

Distal Biceps Repair

Phase I (week 1)

- > Posterior splint at 90 degrees of elbow flexion
- > Wrist and hand gripping exercises

Phase II (week 2-6)

- ➤ Elbow ROM brace
 - o Week 2 @ 45–100
 - o Week 4 @ 30–115
 - o Week 6 @ 15–130
- ➤ Shoulder exercises (rotator cuff)
- Scapular strengthening
- ➤ Wrist extensors and flexors
- > No active elbow flexion or supination
- Gripping exercises
- ➤ Week 5–6, isometric triceps exercises

Phase III (week 6-10)

- ➤ Elbow ROM
 - o Discontinue brace week 8 (0-145)
- ➤ Week 8 begin
 - Light isotonic triceps
 - o Isotonic wrist flexors/extensors
 - Shoulder isotonics
 - o Continue rotator cuff and scapular exercises
 - o Progress weight 1 lb. per week

Phase IV (week 10-16)

- ➤ Biceps isometrics @ week 12
- Continue flexibility exercises
- ➤ ROM/stretching exercises
- ➤ Week 10–12, initiate UBE

Phase V (week 16-26)

- ➤ Light biceps isotonics (week 16)
- > Plyometrics
 - o Two-handed @ week 16
 - o Progress to one-handed at week 20-22

Phase VI (week 26 and beyond)

Return to activity (sport specific training)