

Subscapularis Repair Protocol

General:

• Regular Sling for 6 weeks.

Phase 0 – Quiet

Week 0-3:

- No Shoulder Rehab
- No pendulums
- Elbow and Hand only

Phase 1 - Passive

Week 4-5:

- Pendulums to warm up
- Passive Range of motion
- Start Supine External Rotation- 0 degrees, then gradually progress, but limit ER to 30deg
- Supine Forward Elevation- 90 degrees
- No internal rotation

Phase 2 – Active

Week 6-10:

- Internal Rotation to belt line-gradually increase to Full
- Full elevation and gradually increase ER-limit ER progression to 30 deg
- Active Range of Motion with Passive Stretch to prescribed limits
- Supine to Start External Rotation-gradually increase to full
- Supine to Start Forward Elevation-Full-Progress to Seated
- Internal Rotation-gradually increase to full.

Phase 3 – Resisted

Week 11-12:

- Pendulums to warm-up and continue with Phase 2
- Scapular mobilization
- External and Internal Rotation
- Standing forward punch
- Scapular Mobilization-Seated rows and shoulder shrugs



Weight Training

Week 13:

- Keep hands within eyesight, keep elbows bent, no long lever arms.
- Minimize overhead activities (below shoulder)
- (No Military press, pull-down behind head, or wide grip bench)

Return to Activity

Computer 4 weeks

Golf 4 months (chipping and putting), 5-6 months (full swing)

Tennis 5 months