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Re: Vallejo, Cesar DOB: 01/05/1969 DOA: 04/20/2022

#### INITIAL ORTHOPEDIC CONSULT EXAMINATION

**CHIEF COMPLAINT:** Right knee pain.

HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS: A 53-year-old right-hand dominant male involved in a work-related motor vehicle accident on 04/20/2022. The patient was a driver and was wearing a seatbelt. While at work, the vehicle was struck on the front passenger's side. The airbags did not deploy. The EMS did not arrive 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 knee pain sustained in the work-related motor vehicle accident. The patient was attending physical therapy for the last 2 months with no relief.

**WORK HISTORY:** The patient is currently working.

**PAST MEDICAL HISTORY:** Noncontributory. No previous history of trauma.

**PAST SURGICAL HISTORY:** Right inguinal hernia repair 10 years ago, left knee surgery about 8 years ago.

**DRUG ALLERGIES:** NO KNOWN DRUG ALLERGIES.

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

**SOCIAL HISTORY:** The patient is a nonsmoker. The patient does not drink alcohol. The patient does not use recreational drugs.

**ADL CAPABILITIES:** The patient states that he can walk with no issues. He can stand with no issues before he has to sit. He can sit with no issues 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, running errands, kneeling, squatting, negotiating stairs, jogging and exercising.

**PRESENT COMPLAINTS:** 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 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.

**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 5 feet 11 inches, weight is 220 pounds, and BMI is 30.7. The right knee reveals tenderness along the 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 85/130 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.

**DIAGNOSTIC TESTING:** MRI of the right knee, done on 06/08/2022, shows a bone bruise is seen at the lower margin of the patella, as described, best seen on sagittal series. Reactive changes are seen at Hoffa's fat pad at the anterosuperior aspect. Tendinopathy changes are seen at the proximal patellar tendon. A tear at the origin is noted posteriorly measuring 2 to 3 mm seen on image #11 of series #6. There is a prominent contusion over the patella and patellar tendon. Joint effusion is seen without evidence of loose body.

### **ASSESSMENT:**

- 1. M23.91 Internal derangement, right knee.
- 2. M25.461 Joint effusion, right knee.
- 3. S80.911A Injury, right knee.
- 4. 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 right knee.
- 4. Continue anti-inflammatory and muscle relaxant medications p.r.n.
- 5. Continue physical therapy for right knee 3 days/week.
- 6. Recommend steroid injections with pain management for right knee. The patient accepts.
- 7. Follow up in 4 weeks after injection.

## **IMPAIRMENT RATING**: 25%.

<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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