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Re: Carter, Latasha DOB: 09/06/1976 DOA: 07/02/2022

FOLLOW-UP NOTE

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

HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS: The patient presents today in follow up with continued pain in the right shoulder, left shoulder, right knee and left ankle.

PAST SURGICAL HISTORY: Positive for left ankle surgery fixation of fracture in 2014.

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 9/10, described as constant, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has stiffness, weakness, popping, and clicking. The patient is unable to reach overhead, unable to reach behind the back, and unable to sleep at night due to pain.

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

Right knee: Right knee pain is 9/10, 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.

Left ankle: Left ankle pain is 9/10, described as intermittent, dull, achy pain. The patient has pain with standing, walking, and climbing. The patient had ORIF left ankle in 2016.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION: The right shoulder reveals tenderness to palpation over supraspinatus tendon region and AC joint. 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 100/180 degrees, adduction 40/45 degrees, forward flexion 120/180 degrees, extension 50/60 degrees, internal rotation 70/90 degrees, and external rotation 80/90 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 AC joint. There is crepitus appreciated. There is no heat, swelling, erythema or deformity appreciated. Negative drop arm test. Negative cross-over test. Negative empty can test. Negative Yergason test. Negative deltoid atrophy. Positive O'Brien test. Positive impingement sign. Negative Lift-off test. Positive Hawkins test. Range of motion, as per goniometer, abduction 110/180 degrees, adduction 45/45 degrees, forward flexion 140/180 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.

The right knee reveals tenderness along the superior pole of patella and inferior pole of the patella. There is swelling appreciated. There is no heat, erythema, crepitus or deformity appreciated. Negative McMurray test. Negative Lachman test. Negative patellofemoral grinding test. Positive anterior drawer. Negative posterior drawer. Range of motion reveals flexion 110/130 degrees and extension 0/5 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 ankle reveals swelling, hematoma and bruises noted over lateral malleolar aspect. Negative anterior drawer test. Negative inversion stress test. Range of motion is limited and painful. ROM: Dorsiflexion 15/20 degrees, plantarflexion 45/50 degrees, inversion 10/15 degrees, eversion 10/15 degrees.

DIAGNOSTIC TESTING: MRI of the right shoulder, done on 08/31/2022, shows complete tear of supraspinatus tendon extending into the anterior infraspinatus tendon with retraction. Small undersurface tear at the superior labrum. Mild acromioclavicular Joint arthrosis with undersurface spurring. Mild subacromial/subdeltoid bursitis. MRI of the left shoulder, done on 08/19/2022, shows tendinosis of anterior fibers of the supraspinatus. Posterior inferior quadrant labral tear. MRI of the right knee, done on 07/26/2022, shows presence of joint fluid compatible with synovitis and fluid in the proximal tibiofibular articulation likewise compatible with synovitis. Increased signal and swelling of the ACL compatible with grade I ACL sprain. The meniscal structures are intact. CT of the left ankle, done on 08/31/2022, shows prior ORIF of the

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distal fibula. Small ossicles adjacent to the talus and medial malleolus likely represent sequelae of prior avulsion injuries. No acute fracture.

ASSESSMENT:

- 1. M75.121 Complete rotator cuff tear, right shoulder.
- 2. M24.811 Internal derangement, right shoulder.
- 3. M75.81 Shoulder tendinitis, right shoulder.
- 4. S43.431A Labral tear, right shoulder.
- 5. M75.41 Impingement, right shoulder.
- 6. M75.51 Bursitis, right shoulder.
- 7. M25.511 Pain, right shoulder.
- 8. S49.91XA Injury, right shoulder.
- 9. M89.311 Acromioclavicular joint hypertrophy, right shoulder.
- 10. M25.411 Joint effusion, right shoulder.
- 11. M24.812 Internal derangement, left shoulder.
- 12. M75.82 Shoulder tendinitis, left shoulder.
- 13. S43.432A Labral tear, left shoulder.
- 14. M75.42 Impingement, left shoulder.
- 15. M25.512 Pain, left shoulder.
- 16. S49.92XA Injury, left shoulder.
- 17. M25.412 Joint effusion, left shoulder.
- 18. M23.91 Internal derangement, right knee.
- 19. S83.511A Anterior cruciate ligament sprain, right knee.
- 20. M25.461 Joint effusion, right knee.
- 21. S80.911A Injury, right knee.
- 22. M25.561 Pain, right knee.
- 23. M65.161 Synovitis, right knee.
- 24. Prior ORIF of distal fibula, left ankle.
- 25. Pain, left ankle.
- 26. Effusion, left ankle.
- 27. Injury, left 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, left shoulder, right knee and left ankle.
- 4. Continue anti-inflammatory and muscle relaxant medications p.r.n.
- 5. Continue physical therapy for right shoulder, left shoulder, right knee and left ankle 3 days/week.
- 6. Recommend steroid injections with pain management for right shoulder, left shoulder, right knee and left ankle. The patient refuses due to side effects.
- 7. Discussed right shoulder, left shoulder and right knee arthroscopies 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 and right knee pathologies 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 and right knee arthroscopies 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, left shoulder and right knee 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.

CAUSALITY: 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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