Orthopaedic Unit Department of Surgery

25th March, 2020

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN

RE: IBEZIM IKENNA/MALE/21YEARS/ HOSPITAL NO.0 4274

The above named former Babcock University student presented at the Accident and Emergency unit of this hospital on the 22nd of September 2017 with inability to bear weight on the right leg of 1 day duration following hard tackle he sustained while playing soccer. It was associated with a sharp pain, an open wound, progressive swelling, and a deformed distal right leg. There was however no history of bleeding from any craniofacial orifice, nil loss of consciousness.

History, clinical examination and an X-ray done were in keeping with Gustillo I right midshaft comminuted displaced tibio-fibular fracture.

He was stabilized, given analgesics, antibiotics, tetanus prophylaxis, placed on an above knee backslab and also commenced physiotherapy with none weight bearing axillary crutches. He was subsequently counselled and worked up for an Open reduction with internal fixation with interlocking intramedullary nail of the right tibia which was done on the 3rd of October 2017.

The procedure involved a Tibia ASCO nail inserted after fracture reduction with proximal (dynamic) and distal interlocking screws both inserted over a guide.

A post-operative check X-ray was done which showed a well-placed intramedullary nail with 90% apposition.

He was commenced on IV ceftriaxone, IV Pentazocine and commenced physiotherapy with none weight bearing axillary crutches the following day.

He was discharged 3 weeks post-op after making significant clinical improvement and counselled on weekly clinic visits and alternate day surgical site wound dressing.

He commenced partial weight bearing with crutches at 2 months post-op and with walking stick at 3months post-op.

He was however last seen at the orthopedic clinic on the 10th of January 2018.

In view of the above kindly accord him all necessary assistance.

Thank you.

Yours faithfully,

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