Patient Education

Occupational Therapy



Using a Theraband

These exercises using a theraband will help increase your strength for your daily living skills and prevent further injuries to your upper body.

Do each of these exercises:

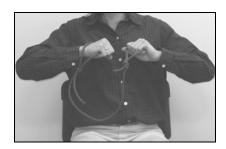
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____ times a day

Exercise #1

Shoulder Horizontal Abduction and Adduction

- Hold an end of the theraband in each hand.
- Place your hands together at chest level. Also keep your elbows at chest level.
- Pull your hands out to the sides, straightening your elbows.



Beginning



End



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Exercise #2

Shoulder Flexion

- Hold an end of the theraband in each hand. Place your hands together on your lap.
- Keeping one hand in your lap, pull the other hand above your head, until your elbow straightens.
- Repeat with the other hand.





Beginning

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Exercise #3

Elbow Flexion

- Fold the theraband in half to shorten it. Hold one end in each hand.
- Place your hands together on your lap.
- Keeping 1 hand on your lap, touch your shoulder with other hand. Be sure to keep your elbow at your side as you do this.
- Repeat with the other hand.







End

Questions?

Call 206-598-4830

Your questions are important. Call your doctor or health care provider if you have questions or concerns. UWMC clinic staff are also available to help.

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Exercise #4

Elbow Extension

- Keep the theraband short.
- Place your hands together at chest level, keeping your elbows at your sides.
- Keeping 1 hand at your chest, pull straight down with the other.
- Repeat with the other hand.





Beginning

End

Exercise #5

Elbow Extension in Adduction

- Unfold the theraband and hold one end in each hand.
- Place your hands by the sides of your head, with the theraband behind your head.
- Pull your hands out to the sides, keeping your arms at shoulder level.



Beginning



End



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