

Chronic Triceps Reconstruction REHAB Protocol

Phase I (weeks 2-6)

- Patient fit with IROM elbow brace to be worn at all times except bathing. Brace locked at 45 degrees for 4 weeks.
- Passive extension, no elbow flexion

Phase II (weeks 6-12)

Precautions: No full elbow flexion stretch until 12 weeks post op

No active triceps strengthening

Elbow flexion PROM to progress as follows:

Week 6 - PROM to 75 flexion

Week 7 - PROM to 90

Week 8 - PROM to 110

Week 9 - PROM to 130 ... ETC

Full elbow extension achieved by approximately 12 weeks post op

Begin AROM bicep activity without resistance

Phase III (weeks 12-16)

Full elbow AROM and PROM should be achieved

- no active triceps resistance

Begin AROM bicep activity with light resistance

Open chain RTC strengthening can begin with light weights

Final Phase (weeks 16-6 months)

Goals for discharge: full strength of biceps, shoulder musculature

- Gradual weight/theraband resistance training for triceps
- Closed-chain and co-contraction shoulder strengthening
- Gradual introduction of throwing activities and plyometrics as authorized per MD.