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Re: Vaughn, Chevon

DOB: 11/08/1980 DOA: 04/19/2022

FOLLOW-UP NOTE

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

HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS: The patient presents today in followup with continued pain in the left shoulder and right 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 10/10, described as constant, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has stiffness, weakness, 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 10/10, described as constant, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has stiffness and weakness. The patient has no difficulty rising from a chair and has no difficulty going up and down stairs. The patient also notes clicking, popping, buckling, and intermittent locking.

The patient has diabetes (metformin), hypertension, and high cholesterol.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION: The left shoulder reveals tenderness to palpation over supraspinatus tendon region. There is no heat, swelling, erythema, crepitus or deformity

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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 140/180 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 left upper extremity.

The right knee reveals tenderness along the medial joint line and superior pole of the patella. There is crepitus appreciated. There is no heat, swelling, erythema, crepitus or deformity appreciated. Positive McMurray test. Negative Lachman test. Positive patellofemoral grinding test. Negative 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.

DIAGNOSTIC TESTING: MRI of the right knee, done on 05/24/2022, shows body of the lateral meniscus is partially extruded from the joint space and demonstrates a complex tear and is diffusely deficient and irregular in appearance. Anterior and posterior horns of the lateral meniscus demonstrate tears and are diffusely deficient and eroded. Lateral joint compartment demonstrates joint space narrowing with cartilage loss, which is down to the bone and prominent spurs lining the lateral joint margin and ventral margin of the lateral tibial plateau. Slight narrowing of the medial, joint compartment and small spurs lining the ventral and medial joint margins. Lateral subluxation of the patella and patellofemoral chondromalacia with cartilage loss, which is down to the bone over the lateral patellar facet and lateral aspect of the femoral trochlea. Spurs lining the lateral and medial patellofemoral joint margins. Effusion and synovitis are noted within the knee joint. Small popliteal fluid collection within the medial gastrocnemius/semimembranosus bursa.

ASSESSMENT:

- 1. S46.012A Partial rotator cuff tear, left shoulder.
- 2. M24.812 Internal derangement, left shoulder.
- 3. M75.02 Adhesive capsulitis, left shoulder.
- 4. M75.52 Bursitis, left shoulder.
- 5. M25.512 Pain, left shoulder.
- 6. S49.92XA Injury, left shoulder.
- 7. S83.241A Medial meniscus tear, right knee.
- 8. M23.91 Internal derangement, right knee.
- 9. S83.411 Medial collateral ligament sprain, right knee.
- 10. M94.261 Chondromalacia, right knee.
- 11. M22.2X1 Patellofemoral chondral injury, right knee.
- 12. M25.461 Joint effusion, right knee.
- 13. M12.569 Traumatic arthropathy, right knee.
- 14. S80.911A Injury, right knee.
- 15. M25.561 Pain, right 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 right knee.
- 4. Continue anti-inflammatory and muscle relaxant medications p.r.n.
- 5. Continue physical therapy for left shoulder and right knee 3 days/week.
- 6. Discussed right 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.
- 7. 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 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.
- 8. Discussed the length of the arthroscopy, the postoperative instructions, and the option of continuing with conservative management alternatives to surgery, including no surgery.
- 9. All the benefits and risks of the right 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.
- 10. All the questions in regard to the procedure were answered.
- 11. 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.
- 12. 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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