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Re: Puente, Esther DOB: 03/09/1986 DOA: 07/09/2022

FOLLOW-UP NOTE

CHIEF COMPLAINT: Follow up of right shoulder, left shoulder, right knee, and left knee pain.

HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS: The patient presents today in followup with continued pain in the right shoulder and left shoulder and to evaluate pain in the right knee and left knee.

ADL CAPABILITIES: The patient states that she can walk for 1/2 block. She can stand for 5 minutes before she has to sit. She can sit for 5 minutes before needing to change positions secondary to pain. As a direct result of the injuries sustained in this accident, the patient states that she is unable to do the following activities: driving, lifting heavy objects, carrying heavy objects, reaching overhead, laundry, shopping, running errands, kneeling, squatting, negotiating stairs, jogging and exercising.

PRESENT COMPLAINTS: Right shoulder: Right shoulder pain is 10/10, 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 and physical therapy.

Left shoulder: Left shoulder pain is 7/10, described as intermittent, 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. Worse with range of motion and improves with rest and physical therapy.

Right knee: Right knee pain is 8/10, described as intermittent, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has stiffness and weakness. The patient has difficulty rising from a chair and has

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difficulty going up and down stairs. The patient also notes clicking, popping, buckling, and intermittent locking. Worse with range of motion and improves with rest.

Left knee: Left knee pain is 5/10, described as intermittent, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has no difficulty rising from a chair, but has difficulty going up and down stairs. The patient also notes clicking, popping, buckling, and intermittent locking. Worse with range of motion and improves with rest and physical therapy.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION: 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 115/180 degrees, extension 40/60 degrees, internal rotation 40/90 degrees, and external rotation 65/90 degrees. Internal rotation to the sacrum. The patient has no motor or sensory deficit of the right upper extremity.

The left 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 110/180 degrees, adduction 40/45 degrees, forward flexion 120/180 degrees, extension 45/60 degrees, internal rotation 45/90 degrees, and external rotation 60/90 degrees. Internal rotation to the sacrum. The patient has no motor or sensory deficit of the left upper extremity.

The right knee reveals tenderness along the medial joint line, lateral joint line, superior pole of the patella, and inferior pole of the patella. There is crepitus appreciated. There is no heat, swelling, erythema or deformity appreciated. Negative McMurray test. Positive Lachman test. Positive patellofemoral grinding test. Positive anterior drawer. Negative posterior drawer. Range of motion reveals flexion 90/130 degrees and extension 4/5 degrees. Knee is stable with varus and valgus stress test. The patient has no motor or sensory deficit of the right lower extremity.

The left knee reveals tenderness along the superior pole of the patella and inferior pole of the patella. There is no heat, swelling, erythema, crepitus or deformity appreciated. Negative McMurray test. Positive Lachman test. Positive patellofemoral grinding test. Positive anterior drawer. Negative posterior drawer. Range of motion reveals flexion 90/130 degrees and extension 4/5 degrees. Knee is stable with varus and valgus stress test. The patient has no motor or sensory deficit of the left lower extremity.

DIAGNOSTIC TESTING: MRI of the right shoulder, done on 10/19/2022, shows arthrosis and malalignment of the AC joint with impingement. Myotendinous supraspinatus strain/interstitial

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tear with associated tenosynovitis/bursitis as discussed in the body of the report. Mild to moderate fluid in the subcoracoid bursa compatible with subcoracoid bursitis. The visualized portions of the labrum are unremarkable. MRI of the left shoulder, done on 10/03/2022, shows effusion at the glenohumeral joint. Tendinopathy of the supraspinatus tendon with partial tear of the anterior leading edge. Tendinopathy of the infraspinatus tendon. MRI of the right knee, done on 10/19/2022, shows presence of joint fluid compatible with synovitis. The anterior and posterior cruciate ligaments as well as the medial and lateral collateral ligament complexes are intact. The meniscal structures are intact. In the given clinical setting of trauma, the study is otherwise inconclusive which implies the need for further clinical investigation. MRI of the left knee, done on 10/25/2022, shows presence of joint fluid compatible with synovitis. Small posteromedial ganglion cyst. Increased signal and swelling of the ACL compatible with an ACL grade I sprain. The meniscal structures are intact.

ASSESSMENT:

- 1. S46.011A Partial rotator cuff tear, right shoulder.
- 2. M24.811 Internal derangement, right shoulder.
- 3. M75.81 Shoulder tendinitis, right shoulder.
- 4. M75.41 Impingement, right shoulder.
- 5. M75.51 Bursitis, right shoulder.
- 6. M25.511 Pain, right shoulder.
- 7. S49.91XA Injury, right shoulder.
- 8. M89.311 Acromioclavicular joint hypertrophy, right shoulder.
- 9. M25.411 Joint effusion, right shoulder.
- 10. S46.012A Partial rotator cuff tear, left shoulder.
- 11. M24.812 Internal derangement, left shoulder.
- 12. M75.82 Shoulder tendinitis, left shoulder.
- 13. M75.42 Impingement, left shoulder.
- 14. M25.512 Pain, left shoulder.
- 15. S49.92XA Injury, left shoulder.
- 16. M25.412 Joint effusion, left shoulder.
- 17. M23.91 Internal derangement, right knee.
- 18. M25.461 Joint effusion, right knee.
- 19. S80.911A Injury, right knee.
- 20. M25.561 Pain, right knee.
- 21. M65.161 Synovitis, right knee.
- 22. M23.92 Internal derangement, left knee.
- 23. S83.512A Anterior cruciate ligament sprain, left knee.
- 24. M25.462 Joint effusion, left knee.
- 25. S80.912A Injury, left knee.
- 26. M25.562 Pain, left knee.
- 27. M65.162 Synovitis, left knee.

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, left shoulder, right knee, and left knee.
- 4. Continue anti-inflammatory and muscle relaxant medications p.r.n.
- 5. Continue physical therapy for right shoulder, left shoulder, right knee, and left knee 3 days/week.
- 6. Recommend steroid injections with pain management for right shoulder, left shoulder, right knee, and left knee. The patient refuses due to side effects.
- 7. Discussed right shoulder, left shoulder, right knee, and left knee 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 would like to proceed with surgery.
- 8. The patient needs medical clearance prior to surgery. Workers' Compensation Board authorization needed prior to surgery.
- 9. 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, left shoulder, right knee, and left knee 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.
- 10. Discussed the length of the arthroscopy, the postoperative instructions, and the option of continuing with conservative management alternatives to surgery, including no surgery.
- 11. All the benefits and risks of the right shoulder, left shoulder, right knee, and left knee 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.
- 12. All the questions in regard to the procedure were answered.
- 13. The patient verbally consents for the arthroscopy of right shoulder and left shoulder and the patient will be scheduled for left shoulder surgery. On the day of the surgery, before the procedure, the surgeon will explain all related questions of the procedure. The patient will sign a written consent and be witnessed by the surgeon.
- 14. The patient will follow up 1-2 weeks postop or in 2 months if surgery has not been performed yet.

IMPAIRMENT RATING: 50%. The patient is currently working.

<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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