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Biceps Tenodesis Guidelines

Post Op Time:	Exercise Progression
Day 4 – Week 1	■ Instruct in wound/incision care
	Remain in sling
	■ PROM all planes as tolerated (no active bicep x 4 weeks)
	■ Instruct in HEP: ball squeezes, PROM shoulder and elbow and AROM
	wrist & hand
	Begin scapular mobility & stabilization
Week 2	 Continue progressive PROM and AAROM
	 progress scapular isometrics
Week 3	 Progress AAROM and AROM
	Goal full PROM @ elbow WNL
Weeks 4-5	• Wean out of sling at 4 weeks
	 Progress shoulder to AROM as tolerated all planes
	Active elbow ROM with no resistance
	 Progress isometric, active motion, no lifting/pushing/pulling
	Posterior shoulder capsular stretching
	Goal GH PROM WNL 4 weeks
Weeks 6-7	Begin Shoulder AROM as tolerated all planes
	■ Instruct in proper GH rhythm
	■ PRE's without weight: flex, scaption, AB, SL ER/IR, SA, prone rows;
	begin TB IR/ER & ext. @ week 7
	Goal GH AROM WNL wk 6
Weeks 8-10	Begin adding weights/resistance (<2lbs until wk. 10) & UBE
	Progress to loaded bicep strengthening including resisted supination
Weeks 10-12	Begin weight machines: lat pulls, rows, rear delt, middle delt
	 Continue to progress strengthening with free wts.
3 Month–4 Month	Begin functional or sport specific exercise (golf, tennis, throwing
	programs)
	Should have NL and consistent GH rhythm
4 months	■ D/C when able to return to ADLs, work, sports @ full strength, pain free