Guidelines for Arthroscopic Bankart Repair

I. Early Protective Phase (0-5 weeks)

- a. Goals:
- Protect surgical procedure
- Educate patient on procedure and therapeutic progression
- Regulate pain and control inflammation
- Initiate range of motion and dynamic stabilization
- b. Treatment Plan (0-3weeks);
 - Sling Immobilization for 5 weeks;
 - Gripping exercises
 - Elbow, wrist and hand ROM
 - Pendulum exercises (weighted & unweighted)
 - PROM to AAROM
 - IR/ER proprioception training (controlled range)
 - Initiate gentle alternating isometrics for IR/ER in scapular plane
 - Initiate passive forward flexion to 90°
 - Initiate scapular mobility
- c. Treatment Plan (3-5 weeks);
 - ROM Progression
 - Forward flexion to 110° 130°
 - ER in scapular plane to 45°
 - IR in scapular plane to 60°
 - Progress sub-maximal alternating Isometrics for IR/ER in scapular plane
 - Initiate scapular strengthening
 - Manual scapula retraction
 - Resisted band retraction
 - No shoulder extension past trunk
 - Isometrics in all directions
 - Continue bicep/tricep strengthening
 - Initiate light band work for IR/ER
- d. Milestones for progression
 - Forward flexion to 110° -130°
 - ER in scapular plane to 45°
 - *IR* in scapular plane to 60°
 - Tolerance of submax Isometrics
 - Knowledge of home care & contraindications
 - Normalize mobility of related joints (AC/SC)

II. Intermediate Phase (5 - 8 weeks)

- a. Goals (general)
 - Normalize arthrokinematics
 - Gains in neuromuscular control

Normalization of posterior shoulder flexibility

b. Treatment Plan

- ROM Progression
 - Forward flexion to 150° -165°
 - ER in scapular plane to 65°
 - Full IR in scapular plane
- Initiate joint mobilizations as necessary
- Initiate posterior capsular stretching
- Progress strengthening
 - IR/ER band in scapular plane
 - Side lying ER
 - Full can (no weight if substitution patterns)
 - CW/CCW ball against wall
 - Initiate PNF patterns In available range
 - Body blade at neutral or rhythmic stabilization

c. Milestones for progression

- Forward flexion to 150° -165°
- ER in scapular plane to 65°
- Full IR in scapular plane
- Symmetrical posterior capsule mobility
- Progressing isotonic strength with IR/ER in available range

III. Strengthening Phase (8 - 14 weeks)

- a. Goals (general)
 - Normalize ROM
 - Progression of strength
 - Normalize scapulothoracic motion & strength
 - Overhead activities without pain

b. Treatment Plan

- ROM Progression; Initiate IR/ER @90° of GH abduction
 - Within 10° of full AROM in all planes
- Progression of scapular retractors & stabilizers
 - Prone program; LT, MT, Rhmd
 - LT: scapular depression
- Progress strengthening
 - Challenging rhythmic stabilization
 - UBE: forward & retro
 - Bilateral ball against wall; progress w/ perturbation
 - Initiate Isokinetic IR/ER in scapular plane
 - Initiate IR/ER @ 90° of GH abduction
 - Isotonic strengthening; flex, abd
 - Closed kinetic chain (ckc) ther-ex

- c. Milestones for progression
 - Within 10° of full active range in scapular plane
 - IR/ER <50% deficit
 - <30% strength deficits; primary shoulder muscles & scapular stabilizers

IV. Advanced Strengthening Phase (14 - 24 weeks)

- a, Goals (general)
 - Pain free full ROM
 - Improve muscular endurance
 - Improve dynamic stability
- b. Treatment Plan
 - Maintain flexibility
 - Progress strengthening
 - Advanced ckc ther-ex
 - Wall push-ups; w/wo ball
 - Continue w/ overhead strengthening
 - Continue w/ Isokinetic IR/ER strengthening; @90° of GH abduction
 - Advance isotonic strengthening
 - Advance rhythmic stabilization training in various ranges and positions
 - Initiate Plyometric strengthening
 - Chest passes
 - Trunk twists
 - Overhead passes
 - 90°/90° single arm plyos
- c. Milestones for progression
 - Strength deficits < 20% for IR/ER @ 90° of GH abduction
 - <20% strength deficits throughout

V. Return to Activity & Sport Phase (6 -9 months)

- a. Goals (general)
 - Pain free full ROM
 - Normalized strength
 - Return to sport/activity program
- b. Treatment Plan
 - Continue Isokinetic training
 - Continue w/ stability training
 - Advance plyometric training
 - Continue w/ ckc ther-ex
- c. Milestones for Activity
 - Strength deficits <10% throughout
 - Normalized closed kinetic chain testing
 - Completion of return to sport/activity program