PHYSICAL THERAPY PRESCRIPTION

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PATIENT STICKER

DATE OF SURGERY:	
DIAGNOSIS: (LEFT/RIGHT) ARTHROSCOPIC LABR	AL REPAIR (ANTERIOR – POSTERIOR – SLAP)
AND/OR SHOULDER STABILIZATION (ANTERIOR –	POSTERIOR)

ARTHROSCOPIC SHOULDER SURGERY PHYSICAL THERAPY PRESCRIPTION
PHASE I (0-4 WEEKS POST-OP):
Immobilization for 4-6 weeks
Elbow Active/Active-Assisted ROM: Flexion and Extension
Protect Anterior Capsule from stretch. Limit ER to neutral, Passive FE in Scapular plane to 90
degrees only
Deltoid isometrics
Hand, Wrist, Gripping exercises
Modalities, Cryocuff / Ice, prn
PHASE II (4-6 WEEKS POST-OP):
At 4-6 weeks Passive ROM: pulley for Flexion, Pendulum exercises
Pool exercises: Active/Active-Assisted ROM Flexion, Extension, Horizontal ADD,
Elbow Flexion and Extension
Deltoid isometrics
Lightly resisted Elbow Flexion
Continue with Wrist exercises
Modalities as needed
Discontinue sling @ 4-6 weeks
PHASE III (6-12 WEEKS POST-OP):
At 6-10 weeks, gradual Active/Active-Assisted/Passive ROM to improve ER with arm at side
(limit to 30 degrees ER)
Progress Flexion to 160 degrees

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PHASE III CONTINUED

At 10-12 weeks, gradual Active/Active-Assisted/Passive ROM to improve ER with arm in 45 degr
ABD
Pool exercises: Active ROM in all directions below Horizontal, light resisted motions in all planes
AROM activities to restore Flexion, IR Horizontal ADD
Deltoid, Rotator Cuff isometrics progressing to isotonics
PRE's for Scapular muscles, Latissimus, Biceps, and Triceps
PRE's working Rotators in isolation (use modified neutral)
Joint mobilization (posterior glides)
Emphasize posterior cuff, Latissimus, and Scapular muscle strengthening, stressing eccentrics
Utilize exercise arcs that protect anterior capsule from stress during PRE's
KEEP ALL STRENGTH EXERCISES BELOW THE HORIZONTAL PLANE IN THIS PHASE
PHASE IV (12-16 WEEKS POST-OP):
Active ROM activities to restore full ROM
Restore scapulohumeral rhythm
Joint mobilization
Aggressive scapular stabilization and eccentric strengthening program
PRE's for all upper quarter musculature (begin to integrate upper extremity patterns)
Continue to emphasize eccentrics and glenohumeral stabilization
All PRE's are below the horizontal plane for non-throwers
Begin isokinetics
Begin muscle endurance activities (UBE)
Continue with agility exercises
Advanced functional exercises
Isokinetic test
Functional test assessment
Full return to sporting activities when strength and motion are 90-95% normal.
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION / INSTRUCTIONS:
Treatment: times per week Duration: weeks
Physician's Signature:
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