Latest Treatments for Arthritic Shoulders

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Understanding Shoulder Arthritis

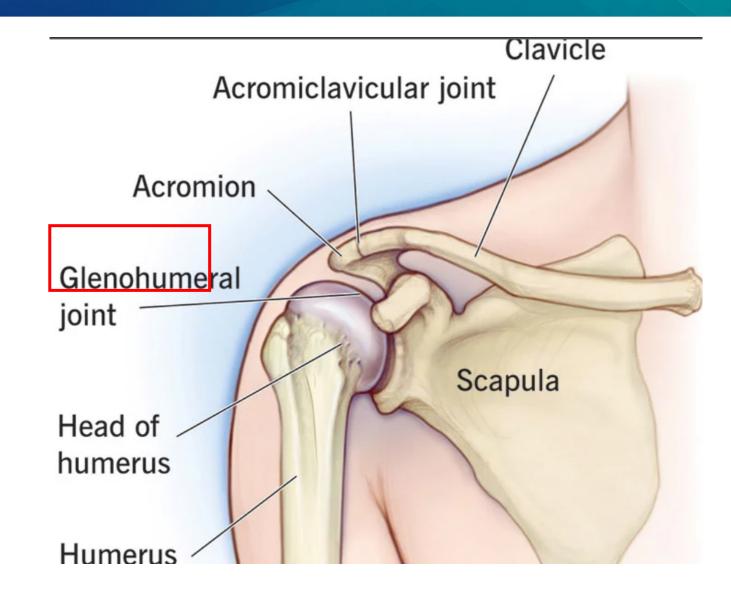


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Shoulder Joint Anatomy

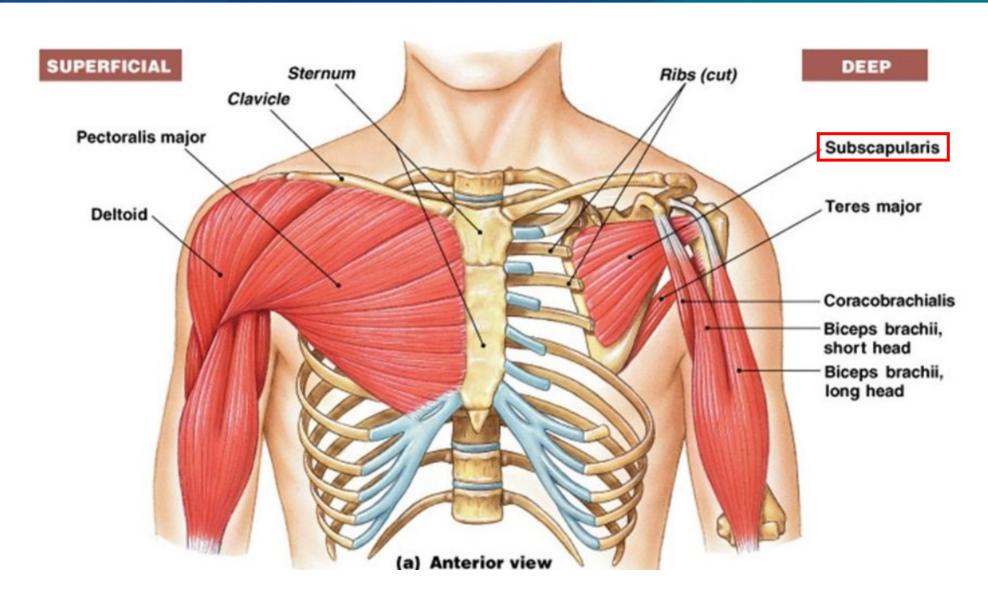


- Ball and socket joint
 - Humeral head
 - Glenoid
- Most mobile joint in body
- Very important surrounding musculature



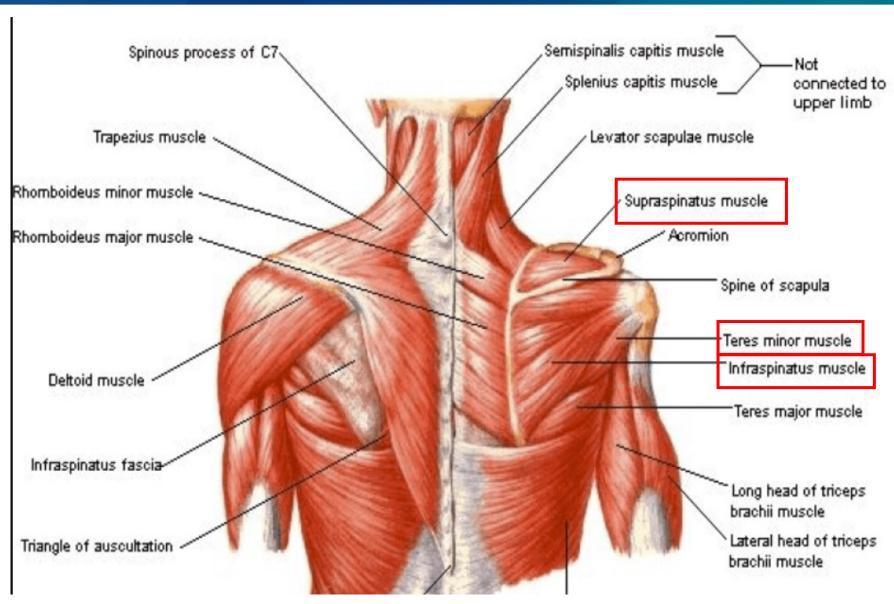
Shoulder Muscle Anatomy: Front (aka Anterior)





Shoulder Muscle Anatomy: Back (aka Posterior)

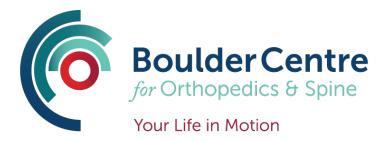






Part I

What is Arthritis?



What is Arthritis?







• Breakdown of normal joint lining (cartilage) resulting in abnormal force transfer across bones

Causes of Shoulder Arthritis



Primary Osteoarthritis

Wear and tear arthritis

Post-Traumatic Arthritis

Following a dislocation or broken arm

Inflammatory Arthritis

• Rheumatoid arthritis, gout, autoimmune diseases

Avascular Necrosis

Loss of blood flow to the top of the humerus

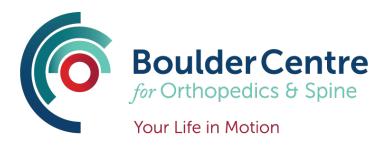
Rotator Cuff Arthropathy

• Specific wear pattern found in chronic rotator cuff failure



Part II

How Does Arthritis Impact the Shoulder?



Measuring Shoulder Arthritis



Severity:

- Joint space narrowing
- Osteophytes (bone spur)
- Sclerosis (hardening of bone)
- Cysts



Glenoid (socket)





Proximal migration



Symptoms of Shoulder Arthritis



History of Symptoms:

- Deep, constant shoulder pain
- Night pain
- Loss of range of motion



Pattern of Symptoms:

- Slow onset
- Related to overuse OR profession
- Activity dependent
- Development after prior injury

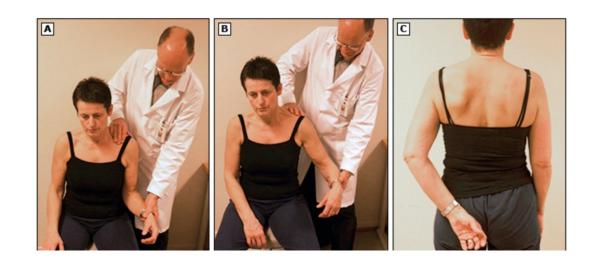
Findings of Shoulder Arthritis



Physical Exam:

- Loss of range of motion
- Often normal strength
- Compensatory pain along scapula (shoulder blade)





X-Ray Findings:

 Loss of joint space, bone spurs, deformity

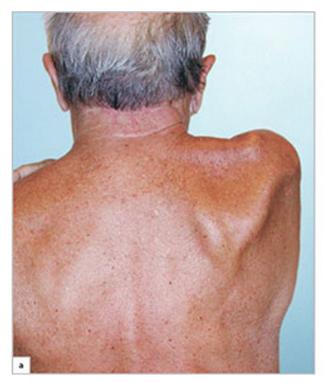
Findings Rotator Cuff Arthropathy



Unique presentation!!

Exam:

- Motion limited in all planes
 - True inability to move arm
- Muscular wasting
- Bony prominence

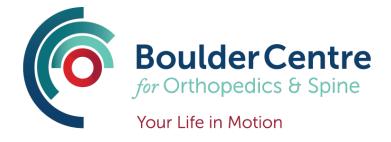






Part III

Conservative Treatment

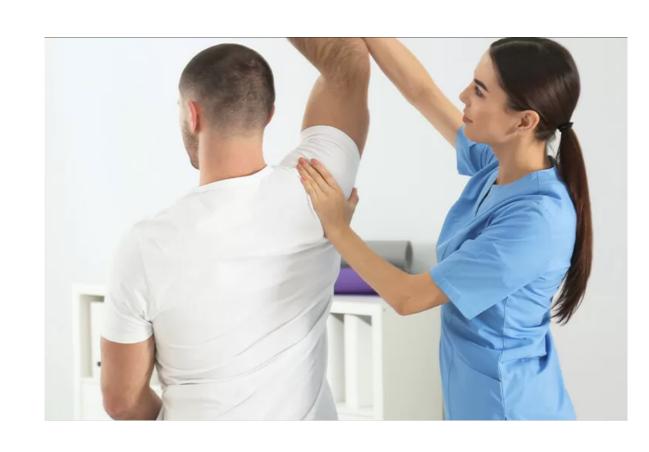


Initial Conservative Treatment



Physical Therapy:

- Best for mild to moderate arthritis
- Goals:
 - Improve range of motion
 - Decrease pain/ dysfunction of scapular muscles
 - Optimize strength



Initial Conservative Treatment



Medications:

- Best for mild to moderate arthritis
- Goals
 - Decrease inflammatory pain
 - Non-Steroidal Anti-Inflammatory
 - Over-the-counter and/or prescription
 - Improve sleep
 - Muscle relaxant

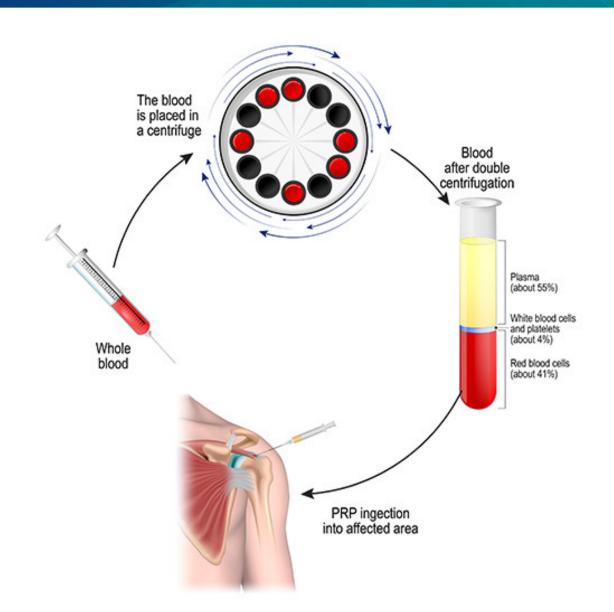


Further Conservative Treatment



Injections:

- Potentially beneficial for arthritis of all severities
- Corticosteroid
 - Anti-inflammatory
- Hyaluronic Acid
 - Mechanical lubricant
- Platelet Rich Plasma
 - Regenerative biologic



Assessment of Conservative Treatment



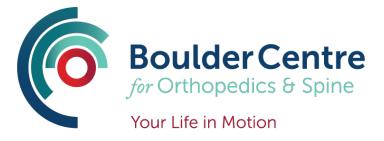
"When Do I Need to Do More?"

- Persistent pain without improvement from conservative therapy
- Decline in function
 - Worsening motion
 - Worsening sleep due to night pain
 - Inability to perform daily tasks



Part IV

Procedural Options



CAM Procedure: Comprehensive Arthroscopic Management



A minimally invasive, arthroscopic procedure to address mechanical and inflammatory pain produced from arthritis.

"What does this surgery do?"

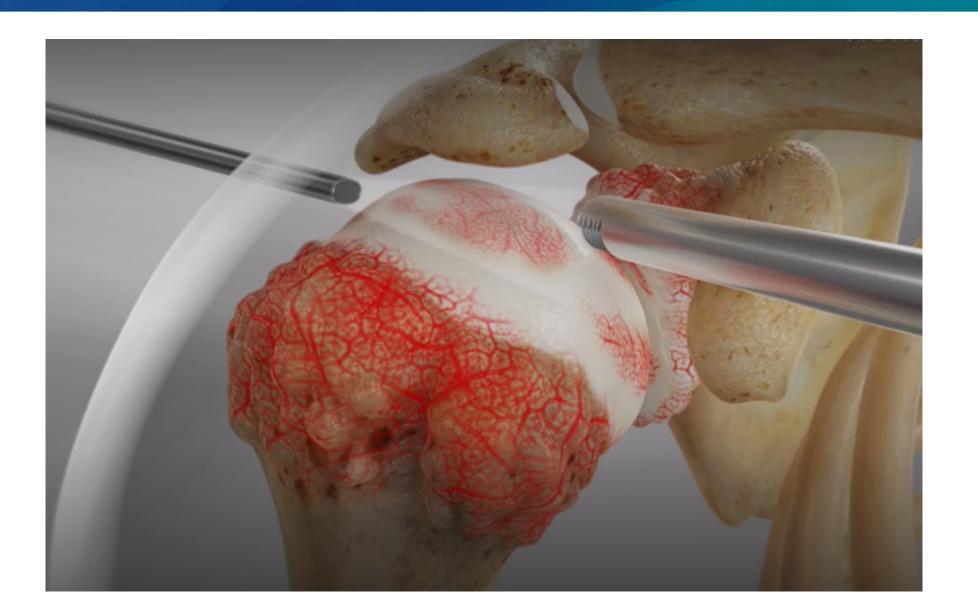
- Removes inflammatory tissue, loose pieces of bone or cartilage, some bone spur formation
- Releases the joint capsule and nerve pressure
- Can address bicep tendon pain

"What are the goals?"

- Prevent the need for joint replacement for up to five years
- Provide young patients improved function
- Surgical option with minimal downtime

CAM Procedure





CAM Procedure Recovery



Post-operative course:

- Sling as needed
- Range of motion and activity as tolerated
- Physical Therapy beginning two weeks after surgery
- Full recovery ~ 3-6 months



Shoulder Joint Sensory Nerve Ablation

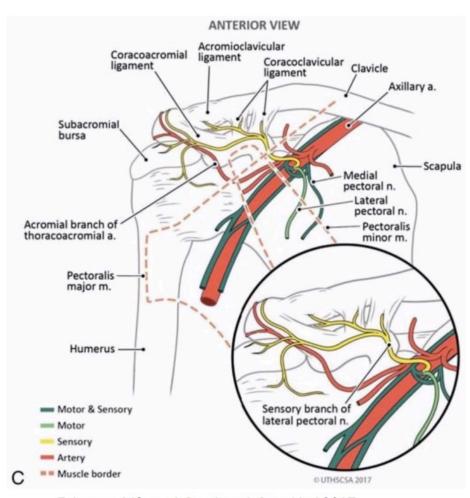


"What is this procedure?"

It includes ablating, or stopping, the sensory nerve branches of the shoulder joint from sending pain signals to your brain. The primary goal is to reduce pain to allow improved function.

"When is this the right option?"

- Arthritic pain despite all conservative treatment.
- 2. When medical conditions prevent surgery from being a safe option.
- 3. Inability to take downtime from shoulder replacement.

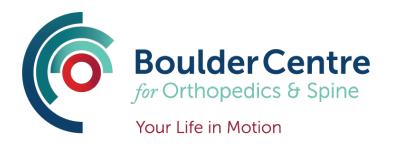


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Part V

Total Shoulder Replacement (TSR)



TSR Indications



Appropriate option for most patients with moderate to severe osteoarthritis with lack of improvement from conservative treatment and less invasive procedures.

TSR Types



Anatomic TSR

MUST have intact rotator cuff

Reverse TSR

- Option for rotator cuff arthropathy
- Utilized for severe deformity or fracture







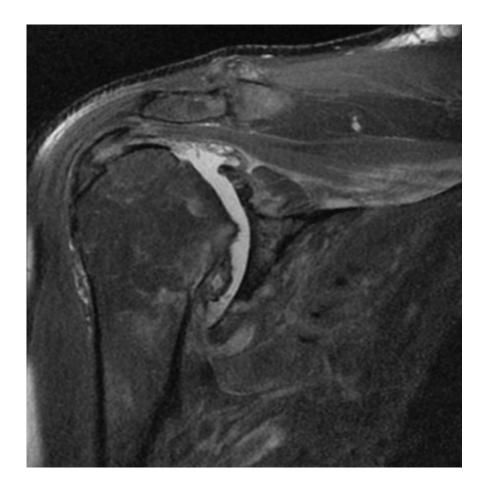
• X-Ray: 2D bone information about arthritis obtained during your office visit

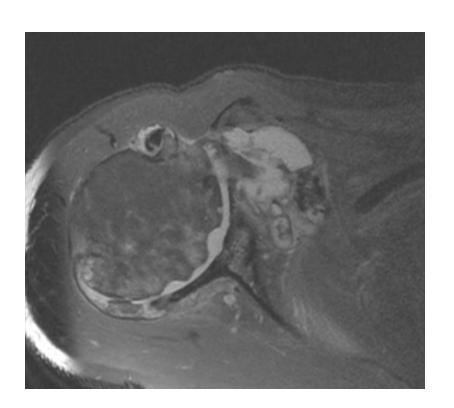






• MRI: 3D information about surrounding soft tissue structures, i.e., rotator cuff







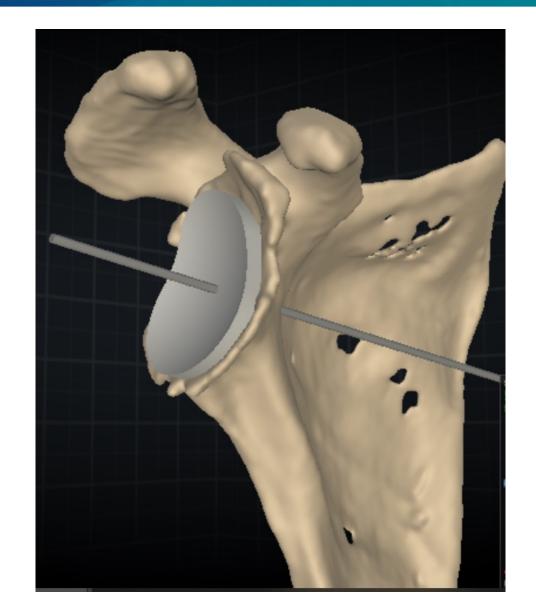
• CT: 3D bony information that allows implant planning







• CT Modeling: Allows planning of implant sizes before surgery



Anatomic TSR: Humeral Stem



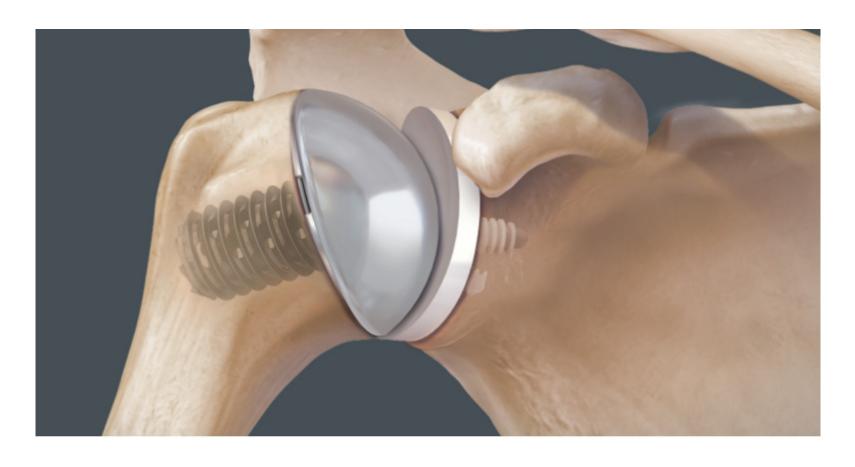
Appropriate option for all TSR patients.



Anatomic TSR: Stemless



Appropriate option for often younger patients with excellent bone quality.



Reverse TSR Imaging Findings



• X-Ray: proximal migration of the humeral head



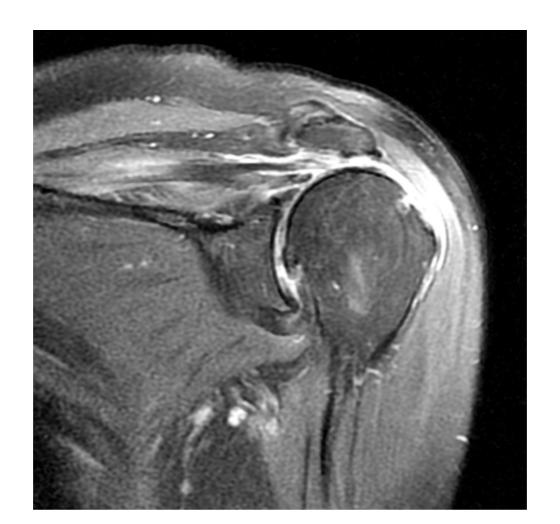


Normal acromial distance

Reverse TSR Imaging Findings



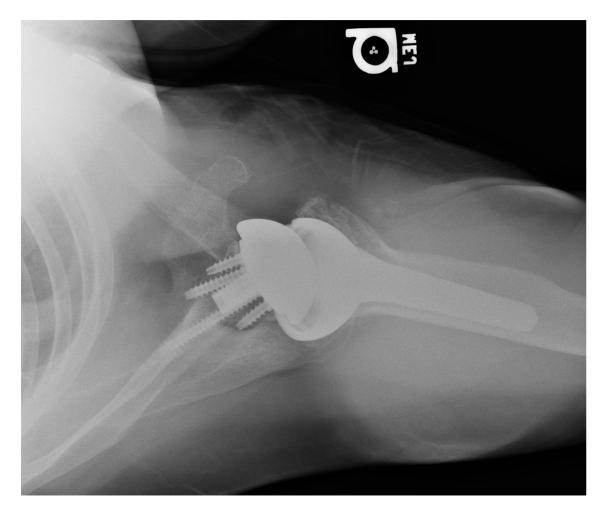
MRI: reveals retracted and irreparable rotator cuff



Reverse TSR







TSR Recovery



Post-operative course:

- Sling for 4-6 weeks
- No lifting >1lb for 12 weeks
- Range of motion and activity progress incrementally
- Physical Therapy beginning two weeks after surgery
- Full recovery ~ 6-12 months



TSR Long Term



- No restrictions
 - historically, limited to lifting 25 lbs
- Lifespan: on average, there is a 1% failure rate per year.
 - 10% need a second surgery at 10 years
 - 20% need a second surgery at 20 years



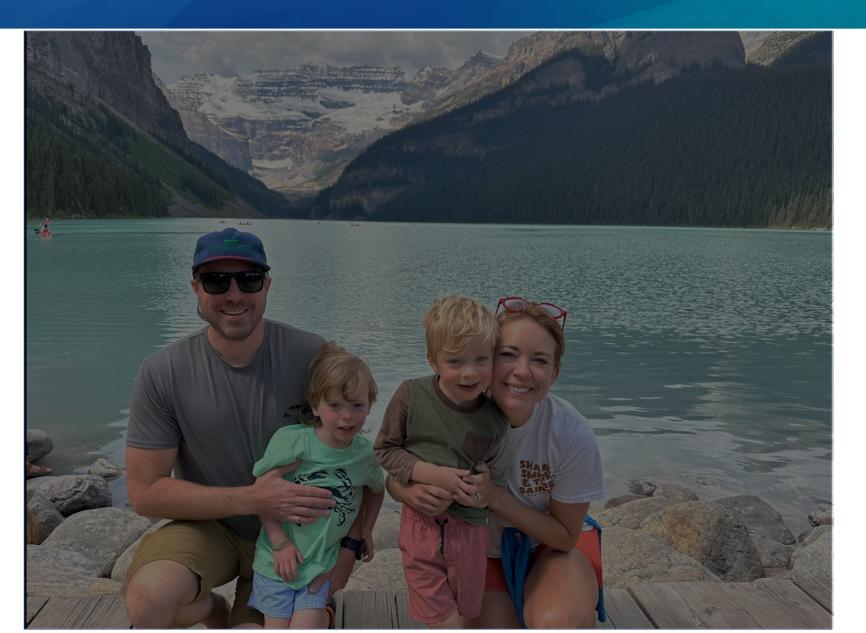
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