# REHABILITATION PROGRAM FOR 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
  - Week 2 @ 45-100
  - Week 4 @ 30-115
  - 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
  - Discontinue brace week 8 (0-145)
- · Week 8 begin
  - Light isotonic triceps
  - Isotonic wrist flexors/extensors
  - · Shoulder isotonics
  - · Continue rotator cuff and scapular exercises
  - 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
- Two-handed @ week 16
- Progress to one-handed at week 20-22

# **PHASE VI (WEEK 26 AND BEYOND)**

• Return to activity (sport specific training)