

## CC Acupuncture PC

PATIENT: ZHAO, SHUNNONG Gender: Female  
DOB: 09/03/1949 AGE AS OF 02/04/2026: 76y

## Subjective:

Follow up visit  
Patient reports: there is improvement of symptom(s) because of more energy level throughout the day.  
Patient still c/o pin & needles pain on lower back area without radiation, associated with muscles heaviness (scale as 50%), 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:** Constant (symptoms occur between 76% and 100% 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)

**4/5** Extension: 15 Degrees(moderate)

**4/5** Rotation to Right: 25 Degrees(mild)

**4/5** Rotation to Left: 20 Degrees(moderate)

**4/5** Flexion to the Right: 25 Degrees(mild)

**4/5** Flexion to the Left: 20 Degrees(moderate)

**Inspection:** weak muscles and dry skin without luster

tongue

big tongue with white sticky coat

pulse

string-taut

08/11/2025

## Assessment:

The patient continues treatment for midback area today.

The patient's general condition is good, compared with last treatment, the patient presents with improvement of symptom(s). The patient has reduced heaviness sensation, physical finding has reduced local muscles tenderness. Patient tolerated acupuncture treatment with positive verbal response. 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 middle 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.

Diagnosis Code: (1) Pain in thoracic spine(M54.6)

Procedure Code: (1) ACUP 1/> WO ESTIM 1ST 15 MIN(97810)

Subjective:

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Patient still c/o pin & needles pain on lower back area without radiation, associated with muscles heaviness (scale as 60%), 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**

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08/07/2025

Assessment:

The patient continues treatment for midback area today. The patient's general condition is good, compared with last treatment, the patient presents with improvement of symptom(s). The patient has reduced pain, physical finding has reduced joint ROM limitation. Patient tolerated acupuncture treatment with positive verbal response. No adverse side effect post treatment. Current patient still has Phlegm-Damp in local meridian that cause the pain.

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### Pain Scale: 6-5 /10

**Pain frequency:** Constant (symptoms occur between 76% and 100% of the time)

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Grading Scale: moderate to severe

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:

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Lumbar Muscles Strength and Spine ROM

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08/04/2025

**Assessment:**

The patient continues treatment for midback area today.

The patient's general condition is good, compared with last treatment, the patient presents with improvement of symptom(s). The patient has reduced pain, physical finding has slight increased muscles strength. Patient tolerated acupuncture treatment with positive verbal response. No adverse side effect post treatment. Current patient still has Phlegm-Damp in local meridian that cause the pain.

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**Pain Scale: 7-6 /10**

**Pain frequency:** Constant (symptoms occur between 76% and 100% of the time)

## Objective: Muscles Testing:

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Lumbar Muscles Strength and Spine ROM

**4-5** Flexion: 60 Degrees(moderate)

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**4-5** Rotation to Right: 20 Degrees(moderate)

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**4-5** Flexion to the Right: 20 Degrees(moderate)

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**Inspection:** weak muscles and dry skin without luster

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07/28/2025

## Assessment:

The patient continues treatment for midback 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 reduced heaviness sensation, physical finding has reduced local muscles tenderness. Patient

tolerated acupuncture treatment with positive verbal response. No adverse side effect post treatment.

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#### Pain Scale: 7-6 /10

Pain frequency: Constant (symptoms occur between 76% and 100% of the time)

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Grading Scale: moderate to severe

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

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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

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**Inspection:** weak muscles and dry skin without luster

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tongue  
 big tongue with white sticky coat  
 pulse  
 string-taut

**Assessment:**

The patient continues treatment for midback 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 reduced pain, physical finding has remained the same last visit. Patient tolerated acupuncture treatment with positive verbal response. No adverse side effect post treatment.

Current patient still has Phlegm-Damp in local meridian that cause the pain.

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**Pain Scale: 8 /10**

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**Inspection:** weak muscles and dry skin without luster

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**Assessment:**

The patient continues treatment for midback 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 remained the same as last time visit, physical finding has remained the same last visit. Patient tolerated acupuncture treatment with positive verbal response. No adverse side effect post treatment.  
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**Subjective: INITIAL EVALUATION**

Patient c/o Chronic pain in bilateral midback which is pin & needles without radiation. The patient has been complaining of the pain for 8 year(s) which got worse in recent 3 week(s) . The pain is associated with muscles heaviness (scale as 70%) due to age related/degenerative changes, strain when pick up heavy object from floor.

The pain is exacerbated by Standing after sitting for long time, Stair climbing, Prolong walking. There is moderate to severe difficulty with ADLs like Standing for long periods of time, Walking for long periods of time.

Changing positions, Resting, Massage 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, lower back, hand comes and goes, which is less severe compared to the in bilateral lower back pain.

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

**Pain Frequency:** Constant (symptoms occur between 76% and 100% of the time)

Walking aid :none

**Medical history/Contraindication or Precision:** Hypertension, Heart Disease

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Grading Scale: moderate to severe

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**Inspection:** weak muscles and dry skin without luster

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big tongue with white sticky coat

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string-taut

Assessment: TCM Dx:

Middle 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 bilateral midback.

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 heaviness sensation Scale to 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 heaviness sensation Scale to 30%

Decrease Muscles Tightness to mild-moderate

Decrease Muscles Tenderness to Grade 1

Decrease Muscles Spasms to Grade 1

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Increase Muscles Strength to 4+  
Increase ROM 60%  
Decrease Impaired Activities of Daily Living to mild-moderate.

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