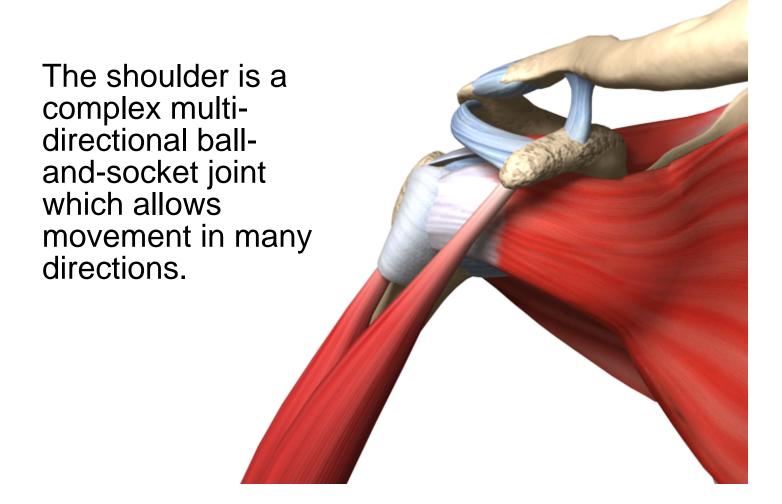




Capsular Shift



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Capsular Shift Repair Introduction

The shoulder is a complex multi-directional ball-and-socket joint which allows movement in many directions.



Shoulder Instability

Shoulder instability and dislocation occur when the shoulder capsule is stretched or torn, and/or when the labrum is detached from the glenoid.



Incisions

Small incisions (portals) are made around the joint. The scope and surgical instruments will go into these incisions.

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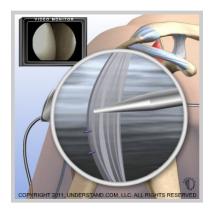


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Visualization

The scope is inserted into the back of the shoulder joint. Saline solution flows through a tube (cannula) and into the shoulder capsule to expand the joint and to improve visualization. The image is sent to a video monitor where the surgeon can see inside the joint.



Repair

The capsule that helps hold the humeral head in the glenoid has been stretched. The excess tissue will be folded underneath itself and stitched together using suture, thus tightening the capsule.



End of Procedure

After the capsule has been tightened, the surgical instruments are removed and the procedure is completed.

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