

# ANTERIOR SHOULDER STABILIZATION

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# 0-2 WEEKS POSTOP (no formal therapy):

## GOALS:

- To protect the repair
- Patient to be compliant with prescribed activity modification, precautions, and home exercise program to allow for proper healing of repaired tissue.
- Promote healing and wound closure without infection.

## SLING:

• Shoulder immobilizer with pillow worn continuously, except for hygiene

#### EXERCISES:

• Initiate elbow, forearm, wrist ROM, grip strengthening allowed

## **PRECAUTIONS:**

• No shoulder ROM

# 2-6 WEEKS POSTOP:

## SLING:

• Shoulder immobilizer with pillow worn continuously, except for hygiene and exercises. May discontinue at 6 weeks.

## **EXERCISES:**

- Initiate PROM and AAROM
  - 2 weeks: Flexion to 90, ER to neutral with arm at side
  - 4-6 weeks: Flexion to 120, ER to 20, abduction to 90
- Initiate isometrics to RTC but NOT for ER or IR
  - Week 4: isometrics to scapular stabilizers while in sling

#### **PRECAUTIONS:**

- No combined abduction and ER
- No IR or ER isometrics

# 6-12 WEEKS POSTOP:

## SLING:

• May discontinue at 6 weeks.



#### **EXERCISES:**

- Progress PROM to full range
- Begin AROM in all planes
- Isometrics in all directions
- Clear for joint mobilization (no anterior glides)
- Clear for isotonic strengthening at 8 weeks

#### **PRECAUTIONS:**

• Respect pain, no anterior stress

## 12+ WEEKS POSTOP: No restrictions, progress as tolerated