Final SOAP Note:

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- **Subjective:**

The patient is a 25-year-old male who presents with a chief complaint of sharp chest pain that started three days ago. He describes the pain as sharp and localized to the center of his chest, radiating to his neck at times. The pain is exacerbated by coughing and laying down, but improves with leaning forward. He rates the pain as 6 out of 10. He has been experiencing episodes of pain that last a few seconds, but has not had any shortness of breath, dizziness, or palpitations. He has tried Tylenol, which has helped alleviate the pain. He has a history of a recent flu-like illness, but has since recovered. He is worried about having a heart attack, given his father's recent heart attack and passing two weeks ago.

- **Objective:**
- * Vital signs: Not recorded
- * Physical examination: Not performed
- * Laboratory tests: None ordered at this time
- * Imaging studies: None ordered at this time
- * ECG: Ordered to assess cardiac function
- **Assessment:**

The patient's symptoms are concerning for a cardiac etiology, given his family history of heart disease and his recent episodes of sharp chest pain. However, the fact that the pain improves with leaning forward and is exacerbated by coughing and laying down suggests that the pain may be related to a musculoskeletal or respiratory issue. The patient's recent flu-like illness and lack of other cardiac symptoms, such as shortness of breath or palpitations, also suggest that the pain may not be cardiac in nature. Further testing, including an ECG and potentially blood work, is needed to rule out cardiac causes and determine the underlying etiology of the patient's symptoms.

- **Plan:**
- 1. Order an ECG to assess cardiac function and rule out any cardiac abnormalities.
- 2. Consider ordering blood work, including troponin levels and a complete blood count, to evaluate for any cardiac or inflammatory causes of the patient's symptoms.
- 3. Provide reassurance and education to the patient, given his concerns about having a heart attack.
- 4. Schedule a follow-up appointment to review the results of the ECG and any other tests, and to determine the next steps in management.
- 5. Consider referring the patient to a cardiologist or other specialist if the results of the tests suggest a cardiac or other underlying condition that requires further evaluation and management.