specified

- Rotator Cuff Tear Partial (small to medium)
- Rotator cuff tear Large or Complete
- Capsulolabral reconstruction
- SLAP repair
- PASTA Repairs

RANGE OF MOTION

10 days post-op: All above procedures Flexion and Scaption to 90 Pulleys, and non-swinging pendulums

STRENGTH:

All procedures begin @ 3 weeks post-op sub-max isometrics 1-2x 10 reps: flex, ext, ER IR, and ABD (except for massive rotator cuff tears)

THERAPIST:

- Initial evaluation
- PROM in Flexion, Scaption, and ABDuction and gentle short range IR/ER @ 0 of ABD
- Soft tissue mobilization to upper, mid and lower trap
- Decrease pain modalities

Activities:

No functional use of the involved arm

RESULTS PHYSICAL THERAPY OF CARMICHAEL

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Standing Pulley Flexion



Pulley Scaption "V"



Pulley External Rotation



Pulley Flexion



Pulley Scaption "V"



Pendulum

SUB-MAXIMAL ISOMETRICS

Directions: perform 1-2x/day 2 sets x 10-12 reps

Push very lightly against the wall hold for 2-3 seconds



Flexion



Abduction



External Rotation



Internal Rotation