

CC Acupuncture PC

PATIENT: LIAO, XUEMEI Gender: Female

DOB: 08/23/1957 AGE AS OF 02/04/2026: 68y

Subjective:

Follow up visit  
Patient reports: there is improvement of symptom(s) because of more energy level throughout the day .  
Patient still c/o Dull, weighty pain in mid and lower back area without radiation, associated with muscles soreness (scale as 70%), impaired performing ADL's with moderate to severe difficulty with ADLs like Standing for long periods of time, Walking for long periods of time.

**Pain Scale: 5 /10**  
**Pain frequency:** Frequent (symptoms occur between 51% and 75% of the time)

Objective: Muscles Testing:  
Tightness muscles noted along longissimus, Gluteal Muscles, The Multifidus muscles  
Grading Scale: moderate

Tenderness muscle noted along Iliopsoas Muscle, Quadratus Lumborum, The Multifidus muscles

Grading Scale: (+3) = Patient complains of considerable tenderness and withdraws momentarily in response to the test pressure.

Muscles spasm noted along longissimus, Iliopsoas Muscle, Quadratus Lumborum, The Multifidus muscles:  
Frequency Grading Scale: (+3)= >1 but < 10 spontaneous spasms per hour.

Lumbar Muscles Strength and Spine ROM  
**4-/5** Flexion: 60 Degrees(moderate)  
**3+/5** Extension: 20 Degrees(moderate)  
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**Inspection:** local skin no damage or rash

tongue  
big tongue with white sticky coat  
pulse  
string-taut

Assessment:

The patient continues treatment for mid and lower back area today.  
The patient's general condition is good, compared with last treatment, the patient presents with improvement of symptom(s). The patient has decreased pain duration, physical finding has reduced local muscles tightness. Patient tolerated acupuncture treatment well. No adverse side effect post treatment. Current patient still has Phlegm-Damp in local meridian that cause the pain.

Plan:

Select Needle Size : 34#x1" ,30# x1.5",30# x2",30#x3"  
Daily acupuncture treatment for lower back - Personal one on one contact with the patient (Total Operation Time: 15 mins)

Back Points: (15 mins) - personal one on one contact with the patient

1. Greeting patient, Review of the chart, Routine examination of the patient current condition , washing hands, setting up the clean field, selecting acupuncture needle size, selecting location, marking and cleaning the points, Initial Acupuncture needle inserted without electrical stimulation BL26, BL40, BL53, SI 3

Removing and properly disposing of needles  
Post treatment service and education patient about precautions at home after treatment.  
Documentation

Today's treatment principles:  
consist of promoting on drain the dampness, clear damp to speed up the recovery, soothe the tendon.

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**Pain Scale: 6 /10**  
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Tightness muscles noted along longissimus, Gluteal Muscles, The Multifidus muscles  
Grading Scale: moderate to severe  
  
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**Pain Scale: 8 /10**  
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Grading Scale: moderate to severe  
  
Tenderness muscle noted along Iliopsoas Muscle, Quadratus Lumborum, The Multifidus muscles  
  
Grading Scale: (+4) = Patient complains of severe tenderness, withdraws immediately in response to test pressure, and is unable to bear sustained pressure.  
  
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Assessment:  
The patient continues treatment for mid and lower back area today.  
The patient's general condition is good, compared with last treatment, the patient presents with slight improvement of symptom(s). The patient has slightly decreased muscles soreness sensation, physical finding has slightly reduced joint ROM limitation. Patient tolerated acupuncture treatment well. No adverse side effect post treatment.  
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#### Subjective: INITIAL EVALUATION

Patient c/o Chronic pain in bilateral lower back which is Dull, weighty without radiation. The patient has been complaining of the pain for 7-8 year(s) which got worse in recent 2 week(s) The pain is associated with muscles soreness (scale as 70%) due to age related/degenerative changes, weather change.

The pain is aggravated by any strenuous activities, There is moderate to severe difficulty with ADLs like Standing for long periods of time, Walking for long periods of time.

Moving around, Changing positions can temporarily relieve the pain. Due to this condition patient has decrease outside activity, decrease walking time The pain did not **improved after a week** which promoted the patient to seek acupuncture and oriental medicine intervention.

Patient also complaints of chronic pain on the neck, upper back, shoulder, knee comes and goes, which is less severe compared to the lower back pain.

**Pain Scale: Worst: 8 ; Best: 7 ; Current: 8**

**Pain Frequency:** Frequent (symptoms occur between 51% and 75% of the time)  
Walking aid : none

**Medical history/Contraindication or Precision:** Cholesterol

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## Assessment: TCM Dx:

Lower back pain due to Phlegm-Damp in local meridian, but patient also has Kidney Yin Deficiency in the general.

Today's TCM treatment principles:

promote on drain the dampness, clear damp and harmonize yin/yang balance in order to promote good essence.

Acupuncture Eval was done today on Thoracic, Lumbar

Plan: Initial Evaluation - Personal one on one contact with the patient (total 15-20 mins)

1. Greeting patient.
2. Detail explanation from patient of past medical history and current symptom.
3. Initial evaluation examination of the patient current condition.
4. Explanation with patient for medical decision/treatment plan.

Short Term Goal (RELIEF TREATMENT FREQUENCY: 12 treatments in 5-6 weeks):

Decrease Pain Scale to 5-6.

Decrease soreness sensation Scale to 40%-50%

Decrease Muscles Tightness to moderate

Decrease Muscles Tenderness to Grade 3

Decrease Muscles Spasms to Grade 2

Increase Muscles Strength to 4

Long Term Goal (ADDITIONAL MAINTENANCE & SUPPORTING TREATMENTS

FREQUENCY: 8 treatments in 5-6 weeks):

Decrease Pain Scale to 3

Decrease soreness sensation Scale to 20%-30%

Decrease Muscles Tightness to mild-moderate

Decrease Muscles Tenderness to Grade 1

Decrease Muscles Spasms to Grade 1

Increase Muscles Strength to 4+

Increase ROM 60%

Decrease impaired Activities of Daily Living to mild-moderate.

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