

# Department of **PHYSIOTHERAPY**

# Neck Flexibility Exercises



#### **Neck Rotation**



Hold second(s).
Do set(s).
Do session(s) a day.

- 1. Tuck your chin in.
- 2. Turn your head to look over your left shoulder.
- 3. Turn your head to look over your right shoulder. Repeat steps 1 and 3.

#### Flat Stretch



Hold second(s).
Do set(s).
Do session(s) a day.
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- 1. Place your fist on your chest. Tuck your chin in and look down at your fist.
- 2. Gently push your head downwards with your other hand.

#### Anterior Scalene Stretch



Hold second(s).
Do set(s).
Do session(s) a day.

- 1. Tuck your chin in.
- 2. Tilt your head away and slightly backwards. At the same time, slightly rotate your head backwards and towards the painful side until a gentle stretch is felt along the front of your neck.

#### Levator Scapula Stretch



Hold second(s). Do set(s).
Do session(s) a day.

- 1. Place one hand behind your back.
- 2. Use your other hand to gently pull your head diagonally downwards until you feel a stretch at the side along the back of your neck. (As shown in the image)

#### **Upper Trapezius Stretch**



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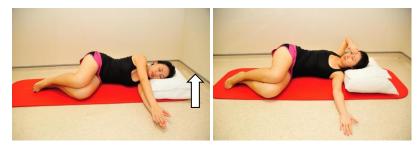
- 1. Tuck your chin in.
- 2. Gently grasp one side of your head with the opposite hand and pull your head to the same direction.
- 3. Tilt your head away until a gentle stretch is felt at the side of your neck.

#### Thoracic Rotation (Archery) in Sitting



- 1. Place both hands together as shown.
- 2. Pull one arm backwards as much as you can without moving <sub>4</sub> the other arm.

#### **Open Book Exercise (Side Lying)**



	Hold second(s).
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- Lie on your side and place both arms in front of you. (As shown in the image)
- 2. Slide the top hand towards the opposite side while keeping your hips and knees still. (As shown in the image)

#### Biceps Curl (with TheraBand)



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- 1. Hold down one end of the TheraBand with your foot.
- 2. Keep your elbows close to your body. Bend your elbows to slowly pull the other end of the TheraBand upwards.

#### Pectoralis Stretch Against Wall



Hold second(s).
Do set(s).
Do session(s) a day.

- 1. Stand alongside a door with your shoulder and elbow resting at 90°.
- 2. Lean forward until a stretch is felt along your chest area.

#### Thoracic Extension Stretch on Chair (Without Stick)



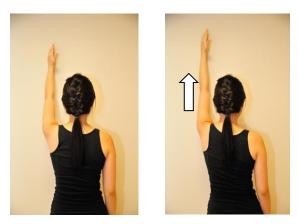
- 1. Place a towel in between a backrest and the middle of your back. (As shown in the image)
- 2. Bend your body backwards slowly.

#### Thoracic Extension Stretch in Chair (With Stick)



- Hold a stick with both hands at shoulder width apart. (As shown in the image)
- 2. Lower the stick behind your neck by bending both elbows. Keep your back straight.

#### Shoulder Shrugs



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	Hold second(s).
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	Do session(s) a day.

- 1. Raise your \_\_\_\_\_ arm and lean it against a flat surface.
- 2. Shrug your shoulders up and down. (As shown in the image)

#### **Thoracic Stacking**



Hold second(s).
Do set(s).
Do session(s) a day.

- 1. Start with your elbows bent and fingers interlocked above your head.
- 2. Push your palms away and upwards.

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