



***S.L.A.P. REPAIR
POSTOPERATIVE PROTOCOL***

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Sling (except during PT and washing):

Sling x 2 weeks at all times, then 2 weeks during activities

Motion:

Week 0-2: Pendulum exercises, elbow/wrist/hand ROM

Week 2-4: Supine PROM: forward flexion to goal 180 as comfort allows
ER to 30 deg, IR as tolerated

Week 4-6: AAROM: forward flexion to 180
PROM: gentle ER to 50 deg

After wk 6: Full A/PROM as tolerated

Strengthening:

Week 2-3: Gentle isometrics in all planes with shoulder neutral ER/IR
Start stationary bike

Week 4-6: Side-lying ER, push-up progressions, scapula stabilizers
Start aquatherapy

Week 6-12: Push-ups, cuff/scapula strengthening as tolerated
Bicep curls
Start jogging/running/elliptical

After wk 12: Bench press, Lat pull-downs (narrow grip, hands in front)

If you have any questions, please contact our clinic.

Adapted courtesy of Dr. Tim McAdams.