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Re: Melendez, Daniel

DOB: 08/07/1979 DOA: 04/25/2022

INITIAL ORTHOPEDIC CONSULT EXAMINATION

CHIEF COMPLAINT: Right shoulder, left shoulder, right knee, and left knee pain.

HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS: A 43-year-old right-hand dominant male involved in a motor vehicle accident on 04/25/2022. The patient was a driver and was wearing a seatbelt. The vehicle was struck on the rear side. The airbags did not deploy. The EMS arrived on the scene. The police were called to the scene of the accident. The patient did not go to any hospital that same day. The patient presents today complaining of right shoulder, left shoulder, right knee, and left knee pain sustained in the motor vehicle accident. The patient was attending physical therapy for the last 5 months with good relief.

WORK HISTORY: The patient is currently not working.

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY: Noncontributory. There is no previous history of trauma.

PAST SURGICAL HISTORY: Left knee surgery on February of 2021 status post fall fracture repair with wiring.

DRUG ALLERGIES: NO KNOWN DRUG ALLERGIES.

MEDICATIONS: The patient is taking pain medications p.r.n.

SOCIAL HISTORY: The patient smokes socially. The patient does not drink alcohol. The patient does use recreational drugs daily.

ADL CAPABILITIES: The patient states that he can walk for 3-4 blocks. He can stand for 60 minutes before he has to sit. He can sit for 60 minutes before needing to change positions

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secondary to pain. As a direct result of the injuries sustained in this accident, the patient states that he is unable to do the following activities: play sports, 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 intermittent, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has stiffness, weakness, popping, and clicking. The patient is able to reach overhead, able to reach behind the back, and unable to sleep at night due to pain. Worse with range of motion and improves with rest.

Left shoulder: Left shoulder pain is 4/10, described as intermittent, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has stiffness and weakness. 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 10/10, described as intermittent, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has stiffness and weakness. The patient has difficulty rising from a chair and has 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 10/10, described as intermittent, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has stiffness and weakness. The patient has difficulty rising from a chair and has difficulty going up and down stairs. The patient also notes clicking and popping. Worse with range of motion and improves with rest and physical therapy.

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, irregular heart rate or 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 6 feet 1 inches, weight is 235 pounds, and BMI is 31. 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 100/180 degrees, adduction 35/45 degrees, forward

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flexion 115/180 degrees, extension 35/60 degrees, internal rotation 35/90 degrees, and external rotation 55/90 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. 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 125/180 degrees, extension 40/60 degrees, internal rotation 45/90 degrees, and external rotation 65/90 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 lateral joint line, superior pole of patella, and inferior pole of the patella. There is crepitus appreciated. There is no heat, swelling, erythema or deformity appreciated. Positive McMurray test. Negative Lachman test. Positive patellofemoral grinding test. Negative anterior drawer. Negative posterior drawer. Range of motion reveals flexion 80/130 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 patella and inferior pole of the patella. There is crepitus appreciated. There is no heat, swelling, erythema or deformity appreciated. Negative McMurray test. Negative Lachman test. Positive patellofemoral grinding test. Negative anterior drawer. Negative posterior drawer. Range of motion reveals flexion 95/130 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 08/01/2022, shows os acromiale. Partial tear of the distal infraspinatus tendon favoring the footprint of the anterior fibers and articular surface, without retraction. Mild acromioclavicular joint separation with an acromioclavicular joint effusion. The ligaments appear grossly intact. No labral tears appreciated. MRI of the left shoulder, done on 08/01/2022, shows partial tear of the distal supraspinatus tendon involving the most posterior fibers. There is a small intramuscular ganglion cyst noted along the anterior margin of the supraspinatus. Partial tear of the distal infraspinatus tendon by the footprint without retraction. Os acromiale. MRI of the right knee, done on 07/07/2022, shows mild joint effusion. Patella alta. Edema at the superolateral aspect of the Hoffa's fat pad consistent with patellar tendon lateral femoral condyle friction syndrome. Partial tearing and tendinosis of the proximal patellar tendon favoring the posterior aspect. Small osteophyte of the inferior aspect of the patella. Small bone contusion/trabecular fracture involving the lateral aspect of the lateral femoral condyle including a small portion of the weight bearing aspect. Tear involving the anterior horn of the lateral meniscus. MRI of the left knee, done on 07/07/2022, shows mild joint effusion with a small popliteal cyst. Post-operative changes at the inferior aspect of the patella at the patellar tendon. Correlation with the previous surgical history is recommended. Patella alta. Small bone contusion/trabecular fracture involving Melendez, Daniel September 22, 2022 Page 4 of 5

the lateral aspect of the proximal tibia with a similar one involving the lateral aspect of the lateral femoral condyle. Menisci are grossly 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. M25.511 Pain, right shoulder.
- 6. S49.91XA Injury, right shoulder.
- 7. M25.411 Joint effusion, right shoulder.
- 8. Type 2 acromion, right shoulder.
- 9. S46.012A Partial rotator cuff tear, left shoulder.
- 10. M24.812 Internal derangement, left shoulder.
- 11. M75.82 Shoulder tendinitis, left shoulder.
- 12. M75.42 Impingement, left shoulder.
- 13. M25.512 Pain, left shoulder.
- 14. S49.92XA Injury, left shoulder.
- 15. M25.412 Joint effusion, left shoulder.
- 16. M23.200 Lateral meniscus derangement, right knee.
- 17. M23.91 Internal derangement, right knee.
- 18. S83.31XA Tear articular cartilage, right knee.
- 19. M25.461 Joint effusion, right knee.
- 20. S80.911A Injury, right knee.
- 21. M25.561 Pain, right knee.
- 22. M23.40 Loose body in knee, right knee.
- 23. M25.761 Osteophyte, right knee.
- 24. M23.92 Internal derangement, left knee.
- 25. M25.462 Joint effusion, left knee.
- 26. S80.912A Injury, left knee.
- 27. M25.562 Pain, left knee.
- 28. M23.40 Loose body in knee, 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. 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.
- 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, 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.
- 11. All the questions in regard to the procedure were answered.
- 12. The patient verbally consents for the arthroscopy of right knee and the patient will be scheduled for right knee 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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