SITTING EXERCISE PROGRAM



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These exercises will help maintain & improve circulation, muscle strength & joint mobility during your recovery

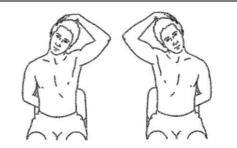
- they need to be executed in sitting on a stool/bed with your feet firmly planted on the floor
- synchronise your breathing with each activity, inhaling on initiation & exhaling when returning to the starting position

NECK STRETCHES

Position: Sitting, straight back, chest out

Exercise: place your hand over on the opposite side of you head. Place the other hand behind your lower back Gently pull your head down towards your shoulder till

you feel a slight stretch. Alternate sides



BREATHING EXERCISES

Position: Sitting, back straight, chest out **Exercise:** Inhale deep & slowly through your

nose, pinching your scapula together.

Exhale slowly through the nose or mouth bringing your shoulders forward towards each other



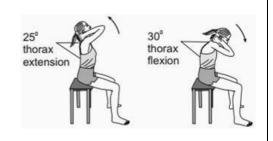
THORACIC MOBILITY EXERCISES

Position: Sitting, hands placed at nape of neck **Exercise:** Inhale deep & slowly moving your elbows back, dropping your head backwards & arching your

back over the chair

Exhale slowly bringing your elbows, head & neck

forward, arching your upper back forward



ROTATION EXERCISES

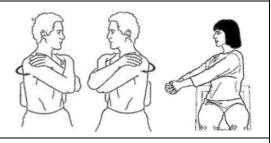
Position: Sitting, crossing your arms to hold your

shoulders, or clasp your hands out

stretched in front of you

Exercise: Turn as far as you can comfortably go

from right to left



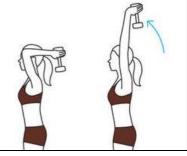
TRICEPS EXERCISES

Position: Sitting, clasp your hands or hold a light

weight behind your head

Exercise: Straighten your elbows until your hands

are above your head and back down again



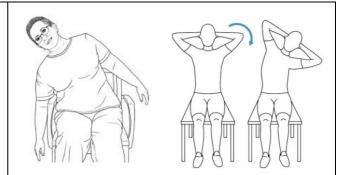
SIDE FLEXION/BENDING

Position: Sitting – choose the hand & arm position

that's most comfortable for you

Exercise: Inhale leaning to the side as far as is

comfortable without turning your body Exhale returning the upright position



PECTORAL EXERCISES

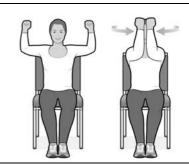
Position: Sitting, with your elbow & shoulders at 90°

to the sides of your body

Exercise: Inhale bringing your wrists & elbows

towards each other

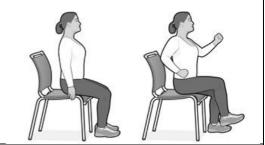
Exhaling move them back out to the side



MARCHING ON THE SPOT

Position: Sitting on the edge of your stool Exercise: raising your knees 1 at a time to mimic marching

on the spot



SEATED STAR JUMPS

Position: Sitting on the edge of your stool

Exercise: Spread & extend your arms up & legs out

away from your body & return in quick bursts



TOUCHING YOUR TOES

Position: Sitting on the edge of your stool **Exercise:** Exhale leaning forward with your arms aiming to touch your toes Inhaling return

to the upright position



QUADRICEP EXERCISES

Position: Sitting on the edge of your stool **Exercise:** Lift your foot straightening your knee & pointing your toes towards your face. Hold for

__ counts

Return & alternate with the other leg.

Both legs can be exercised simultaneously

