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Suggested Interventions:

Passive & Active assisted ROM¹⁰

Recommended precautions:

FF in scapular plane (wall slides⁸ wand exercises, pulleys)¹¹ ER (gentle beyond 30° to respect subscapularis healing)

FF AROM in supine

Manually resisted scapular side-lying stabilization exercises¹² Initiate PNF patterning supported such as wall slides¹³

Isometrics:

Deltoid in neutral

ER (modified neutral) ROM < 30°

IR (modified neutral)

Aerobic conditioning including UBE⁷

Optimizing Functional Range of Motion/Early Strengthening Phase 3 (Approximately Weeks 10-16)

Milestone to advance to next phase: Axioscapular muscle strength grades 4/5 MMT

Optimal scapulohumeral rhythm to 90\$ E/E 2atib 04 Tf1 0 0 1 439.54 473.35

Minimal pain and inflammation with application of the

soreness rules¹⁴ for intensity of exercise

Suggested Interventions

Progress ROM as tolerated¹¹

Uniplanar flexibility exercises into extension and internal rotation

PNF patterning

Recommended precaution: in supine or supported until week 12¹⁵

Isotonic strengthening:

Emphasis on axioscapular muscles (scapular rows¹⁶)

Continued attention to humeral head control and scapulohumeral rhythm with as load

progresses

Return to Full Function Phase 4 (Approximately Weeks 16 to Discharge)

Milestone to discharge: Optimal

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