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Re: Souvenir, Serge DOB: 12/11/1987 DOA: 07/14/2022

INITIAL ORTHOPEDIC CONSULT EXAMINATION

CHIEF COMPLAINT: Left shoulder, right knee, left knee, left elbow, neck, and low back pain.

HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS: A 34-year-old right-hand dominant male involved in a motor vehicle accident on 07/14/2022. The patient was a driver and was wearing a seatbelt. The vehicle was struck on the rear side. The police were not called to the scene of the accident. The patient did not go to any hospital that same day. The patient presents today complaining of left shoulder, right knee, left knee, left elbow, neck, and low back pain sustained in the motor vehicle accident. The patient was attending physical therapy 2-4 times a week with little relief.

WORK HISTORY: The patient is currently not working.

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY: Noncontributory. There is a previous history of trauma, intramedullary rod (right) tibia 8 years ago.

PAST SURGICAL HISTORY: Noncontributory.

DRUG ALLERGIES: NO KNOWN DRUG ALLERGIES.

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

SOCIAL HISTORY: The patient is a smoker. The patient drinks alcohol occasionally. The patient does use recreational drugs.

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ADL CAPABILITIES: The patient states that he can walk for 2 blocks. He can stand for 20 minutes before he has to sit. He can sit for 1/2 hour before needing to change positions 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, childcare, carrying heavy objects, laundry, shopping, running errands, kneeling, squatting, negotiating stairs, and exercising.

PRESENT COMPLAINTS: Left shoulder: Left shoulder pain is 7/10, 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.

Right knee: Right knee pain is 7/10, 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.

Left knee: Left knee pain is 7/10, 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.

Left elbow: Left elbow pain is 6/10, described as intermittent, dull, achy pain. Admits to weakness, numbness, tingling. The patient has pain with lifting, carrying, and driving. Worse with range of motion and improves with rest, medication, physical therapy, and ice.

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 190 pounds, and BMI is 26.5. The left shoulder reveals tenderness to palpation over supraspinatus tendon region and trapezius. 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

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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 130/180 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 medial joint line, superior pole of patella, and inferior pole of the patella. There is swelling and crepitus appreciated. There is no heat, erythema or deformity appreciated. Positive McMurray test. Negative Lachman test. Negative 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.

The left knee reveals tenderness along the medial joint line, superior pole of patella, and inferior pole of the patella. There is swelling and crepitus appreciated. There is no heat, erythema or deformity appreciated. Positive 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 0/5 degrees. Knee is stable with varus and valgus stress test. The patient has no motor or sensory deficit of the left lower extremity.

The left elbow reveals there is tenderness to palpation over the lateral epicondyle. Negative Varus test. Negative Valgus test. Negative Tinel sign. Range of motion reveals flexion 150/150 degrees, extension 0/150 degrees, supination 90/90 degrees, pronation 90/90 degrees.

DIAGNOSTIC TESTING: MRI of the left shoulder, done on 09/23/2022, shows low-grade partial-thickness articular surface tear at the supraspinatus tendon insertion. MRI of the right knee, done on 09/23/2022, shows horizontal tear of the medial meniscus posterior horn. Full-thickness cartilage loss along the medial patellar facet. Partially imaged rod in the proximal tibia compatible prior surgery. Mild subcortical cystic changes along the posterior nonweightbearing aspect of the lateral femoral condyle at the origin of the lateral gastrocnemius tendon. MRI of the left elbow, done on 08/29/2022, shows increased signal distally representing tendinitis with no tears or ruptures of the triceps muscle/tendon.

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. M75.42 Impingement, left shoulder.
- 5. M25.512 Pain, left shoulder.
- 6. S49.92XA Injury, left shoulder.
- 7. M25.412 Joint effusion, left shoulder.
- 8. S83.241A Medial meniscus tear, right knee.

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- 9. M23.91 Internal derangement, right knee.
- 10. M94.261 Chondromalacia, right knee.
- 11. M25.461 Joint effusion, right knee.
- 12. M12.569 Traumatic arthropathy, right knee.
- 13. S80.911A Injury, right knee.
- 14. M25.561 Pain, right knee.
- 15. M24.661 Adhesions, right knee
- 16. S83.242A Medial meniscus tear, left knee.
- 17. M23.92 Internal derangement, left knee.
- 18. M25.462 Joint effusion, left knee.
- 19. M12.569 Traumatic arthropathy, left knee.
- 20. S80.912A Injury, left knee.
- 21. M25.562 Pain, left knee.
- 22. M24.662 Adhesions, left knee.
- 23. Sprain, left elbow.

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, right knee, left knee, and left elbow.
- 4. Continue anti-inflammatory and muscle relaxant medications p.r.n.
- 5. Continue physical therapy for left shoulder, right knee, left knee, and left elbow 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.

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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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