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PRE-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

Do not eat or drink for 8 hours before surgery. This includes chewing gum, candy and mints. No smoking or use of tobacco products.

✓ Stop all blood thinners 5 days prior to surgery, unless directed otherwise. This includes coumadin, aspirin, and anti-inflammatories.

✓ Stop all herbal supplements 1 week prior to surgery.

✓ Plan to spend approximately 6 hours at the surgical facility. This includes preoperative work up and post-operative recovery.

Arrange for someone to drive you home and stay with you through the night and for the first 24 hour after surgery.

✓ Set up your post-op appointment for 7-10 days after surgery by calling 913-652-6462 if you have not already done so.

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Shoulder Arthroscopy



POST-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

✓ Apply ice to the shoulder for 20 minutes on, 1 hour off. Do this for the first day. Apply ice as needed thereafter.

✓ Keep the dressing in place and dry for two (2) days.

On the 2nd day you may remove the dressing and apply a gauze sponge over the incisions with tape. **DO NOT** use antibiotic ointment on the incisions. You may get the incisions wet in the shower.

✓ Discontinue the sling once the block has worn off and all feeling to your arm has returned.

✓ Perform the range of motion exercises described in this packet as tolerated until you see Dr. Barnds.

✓ If you do not have a post-operative appointment already scheduled, call the office (913-652-6462) to schedule your follow-up appointment for approximately 7-10 days following surgery.

✓ Take the anti-inflammatory medication as prescribed to you.

Take the pain medication as needed.

Post-operative Exercises

1. PASSIVE PENDULUM EXERCISES

Bend forward 90 degrees at the waist, using a table for support. Rotate your arm in a circular pattern to move the arm clockwise 10 times, then counterclockwise 10 times. You may use your non-operative arm to guide the operative arm in the circular pattern. Let gravity and momentum provide the movement.



2. SHOULDER FLEXION (WALL WALKS)

While standing near a wall as shown, slowly "walk" your fingers up the wall until you feel a gently stretch. Hold for 10 seconds. Repeat 10 times, 3 times per day.



3. SHOULDER FLEXION

Lie on your back holding a stick in both hands, keeping your hands shoulder-width apart. Raise both hands over your head until you feel a gentle stretch. Hold for 10 seconds. Repeat 10 times, 3 times per day.



4. <u>SHOULDER FLEXION</u> Sit in a chair with your affected arm on a table as shown. Lean forward, sliding your arm forward on the table until you feel a gentle stretch. Hold for 5-10 seconds. Repeat 10 times, 3 times per day.

