



DISPLAY 26-7

Clinical Scenario for Traction Injury to the Long Thoracic Nerve

A 39-year-old female homemaker injured her long thoracic nerve from constantly carrying a diaper bag and her 25-lb toddler on her left side. The MMT grade of her serratus anterior at the time of initial examination is 3–/5. Her functional goals are to be able to perform activities of daily living and instrumental activities of daily living of a full-time homemaker. She is not involved in any upper extremity sports or recreational activities.