### **Duchenne Therapy Network**

# **Frequently Asked Questions**

# What stretches should we be doing and how often?







- Stretching should not be painful
- Stretches should be held for 60 seconds and repeated
- As the muscle relaxes, increase the pressure
- A daily routine is the most effective

Here are 6 sample stretches which are very commonly prescribed for DMD.





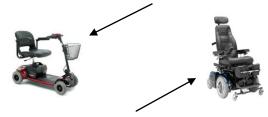


#### When is it time to give him "the Power"?

General Considerations:

- Is walking unsafe?
- Is walking too tiring?
- Is he missing out on social opportunities?

Walks well but needs to conserve energy.



Walking is unsafe and he needs more support and options.



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#### What about ankle splints? General Rules:



- \*Resting splints only
- \*Fixed ankle position
- \*Custom fabrication
- \*Maximum

**comfortable** position