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Re: Ellis-Dixon, Claudine

DOB: 10/27/1974 DOA: 06/26/2022

## **FOLLOW-UP NOTE**

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

**HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS:** The patient presents today in followup with continued pain in the left shoulder 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:** Left shoulder: Left shoulder pain is 7/10, described as constant, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient is unable to reach overhead, unable to reach behind the back, and unable to sleep at night due to pain.

Left knee: Left knee pain is 8/10, described as intermittent, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has difficulty rising from a chair and has difficulty going up and down stairs. The patient also notes clicking, popping, buckling, and intermittent locking.

History of sleep apnea, not using CPAP. No outpatient surgery for this patient (high risk).

**PHYSICAL EXAMINATION:** The left shoulder reveals tenderness to palpation over supraspinatus tendon region. There is no heat, swelling, erythema, crepitus or deformity appreciated. Negative drop arm test. Negative cross-over test. Negative empty can test. Negative Yergason test. Negative deltoid atrophy. Negative O'Brien test. Positive impingement sign. Negative Lift-off test. Positive Hawkins test. Range of motion, as per goniometer, abduction 120/180 degrees, adduction 40/45 degrees, forward flexion 120/180 degrees, extension 50/60 degrees, internal rotation 80/90 degrees, and external rotation 80/90 degrees. Internal rotation to the sacrum. The patient has no motor or sensory deficit of the left upper extremity.

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The left knee reveals tenderness along the superior pole of the patella. There is swelling and crepitus appreciated. There is no heat, erythema or deformity appreciated. Negative McMurray test. Negative Lachman test. Negative patellofemoral grinding test. Negative anterior drawer. Negative posterior drawer. Range of motion reveals flexion 100/130 degrees and extension 5/5 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 left shoulder, done on 08/16/2022, shows increased T2 signal in the anterior aspect of the greater tubercle, consistent with bone contusion/nondisplaced fracture. CT of the left shoulder is recommended for further evaluation. Partial tear of the distal subscapularis tendon. Several subcentimeter subcortical cysts in the humeral head under the insertion of the rotator cuff. MRI of the left knee, done on 08/16/2022, shows complex tear of the posterior horn/body of the medial meniscus. Horizontal tear in the anterior horn of the lateral meniscus. Several subcentimeter erosive/osteochondral lesions on the patellar articular surface and anterior articular surface of the lateral femoral condyle, consistent with chronic impact injury. Moderate osteoarthritic changes in the patellofemoral and medial compartment of the knee and mild osteoarthritic changes in the lateral compartment. Anterior subcutaneous soft tissue swelling and edema, consistent with recent trauma, in an appropriate clinical setting. Mild lateral chronic patellar subluxation. Moderate joint effusion consistent with recent trauma or synovitis; in an appropriate clinical setting. Anterior subcutaneous soft tissue swelling and edema, consistent with recent trauma, in an appropriate clinical setting.

## **ASSESSMENT:**

- 1. M24.812 Internal derangement, left shoulder.
- 2. M75.02 Adhesive Capsulitis, left shoulder.
- 3. M75.42 Impingement, left shoulder.
- 4. M25.512 Pain, left shoulder.
- 5. S49.92XA Injury, left shoulder.
- 6. M23.92 Internal derangement, left knee.
- 7. M25.462 Joint effusion, left knee.
- 8. M12.569 Traumatic arthropathy, left knee.
- 9. S80.912A Injury, left knee.
- 10. M25.562 Pain, 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 left shoulder and left knee.
- 4. Continue anti-inflammatory and muscle relaxant medications p.r.n.
- 5. Continue physical therapy for left shoulder and left knee 3 days/week.
- 6. High risk for outpatient surgery, BMI is 48.3.
- 7. I advised this patient to have surgery as inpatient in hospital for safety reason.
- 8. Follow up in 4 weeks.

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<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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