Aurora BayCare Medical Center

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## **Upper Extremity Aquatic Home Exercise Program**

The following exercises should be performed while activating your core muscles and keeping your spine in neutral. You can use styrofoam dumbbells or 6 to 8 inch length swim noodles to increase the challenge. Use the edge of the pool to help with balance.

**1. Rotator Cuff** Equipment: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Keeping your upper arms tucked into your side, shoulder blades squeezed together, press both hands apart and together.

\_\_\_\_\_ repetitions \_\_\_\_\_ sets

2. Rower/Chest Press Equipment: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Beginning with your arms in front of you at shoulder height. Squeeze your shoulder blades together and down as you pull

your elbows straight back to your side. Then push forward.

\_\_\_\_\_ repetitions \_\_\_\_\_ sets

**3. Shoulder Extension** Equipment: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Palms down, arms in front of you, drag your arms through the water at your sides.

\_\_\_\_\_ repetitions \_\_\_\_\_ sets

4. Chest Press/Upper Back Equipment: \_\_\_\_\_

Begin with arms apart. Pull your arms in together, then push your arms out and apart. Keep arms below shoulder height.

\_\_\_\_\_ repetitions \_\_\_\_\_ sets

5. Diagonal Shoulder Lift

Equipment: \_\_\_\_\_

Lift your arm from opposite hip out to your side gradually turning your palm from down to up.

\_\_\_\_\_ repetitions \_\_\_\_\_\_ sets

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