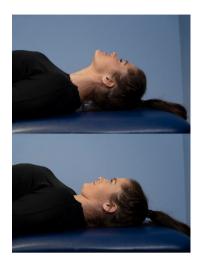


Cervical Arterial Dysfunction

Treatment Programme

Aim to perform this programme a minimum of once per day unless prescribed otherwise. As with any new exercise, start slowly (repetitions as able) and build up as you are able within the guidelines below.

Pain should not exceed 3/10 whilst completing this exercise programme.



6 reps / 3 sets / 10 second hold

1. Neck strength in lying

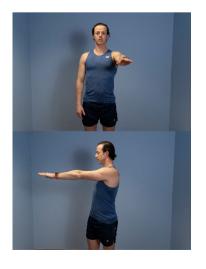
- With your head in neutral, lift your whole head up to bring your chin as close to your chest.
- Hold for up to 10 seconds and relax.



5 reps / 3 sets / 1 minute rest

2. Neck rotations

- In sitting looking forward, turn your head as far to one side as you can within your comfortable range.
- Then as quickly as you feel comfortable to, turn to the other side as far as you can within your comfortable range.
- Try to build the speed of movement over time as you feel able.



20 reps (10 each side) / 3 sets / 1 minute

3. Standing rotation

- Start standing upright.
- Take your right arm up to shoulder height and out to the side.
- From here reach across your body as far as you can until you are level with your left shoulder.
- You can move your upper body and pelvis but keep your feet on the floor.
- Repeat this motion using the left arm and then continue alternating between the left and the right arms.

We recommend consulting a musculoskeletal physiotherapist to ensure exercises are best suited to your recovery. If you are carrying out an exercise regime without consulting a healthcare professional, you do so at your own risk. If you have any concerns whilst completing these exercises, please contact a healthcare professional.