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Slap Tear Protocol For Types II And IV Protocol

WEEKS 1-2

- -Passive and Active assisted ROM only
- -ROM limitation:
 - -Passive flexion to 90 degrees
 - -External rotation 0-15 degrees by week 1; 0-30 degrees by week 2
 - -Internal rotation as tolerated in the scapular plane
 - -Assisted elbow flexion and extension in standing
 - -Active finger, wrist and radial ulna

GOALS: Protect surgical repair, initiate ROM, and prevent adhesions, decrease pain and inflammation

WEEK 3

Passive and active assisted ROM limitations
-flexion to full elevation
-Abduction to 130 degrees
-External rotation to 35 degrees
-Internal rotation to full range by week 6

GOALS: Gradual increase in ROM and pain control

WEEKS 4-6

Strength

-Initiate isometrics -Progress to IR/ER to neutral with tubing -Initiate forward flexion, scaption and empty can -Initiate side lying ER and triceps strengthening -Push up progression -Serratus anterior strengthening -Scapular retraction with resistance -Initiate light bicep curls by week 5

GOALS: Gradual increase in ROM and enhanced upper extremity strength

WEEKS 6-12

Range of Motion

- -Continue all ROM activities previously prescribed
- -Posterior capsule stretching
- -Towel stretch for IR
- -Rope/pulley/wand activities
- -Manual stretching

Strength

- -Continue all strengthening from previously prescribed
- -Increase resistance and repetitions
- -Initiate 2 handed ball toss activities
- -Initiate PNF patterns with theraband
- -Initiate IR/ER exercises in 90 degrees abduction

GOALS: Full ROM, improved strength



WEEKS 12-24

Range of Motion

-Continue all appropriate ROM previously prescribed -Joint mobs as needed for full ROM

Strength

-Progress strengthening program with increase in resistance and high speed repetition

-Initiate single arm toss

-Initiate sports specific drills and functional tasks

-Initiate interval throwing program week 16

-Initiate weight training; Military press, bench press and lat pull downs

GOALS: Full ROM, initiate sports specific training/functional training

This protocol provides the rehabilitation specialist with general guidelines for the rehabilitation of the patient undergoing a SLAP repair.

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