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MRI EXAM OF THE LUMBAR SPINE WITHOUT CONTRAST

INDICATION: S/P MVA. Low back pain.

TECHNIQUE: MRI exam of the lumbar spine was performed in sagittal and axial planes using T1 and T2-weighted sequences.

COMPARISON: There are no prior exams for comparison.

FINDINGS: The lumbar vertebral bodies are normal in height and alignment. There is no fracture or focal bony lesion. The conus medullaris is at the T12 level and is normal in appearance. There is no intraspinal mass.

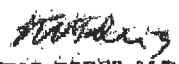
The lumbar disks maintain normal height and signal intensity. There is bulging of the L4/5 disc with a focal central and right lateral herniation of the nucleus pulposus, acute in appearance. There is encroachment of the anterior subarachnoid space and right neural foramen with impingement of nerve roots centrally and on the right. Facet joint hypertrophy and central stenosis.

Remainder of the lumbar disks maintain normal contour.

IMPRESSION:

1. Intact lumbar vertebral bodies; no fracture or focal bony lesion.
2. Focal acute central and right lateral herniation of the nucleus pulposus at the L4/5 level with impingement of nerve roots centrally and on the right and with central stenosis.
3. Normal conus medullaris.

Thank you for the opportunity to participate in the care of this patient.


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