



Anterior Shoulder Stabilization Procedure (Labrum repair/latarjet ect) Dr. Sal Frangiamore

** Please keep in mind, these are guidelines only. Other than specifics regarding slingwear and specific limitations, I trust your expertise to provide the best treatment strategy for my patients** if there are any questions don't hesitate to contact, myself or my team

**Progression through this guideline is time dependent on soft tissue healing as well as criterion-based concerning patient demographics and clinical assessment. Please refer to the surgical note for information regarding each procedure.

Remplissage Guidelines: Arthroscopic procedure used to "fill-in" a Hill-Sachs lesion with the posterior capsule and infraspinatus. This procedure should be treated like small posterior rotator cuff repair repair

- No active external rotation strengthening for 8 weeks, can work on active ROM 6 weeks
- No internal rotation or cross-body stretching for 6 weeks
- No pushing motions

Latarjet Guidelines: This is an open procedure used to treat recurrent shoulder dislocations that are a consequence of bone loss and/or a fracture of the glenoid. The coracoid is used as a bony block on the glenoid and the conjoint tendon and lower subscapularis are used as a sling to counteract ligamentous instability.

- Review surgical protocol and determine if the subscapularis is split or taken down See subscapularis precautions if taken down. (typically it is split unless specified and subscapularis precautions do NOT need followed)
- No anterior joint mobilizations
- Joint mobilizations above a grade 1 can start at week 6
- It is common to lose terminal ER even toward the end of rehab (never force this motion)

Subscapularis Precautions: Please refer to if repair of subscapularis performed

- No ER past 30 degrees for 6 weeks
- No cross-body adduction for 6 weeks
- No active IR or IR behind the back for 6-8 weeks
- No weight bearing through UE or supporting arm for 6-8 weeks

Weeks 0-4 (no PT)

Use of sling for 4 weeks – work on pendulums, elbow, wrist and hand ROM, PT to start after 4 weeks





Phase 1: Protection (4-7 weeks) GOALS:

- Maximally protect the surgical repair (capsule, ligaments, labrum, suture anchors)
- Achieve staged ROM goals- do NOT significantly exceed
- Patient education on postoperative restrictions
- Minimize shoulder pain & inflammatory response
- Ensure adequate scapular function

PRECAUTIONS:

- Sling use for 4 weeks including sleeping DO NOT START PT until PO week 4
- Limit use of UE, stay within staged ROM goals, and avoid lifting with arm.

Phase 2: Intermediate (7-12 weeks) GOALS:

- Achieve staged ROM goals- do NOT significantly exceed
- Minimize shoulder pain
- Begin to increase strength & endurance
- Increase functional activities

PRECAUTIONS:

- Do not perform stretching beyond staged ROM
- Avoid terminal ER stretching at 90 degrees abd unless significant tightness present
- Do not perform strengthening that places a large load in the position of horizontal abduction and ER
- Do not perform scaption with internal rotation (empty can position)

Phase 3: Advanced Activity (12-16+ weeks) GOALS:

- Normalize strength, endurance, neuromuscular control, and power
- Gradual and planned build-up of stress to anterior capsulolabral tissues
- Gradual return to full ADLs, work, and recreation

PRECAUTIONS:

- Do not increase stress to shoulder in a short period or uncontrolled manner
- Do not progress into activity-specific training until full ROM and strength are achieved
- Avoid weight lifting exercises that place stress to anterior capsule (e.g. lat pulldowns behind the head, tricep dips)
- If patient does not perform velocity dependent tasks during work/sport/ADLs do not perform plyometrics



CRITERIA FOR PLYOMETRIC TRAINING

- 1. Adequate strength of scapular stabilizers & rotator cuff: MMT 4+/5 (70-80% bilateral comparison with handheld dynamometer)
- 2. Involved extremity ER to IR ratio >66% (isokinetic or handheld dynamometry testing)
- 3. Pain-free ADLs and with previous strengthening
- 4. Minimum 3 weeks of multi-plane activity at increased speed of movement

MILESTONES TO INITIATE INTERVAL PROGRESSION PROGRAMS (e.g. throwing)

- 1. Muscular strength >80% bilateral comparison for rotator cuff & scapular stabilizers
- 2. Involved extremity ER to IR ratio >75% (isokinetic or handheld dynamometry testing)
- 3. Full functional ROM with appropriate scapulohumeral rhythm (overhead athlete see appendix)
- 4. Able to complete an UE plyometric progression program