

Bonnie P. Gregory, MD ACROMIOPLASTY WITH OR WITHOUT DISTAL CLAVICLE RESECTION REHABILITATION PROTOCOL

	Range of Motion	Sling	Exercises/Strength
PHASE 1 Weeks 1-4	PROM → AAROM → AROM as tolerated ROM goals: 140° FF 40° ER at side With a distal clavicle resection, hold cross-body adduction until 8 weeks post-op; otherwise, all else is the same in this rehab program No abduction-rotation until 4-8 weeks post-op	Discontinue sling at 1-2 weeks post-op; sling only when sleeping if needed	No resisted motions until 4 weeks post-op
PHASE 2 Weeks 4-8	Increase AROM in all directions with passive stretching at end ranges to maintain shoulder flexibility Goals: 160° FF 60° ER at side	Discontinue sling totally if not done previously	Begin light isometrics with arm at side for rotator cuff and deltoid; can advance to bands as tolerated
PHASE 3 Weeks 8-12	If ROM lacking, increase to full with passive stretching at end ranges		Advance strengthening as tolerated: isometrics → bands → weights; 10 reps/1 set per rotator cuff, deltoid, and scapular stabilizers Only do strengthening 3x/week to avoid rotator cuff tendonitis Begin eccentrically resisted motions, plyometric, and closed chain exercises.

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