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FOLLOW-UP VISIT via In-Office

**PATIENT NAME**: MICHAEL HUNTER **DATE OF BIRTH**: 04/02/1968

DATE OF EVALUATION: 07/22/2025 DATE OF DICTATION: 07/22/2025 PHYSICIAN: Robert Klickovich, M.D

Provider: Taja Elder, APRN Referring Physician: Gunn Insurance: Humana, Medicaid

Location: Louisville
CMA: Tammy
Room #: 2

**CHIEF COMPLAINT**: The patients worst pain complaint today is located in their low back, neck in addition to their other bilateral hip pain complaints and presents today to the clinic today for a routine f/u of their usual pain complaints and/or medication refill; flare up of known pain complaints especially pain in the low back.

## **HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS**: Since their last visit, the:

Pain is: Less tolerable

**Activity** level/functioning is: Worse **Social** Relationships are: The same

Job Performance is (if working): The same

Sleep Patterns are: Worse

#### **CHARACTERISTICS OF PAIN INCLUDE:**

**Temporally it is:** continuous baseline pain with frequent painful exacerbations.

**Qualitatively** it is: Burning, Stabbing, Numb, Tingling, Aching, Throbbing, Deep, Crampy **Numeric** Scale rating of (?/10): Average: 4/10. Best: 4/10. W/meds: 1/10. W/o meds: 9/10.

**Social Hx** significant for: **Working status of**: Disabled

#### **REVIEW OF SYSTEMS:**

### ALLERGIC SYMPTOMS INCLUDE: NEUROLOGICAL SYMPTOMS INCLUDE:

Allergies to new Meds/Foods: No.

Hives and Itchy skin: No.

Sneezing: No.

Hay fever: No.

Worsening Weakness in limbs: No.

Worsening Sensation in limbs: No.

Numbness/tingling sensations: No.

Loss of Bowel or Bladder: No.

Red Itchy eyes: No. New convulsions or seizures: No.

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### **Patient Compliance with Treatment Plan**

	Yes	No	N.A.	Comments
U-tox and/or Pill Count O.K.?		No		06/24/2025 positive THC
KASPER report O.K.?	Yes			06/25/2025 LFD
Participates in PT or home exercise	Yes			HEP 3 times per week. Number of sessions done:
prgm				Ongoing
Ordered imaging studies completed			NA	
Participated in Weight Loss Prgm		No		Increased 2 lbs. BMI: 26.5. Weight: Gain
Participated with Counselor if	Yes			Whitten
recommended				

### **PHYSICAL EXAMINATION:**

Vitals: BP: \_\_. Ht: \_\_ feet \_\_ inches. Wt: \_\_ lbs. BMI: \_\_ General appearance is: Well groomed and content Orientation to person, place, and time is: Correct

Mood and Affect are: Appropriate

**Gait** is: and with No assistive device, Antalgic **Station** (stance) is: within normal limits and steady **Cardiovascularly** ankle swelling is: Not present

Lymphadenopathy in the cervical and or inguinal lymph node chain is? Not present

Coordination and Balance shows Romberg test is: Negative

Motor Function: No stated and observed change in motor and/or sensory function since last visit.

Date: 07/22/2025 Pre-existing CC: Low back

Palpation revealed: Positive muscle tenderness Positive joint tenderness

R.O.M. revealed:

Positive decrease in gross movement

### The following findings of ESTABLISHED complaints were positive:

Cervical spine tenderness of paraspinal muscles bilaterally

Traps/levator scapula tenderness bilaterally

Pain (worst) with extension.

Cervical facet loading signs bilaterally at C5-T1

Lumbar spine tenderness of paraspinal and or quadratus muscles bilaterally Gluteal tenderness bilaterally Quadrant test bilaterally

Lumbar facet loading signs at bilaterally at L2-L5

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Slump/SLR bilaterally Patrick test bilaterally SIJ tenderness bilaterally

(hip) Squat test
Trochanteric bursa tenderness bilaterally
ROM is grossly decreased bilaterally
Patrick's test. bilaterally
FADIR (flexion, adduction and medial hip rotation) bilaterally

#### ASSESSMENT:

- 1. Facet Arthropathy M46.92
- 2. Spondylosis-Cervical M47.812
- 3. Cervicalgia M54.2
- 4. Facet Arthropathy, Lumbar M46.96
- 5. Facet Spondylosis M47.816
- 6. Lumbago NOS/Low Back Pain M54.50
- 7. Hip Trochanteric Bursitis Right M70.61
- 8. Hip Trochanteric Bursitis Left M70.62
- 9. Hip DJD Right M16.11
- 10. Hip DJD Left M16.12
- 11. Anxiety F41.9
- 12. Chronic Pain G89.29
- 13. Depression F32.9
- 14. Myalgia (Myofascial) Pain M79.18
- 15. Neuropathy Peripheral G60.9

### **Follow-Up Plan:**

F/u severity of non-compliance per history is: None

F/u Review completed for: U-Tox/ORT, KASPER Report, Medication list, Nursing/chart notes, Treatment goals, plan and U-Tox log.

As discussed during the initial consultation with the patient and as monitored during subsequent clinic visits, the patient will:

- Engage physical therapy with an initial evaluation and then learn their recommended treatment exercises. The
  learned exercises will continue at the patient home as part of a home based exercise program. Additionally, if
  spinal column problems exist then learning and implementing the McKenzie stabilization exercises is consistently
  recommended.
- 2. Participate in a weight loss program if their BMI=30. This includes learning the Myfitnesspal.com free application for which user instructions were given to the patient during the initial visit. A consultation with a dietician was also recommended initially if they are diabetic.
- 3. Participate in a behavioral health program if diagnosed with either depression, bipolar, or other mental disorders with an emphasis on learning coping skill. Specifically, mastery of the techniques employing distraction and guided-imagery is encouraged.
- 4. Unless noted elsewhere, all other problems (diagnosis) have been stable/addressed and current treatment is to continue (eg O.A., D.M., BMI, Neuropathy)

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If the patient received 50% pain relief from their last procedure, then this intervention will be continued. Otherwise, the current treatment plan and procedures will be changed as appropriate

### F/u Orders:

Will not order a Urine Drug Test (UDT)

#### MEDICATION MANAGEMENT:

- 1. Due to acceptable ADL, efficacy tolerance the C.S. dosing was unchanged (or no additional C.S.).
- 2. Celebrex 100 mg, b.i.d, p.r.n.
- 3. Continue Norco 7.5 mg, q.i.d, p.r.n. #120 (50% pain relief obtained)
- 4. Continue Lyrica 150 mg, b.i.d. #60 (50% pain relief obtained)
- 5. Continue cymbalta 30 mg, q.d. #30 (50% pain relief obtained)
- 6. Continue Tizanidine 4 mg, 1-2 tabs, q.h.s, p.r.n. #60 (50% pain relief obtained)

#### INJECTIONS:

1. Later schedule trigger point injection at p.r.n

For the planned procedure(s), if any, considerable time was spent explaining the risks, benefits and alternatives. All questions were answered including common complications to planned procedure along with remedies for the potential complications. Handouts were also given to the patient as appropriate including procedure and educational videos at www.tinyurl.com/PROCEDURE-Oct2022. if applicable, the patient was told to stop taking all anti coagulant medications for 3-5 days. The specific cessation interval depends on both the anti coagulants they are on and the type of procedure scheduled.

Once the patient has fully engaged and completed the initial treatment plan as documented over the course of multiple clinic visits, then Maximum Medical Improvement (MMI) will be achieved. Additionally, if the patient is taking narcotics, then this will be tapered down over a 3-6 month period as tolerated by patient.

### Follow-up Appointment in: Four weeks

Taja Elder, APRN personally performed todays follow-up evaluation and treatment plan of the patient, while Dr. Robert Klickovich (or different Physician noted/documented above) provided direct supervision of the APRN and was immediately available to assist if needed during todays follow-up patient encounter. A clinic physician had previously performed the initial service evaluation of the patient while Dr. Robert Klickovich currently remains actively involved in the patient's progress and treatment plan including approving changes in medication type, strength, or dosing interval or any other aspect of their care plan.

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