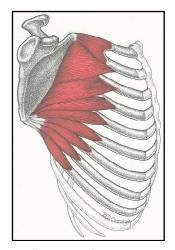
# "Postural Restoration Techniques to Reduce Shoulder Instability and Tendonitis" Ron Hruska, MPA, PT

#### Most Common Volleyball Shoulder Problems:

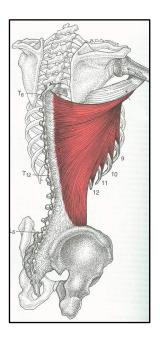
Bicipital Tendonitis Shoulder Impingement

#### Most Common Mechanical Issues Contributing to Bicipital Tendonitis:

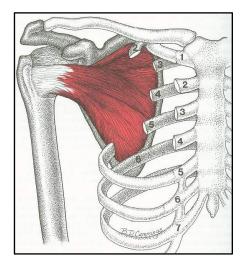
- 1. Decreased ability to rotate trunk or chest wall to the right.
- 2. Decreased ability to externally rotate ribs (turn ribs up in the front and retract rib cage (usually on the right) secondary to forward shoulder position and weak serratus anterior muscle.
- 3. Overuse of the latissimus dorsi muscle for humeral (arm) internal rotation secondary to poor scapular (shoulder blade) position and subscapularis muscle function.



Serratus Anterior Muscle



Latissimus Dorsi Muscle

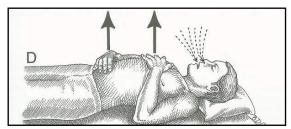


Subscapularis Muscle

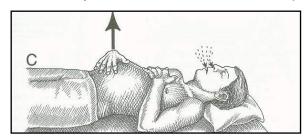
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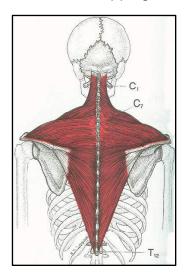
1. Poor ability to expand rib cage with diaphragmatic breathing.



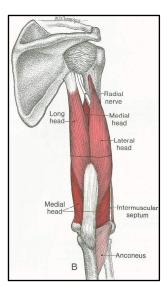
2. Poor ability to co-contract abdominals upon inhalation.



3. Weak low trap and long head of the tricep (usually on the right) resulting in winging and anterior tipping of the shoulder blade.



Trapezius Muscles



Triceps Muscles

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Above lists also contribute to intra scapular weakness or weakness of the muscles between the shoulder blades.

# **Postural Restoration Techniques for Bicipital Tendonitis**

Standing Passive Left
 Acetabular Femoral Internal
 Rotation with Right Trunk
 Rotation



2. Standing Supported Resisted Left Serratus Anterior



3. Standing Lat Hang with Low Trap



4. Sidelying Right
Humeral-Glenoid
Horizontal
Abduction with
FemoralAcetabular
External Rotation



5. Standing Resisted
Bilateral Serratus
Anterior Press Through



6. Sidelying
Resisted Right
Humeral Glenoid
Internal Rotation



7. Supine Resisted
Right HumeralGlenoid Internal
Rotation with Left
Humeral Glenoid
External Rotation



8. Seated Resisted Right D1 Extension



9. Sidelying
Right
Serratus
Punch with
Right Trunk
Rotation



Standing Resisted Right D2
 Flexion in PRI Left Single Leg
 Vertical Balance



11. Reversed C Push Ups



## **Postural Restoration Techniques for Shoulder Impingement**

1. Supine Tricep Curls



7. Seated Resisted Tricep Pull Downs



2. Supine
Resisted
Right Tricep
Extension



8. Seated Resisted Reciprocal Pull Downs



3. Standing Resisted Bilateral Tricep Pull Down



9. Long Seated Press Down with Abdominals



4. Bench Hooklying Thoracic Pull Ups



10. Paraspinal Release with Left Abdominals



5. Seated Resisted Pull Downs



11. Prone All Four Belly Lift



6. Seated Resisted Scapula Pull Downs

