

# Calderdale and Huddersfield

NHS Foundation Trust

**Emergency Department Advice Sheet – Early Shoulder Exercises** 

# Early Shoulder Exercises

# Sit or Stand



Roll your Shoulders in both directions Repeat 2-3 times a day



#### Stand leaning on a table with one hand

Let your other arm hang relaxed straight down. Gently swing your arm forwards and backwards Repeat 2-3 times a day



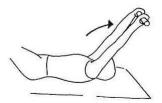
#### Stand leaning on a table with one hand

Let you other arm hang relaxed straight down. Gently swing your arm to your left and then to your right. Repeat 2-3 times a day



#### Stand leaning on a table with one hand

Let you other arm hang relaxed straight down. Gently swing your arm as if drawing a circle on the floor. Change direction Repeat 2-3 times a day



# Lying on your back with your knees bent

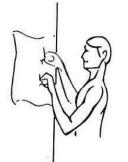
Hold a stick in both hands with elbows straight Lift your arms straight up and over your head to the floor. Hold for approx. 10 seconds (breath normally) – return to the starting position.

Repeat 2-3 times a day



# **Stand with your back against the wall and elbows bent to 90 degrees** Hold a stick between your hands, and use your good hand to push the other hand away from your body.

Push until you feel a stretch, hold for 30 seconds Repeat 2-3 times a day



## Stand facing the wall with both hands resting on a towel

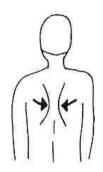
Squeeze your shoulder blades together and ensure you have good posture Step in towards the wall and slide the towel up the wall as far as you can go to your threshold of pain (do not allow your shoulders to hitch upwards) Repeat 2-3 times a day

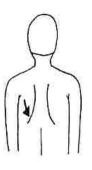


**Stand** Bring the arm you are exercising behind your back and stretch towards the opposite buttock. Repeat 2-3 times a day



Stand or sit Lift your arm up sideways with thumb leading the way Repeat 2- 3 times a day





Assume upright posture with shoulder relaxed Move one/both shoulder blades down towards the opposite hip Repeat 2-3 times a day



#### Stand facing a door frame as shown

Keep your elbow close to your body. Gently push your palm onto the doorframe, your arm should not move. Hold for 3 seconds Repeat until tired but not too painful



#### Stand facing a door frame as shown

Keep your elbow close to your body. Gently push the outer aspect of your hand into the door frame, your arm should not move. Hold for 3 seconds Repeat until tired but not too painful

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