

Routine For: Neck Care Created By: Sachin Desai, PT

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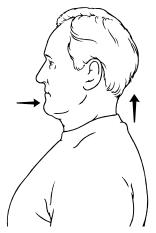
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\*\*\*\*Be patient and work as per the guidelines. It takes some time to see objective improvement. Feel free to ask questions if you have any concerns.

#### NECK - 2 Axial Extension

Gently pull chin in while lengthening back of neck.

Hold 1-2 seconds.



Repeat <u>10</u> times. Do <u>3-4</u> sessions per day.

### **NECK CARE TIPS**

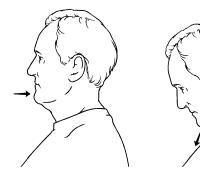
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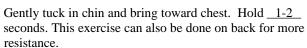
- keep your neck warm
- wear a scarf when going outside or in drafty areas
- tuck in your chin while looking down
- when lying on your back or side
  - use pillows for support
  - keep head in straight alignment with body
- strengthen your neck by
  - moving head <u>10</u> times every hour throughout the day
  - moving head forward and side to side
  - avoiding painful positions
  - avoiding activities that irritate your neck

### DON'T:

- tilt or rotate head to side when lying on back or side,
- keep your head in one position too long,
- sleep on your stomach, or, carry heavy objects

## NECK - 4 Range of Motion (Flexion)





Repeat 10 times. Do 3-4 sessions per day.

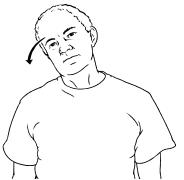
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### NECK - 5 Lateral Flexion

With head in comfortable, centered position and chin slightly tucked, gently bring right ear toward right shoulder.

Hold 1-2 seconds.

Repeat with left side.

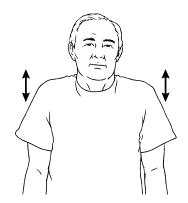


Repeat <u>10</u> times. Do <u>3-4</u> sessions per day.

# NECK - 7 Shoulder Shrug

Bring shoulders up toward ears.

Hold <u>1-2</u> seconds. Relax.



Repeat <u>10</u> times. Do <u>3-4</u> sessions per day.

### NECK - 6 Active Neck Rotation

With head in a comfortable position and chin gently tucked in, rotate head to the right.

Hold <u>1-2</u> seconds.

Repeat to the left.



Repeat <u>10</u> times. Do <u>3-4</u> sessions per day.