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BICEP TENODESIS REHABILITATION PROTOCOL

	RANGE OF MOTION	SLING	EXERCISES
PHASE I 0-4 weeks	PROM as tolerated*	0-6 weeks: except for exercises and hygiene	0-2 weeks: wrist/hand ROM, pendulums, wall stretch at home per instruction sheets
			2-4 weeks: Grip strengthening, pulleys/canes, wrist/hand ROM, pendulums; closed chain scapula
			Deltoid cuff isometrics
			*Avoid active biceps until 6 wks
			Begin scapular protraction/retraction
PHASE II 4-8 weeks	Increase as tolerated to full	0-6 weeks: except for exercises and hygiene	Advance isometrics with arm at side, rotator cuff and deltoid
		6-8: no sling	Advance to therabands and dumbbells as tolerated, capsular stretching at end-ROM to maintain flexibility
			*Avoid active biceps until 6 wks
PHASE III 8-12 weeks	Progress to full without discomfort	None	Advance strength training as tolerated
			Begin eccentrically resisted motions and closed chain activities
			Advance to sport and full activity as tolerated after 12 weeks

^{*}If a distal clavicle excision is performed, horizontal adduction should be minimized until pain resolves