Post-OP Cancer Exercises



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CODMANS



While standing, bend at the hips so your back is parallel to the floor. Hold on to a table or chair with the uninvolved arm to maintain balance. Rock the body causing the involved arm to gently swing.

Perform: ____ x clockwise; ____ x counter-clockwise.

Perform: front-to-back; side-to-side.

Repeat 10 times Perform 2 time(s) a day

WALL WALK FLEXION





Standing facing the wall, place forearm on the wall and support involved arm with your other hand. Walk your arm up the wall as shown in picture.

Repeat 10 times Hold 3 seconds Complete 1 set Perform 2 time(s) a day

RETRACTION IN EXTERNAL ROTATION



With fingers clasped behind head, pull elbows back while pinching shoulder blades together. To break, close your elbows. This exercise can be done on a bed.

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INTERNAL ROTATION TOWEL STRETCH-IR TOWEL



Gently pull up your affected arm behind your back with the assist of a towel. Hold this as a stretch, then lower back down and repeat.

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WALL WALK ABDUCTION





Standing with the wall on your involved side, place forearm on the wall. Walk your arm up the wall as shown in picture.

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