Patient Information



Hand Exercises

Patient name:
NHS no:
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DOB:

Please only complete the exercises that your therapist advises. You may experience some discomfort when completing these exercises, if your pain is excessive please discuss this with your therapist.

Name of therapist _____ Contact details:

Please bring this leaflet with you if you attend an outpatient hand therapy appointment

Hand Flexion/Extension





Keeping your wrist straight make a fist: make sure all your fingers bend as much as

they can. Then straighten your fingers as much as possible until you feel a stretch.

Repetitions _____

Times per day_____

MCP Flexion

Keeping your wrist straight, bend your big knuckles, keeping your finger joints straight.

Repetitions _____

Times per day_____



Hook

Keeping your wrist and big knuckles straight, bend your finger joints as far as you can, then straighten your fingers.

Repetitions

Times per day_____



Thumb Opposition

Touch the tip of each finger with your thumb. When you can reach your little finger, aim to slide your thumb down towards its base.





Repetitions _____

Times per day_____

Thumb Flexion

Slide your thumb across your palm towards your little finger, bending both the tip and knuckle as far as you can. Keep your thumb "stuck" to your palm.

Repetitions _____

Times per day_____



Thumb Extension





With your hand on a table begin with your thumb against your index finger and then slide your

thumb away from the finger as far as you can.

Repetitions _____

Times per day_____

Thumb IPJ Flexion/Extension

Holding the base of your thumb, bend and straighten the tip of your thumb.





Repetitions _____

Times per day_____

Pronation/supination





Keeping your elbow tucked into your side, turn your palm to face up and then down.

Repetitions _____

Times per day_____

Radial/Ulna Deviation

Keeping your forearm still, move your wrist from side to side (towards your thumb then towards your little finger).





Repetitions _____

Times per day_____

Wrist Flexion/Extension





Keeping your elbow still and fingers relaxed, bend your wrist forwards, then bend

your wrist backwards.

Repetitions _____

Times per day_____

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