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DISCHARGE SUMMARY NAME :

NINSRUDES , LI

UNIT NUMBER :

497-36-84

ADMISSION DATE :

11/16/2004

DISCHARGE DATE :

11/18/2004

DIAGNOSIS :

Low back pain .

BRIEF HOSPITAL COURSE :

This very pleasant 37-year-old gentleman has a long history of low back pain and L4-L5 and S1 disk disease who started complaining of increased low back pain over the week preceding this admission .

He had had a previous epidural injection by Dr. Ice , but he states that the pain over the week prior to his admission made it very difficult for him to ambulate and bear weight on his left lower extremity .

He also had shooting pain down his left leg .

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY :

Notably , the patient 's past medical history is significant for only the back pain .

PAST SURGICAL HISTORY :

Significant for a cholecystectomy .

MEDICATIONS AT TIME OF ADMISSION :

Included Vicodin , Motrin , and Tylenol .

ALLERGIES :

The patient claimed a medical allergy to penicillin with a reaction unknown .

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION :

Otherwise the patient , on examination , was alert and oriented x3 , in no apparent distress on general examination .

The patient had 4/5 quadriceps strength on his left lower extremity , as well as 4/5 strength in his tibial ends , EHL , and gastrocnemius soleus .

On the right side , he had 5/5 strength in his entire right lower extremity .

Reflex examination showed 2+ reflexes on the left , as far as his patellar reflex , and 1+ on the right .

MRI taken at the time of initial evaluation in the Ro Woodma Healthcare emergency department showed _multiple_ levels of degenerative joint disease and multifactorial spinal stenosis mostly at L4-L5 with central disk herniation .

ASSESSMENT :

The patient was discussed with Dr. Levels and was admitted for pain control and discussion for possible discectomy if his pain did not improve .

Over the subsequent two hospital days , the patient 's pain was managed with a combination of intravenous morphine and p.o. Percocet .

The patient 's pain level was brought under control on this regimen , and surgical intervention was discussed with the patient and he said he would decide on this after discussion with his wife .

On November 18 , 2004 , as the patient 's pain level was under adequate control , the patient was discharged with a prescription for Percocet and instructions to follow up with Dr. Levels in approximately two to three weeks ; he should call for an appointment .

As far as his activity , he was activity as tolerated and should avoid lifting heavy objects .

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