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Re: Bello, Ruben DOB: 03/10/1961 DOA: 08/02/2022

INITIAL ORTHOPEDIC CONSULT EXAMINATION

CHIEF COMPLAINT: Right shoulder pain.

HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS: A 61-year-old right-hand dominant male involved in a motor vehicle accident on 08/02/2022. The patient was a driver and was wearing a seatbelt. The vehicle was struck on the front side. The airbags deployed. The EMS arrived on the scene. The police were called to the scene of the accident. The patient was transported via ambulance to NYC Health + Hospitals/Lincoln and was treated and released the same day. The patient presents today complaining of right shoulder pain sustained in the motor vehicle accident. The patient was attending physical therapy for the last 3 months with no relief.

WORK HISTORY: The patient is currently not working.

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY: Diabetes, hypertension, and hyperlipidemia. There is a previous history of trauma, MVA about 7 years ago.

PAST SURGICAL HISTORY: Left shoulder arthroscopy about 7 years ago.

DRUG ALLERGIES: NO KNOWN DRUG ALLERGIES.

MEDICATIONS: The patient is taking metformin 500 mg, chlorothiazide 30 mg, lisinopril 40 mg, carvedilol 12.5 mg, and atorvastatin 40 mg.

SOCIAL HISTORY: The patient is a nonsmoker. The patient does not drink alcohol. The patient does not use recreational drugs.

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ADL CAPABILITIES: As a direct result of the injuries sustained in this accident, the patient states that he is unable to do the following activities: driving, lifting heavy objects, carrying, reaching overhead, laundry, shopping, running errands, and exercising.

PRESENT COMPLAINTS: Right shoulder: Right shoulder pain is 8/10, described as constant, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has stiffness, weakness, popping, and clicking. The patient is able to reach overhead and able to reach behind the back, but is unable to sleep at night due to pain. Worse with range of motion and improves with rest.

REVIEW OF SYSTEMS: Temperature taken at the time of exam was 98.6 degrees Fahrenheit.

General: No fever, chills, night sweats, weight gain, or weight loss.

HEENT: No double vision, eye pain, eye redness, decreased hearing, earache, ear ringing,

nosebleeds, sore throat or hoarseness.

Endocrine: No cold intolerance, appetite changes or hair changes.

Skin: Clear, no rashes or lesions.

Neuro: No headaches, dizziness, vertigo or tremor.

Respiratory: No wheezing, coughing, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing.

Cardiovascular: No chest pain, murmurs, or irregular heart rate. The patient has hypertension.

GI: No nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, constipation, jaundice or changes in bowel habits. **GU**: No blood in urine, painful urination, loss of bladder control or urinary retention.

Hematology: No active bleeding, bruising, anemia or blood clotting disorders. **Psychiatric:** No anxiety, change in sleep pattern, depression or suicidal thoughts.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION: The patient's height is 5 feet 6 inches, weight is 182 pounds, and BMI is 29.4. The right shoulder reveals tenderness to palpation over supraspinatus tendon region, AC joint, and proximal biceps tendon. There is crepitus appreciated. There is no heat, swelling, erythema or deformity appreciated. Negative drop arm test. Positive cross-over test. Positive empty can test. Positive Yergason test. Negative deltoid atrophy. Negative O'Brien test. Positive impingement sign. Positive Lift-off test. Positive Hawkins test. Range of motion, as per goniometer, abduction 105/180 degrees, adduction 35/45 degrees, forward flexion 110/180 degrees, extension 40/60 degrees, internal rotation 40/90 degrees, and external rotation 50/90 degrees. Internal rotation to the sacrum. The patient has no motor or sensory deficit of the right upper extremity.

DIAGNOSTIC TESTING: MRI of the right shoulder, done on 10/19/2022, shows arthrosis of the AC joint with impingement. Atrophy of the rotator cuff with elevation of the humeral head and a decrease in the acromiohumeral interval with mild fluid in the subacromial bursa compatible with mild bursitis, severe fluid in the joint capsule compatible with severe synovitis, and mild fluid in the subcoracoid bursa compatible with mild subcoracoid bursitis. The majority of the rotator cuff findings are presumably secondary to the AC joint arthrosis. Clinical correlation with history and symptomatology/signs is requested. The visualized portions of the labrum are intact.

ASSESSMENT:

1. M24.811 Internal derangement, right shoulder.

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- 2. M75.81 Shoulder tendinitis, right shoulder.
- 3. M75.41 Impingement, right shoulder.
- 4. M65.811 Tenosynovitis, right shoulder.
- 5. M75.51 Bursitis, right shoulder.
- 6. M25.511 Pain, right shoulder.
- 7. S49.91XA Injury, right shoulder.
- 8. M67.211 Hypertrophic synovitis, right shoulder.
- 9. M89.311 Acromioclavicular joint hypertrophy, right shoulder.
- 10. M25.411 Joint effusion, right shoulder.

PLAN:

- 1. Imaging studies and clinical examinations were reviewed with the patient.
- 2. All treatment options discussed with the patient.
- 3. Cold compresses for right shoulder.
- 4. Continue anti-inflammatory and muscle relaxant medications p.r.n.
- 5. Continue physical therapy for right shoulder 3 days/week.
- 6. Status post injection for right shoulder, no improvement.
- 7. Discussed right shoulder arthroscopy versus conservative management with the patient. The patient states that due to continual pain and lack of relief with physical therapy and the inability to perform day-to-day activities due to pain, the patient wants to think about surgery.
- 8. It is medically necessary to perform the suggested surgery to properly diagnose the patient's condition and to objectively verify presence and severity of internal derangement and other right shoulder pathology in quantitative and qualitative terms and achieve better prognosis. This surgery is crucial to provide most specific and maximally effective treatment to this patient.
- 9. Discussed the length of the arthroscopy, the postoperative instructions, and the option of continuing with conservative management alternatives to surgery, including no surgery.
- 10. All the benefits and risks of the right shoulder arthroscopy have been discussed with the patient. The risks include, but not limited to bleeding, infection, pain, stiffness, muscle injury, nerve injury, DVT, and recurrence.
- 11. All the questions in regard to the procedure were answered.
- 12. Follow up in January for decision, going away.

<u>CAUSALITY</u>: It is within a certain degree of medical certainty, that the history presented by the patient, the objective physical findings as well as the diagnosis rendered is causally related to the injury the patient incurred on the specified date. These current symptoms were nonexistent prior to the accident. Findings were discussed with the patient.

AFFIRMATION: Being duly licensed to practice medicine in the state of New York, pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Civil Practice Laws and Rules, I hereby affirm under penalty of perjury that the statements contained herein are true and accurate.

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