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Re: Hernandez, Elvira

DOB: 05/15/1985 DOA: 06/08/2022

FOLLOW-UP NOTE

CHIEF COMPLAINT: Follow up of right shoulder and right ankle pain.

HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS: The patient presents today in followup with continued pain in the right shoulder and right ankle.

ADL CAPABILITIES: The patient states that she can walk for 3-4 blocks. She can stand for 10 minutes before she has to sit. She can sit for 30 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: lifting heavy objects, childcare, carrying heavy objects, reaching overhead, laundry, shopping, running errands, kneeling, squatting, negotiating stairs, jogging and exercising.

PRESENT COMPLAINTS: Right shoulder: Right shoulder pain is 8/10, described as intermittent, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has stiffness and weakness. The patient is able to reach overhead, able to reach behind the back, and unable to sleep at night due to pain.

Right ankle: Right ankle pain is 10/10, described as intermittent, dull, achy pain. The patient has pain with standing, walking, and climbing. Worse with range of motion and improves with rest.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION: The right shoulder reveals tenderness to palpation over supraspinatus tendon region and AC joint. 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 130/180 degrees, adduction 30/45 degrees, forward flexion 135/180 degrees, internal rotation 55/90 degrees, and external rotation 60/90 degrees.

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Internal rotation to the sacrum. The patient has no motor or sensory deficit of the right upper extremity.

The right ankle reveals negative anterior drawer test. Positive inversion stress test. Tenderness to palpation noted in the lateral aspect. Range of motion is limited and painful. ROM: Dorsiflexion 10/20 degrees, plantarflexion 40/50 degrees, inversion 10/15 degrees, eversion 10/15 degrees.

DIAGNOSTIC TESTING: MRI of the right shoulder, done on 06/23/2022, shows partial tear of the distal supraspinatus tendon. Partial tear of the distal subscapularis tendon. Edema in the distal clavicle and adjacent acromion with fluid in the acromioclavicular joint, consistent with recent trauma. Fluid in the subacromial/subdeltoid bursa suggestive of underlying rotator cuff tears and/or subacromial/subdeltoid bursitis, in an appropriate clinical setting. MRI of the right ankle, done on 08/29/2022, shows posterior talar process appears prominent with surrounding fluid suggestive of posterior ankle impingement, in an appropriate clinical setting. The flexor and peroneal tendon sheaths are distended with fluid consistent with tenosynovitis. Fluid in the tibiotalar and subtalar joints consistent with trauma or synovitis, in an appropriate clinical setting.

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. M75.51 Bursitis, right shoulder.
- 5. M25.511 Pain, right shoulder.
- 6. S49.91XA Injury, right shoulder.
- 7. M25.411 Joint effusion, right shoulder.
- 8. M24.871 Internal derangement, right ankle.
- 9. M25.571 Pain, right ankle.

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 and right ankle.
- 4. Continue anti-inflammatory and muscle relaxant medications p.r.n.
- 5. Continue physical therapy for right shoulder and right ankle 3 days/week.
- 6. Recommend steroid injections with pain management for right ankle. The patient accepts and consider doing injection on the date of right shoulder surgery.
- 7. Discussed right shoulder and right ankle 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. 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 and right ankle 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 and right ankle 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. The patient verbally consents for the arthroscopy of right shoulder and the patient will be scheduled for right 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.
- 13. The patient will follow up 1-2 weeks postop or in 2 months if surgery has not been performed yet.

<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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