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Re: Leslie, Ann-Marie

DOB: 08/08/1962 DOA: 09/17/2021

INITIAL ORTHOPEDIC CONSULT EXAMINATION

CHIEF COMPLAINT: Left shoulder and left knee pain.

HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS: A 60-year-old right-hand dominant female involved in a work-related motor vehicle accident on 09/17/2021. The patient was a driver and was wearing a seatbelt. While on work duty, the vehicle was struck on the front passenger's side. The airbags did not deploy. The EMS arrived on the scene. The police were called to the scene of the accident. The patient was transported via ambulance to Long Island Jewish Hospital Center and was treated and released the same day. The patient presents today complaining of left shoulder and left knee pain sustained in the work-related motor vehicle accident. The patient was attending physical therapy for the last 1 year with little relief.

WORK HISTORY: The patient is currently not working.

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

PAST SURGICAL HISTORY: Left forearm ORIF, myomectomy and axillary lymph node release.

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.

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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 8-9/10, described as intermittent, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has weakness. The patient is able to reach overhead and able to reach behind the back. Worse with range of motion and improves with rest.

Left knee: Left knee pain is 8-9/10, described as intermittent, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has stiffness. The patient has difficulty rising from a chair and has difficulty going up and down stairs. The patient also notes buckling. 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 5 inches, weight is 150 pounds, and BMI is 25. The left shoulder reveals tenderness to palpation over supraspinatus tendon region, AC joint, proximal biceps tendon, coracoid and scapula spine. 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. Positive O'Brien test. Positive impingement sign. Negative Lift-off test. Negative Hawkins test. Range of motion, as per goniometer, abduction 110/180 degrees, adduction 40/45 degrees, forward flexion 150/180 degrees, extension 50/60 degrees, internal rotation 50/90 degrees, and external rotation 70/90 degrees. Internal rotation to the sacrum. The patient has no motor or sensory deficit of the left upper extremity.

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

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Negative anterior drawer. Negative posterior drawer. Range of motion reveals flexion 110/130 degrees and extension 5/5 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 left shoulder, done on 10/20/2021, shows moderate rotator cuff tendinopathy and bursitis. MRI of the left knee, done on 10/12/2021, shows vertical tear involving the posterior one-third of the posterior horn of the medial meniscus with joint effusion. Sprain injury involving the anterior cruciate ligament with focal partial thickness tear distally. Sprain of the proximal collateral ligaments.

ASSESSMENT:

- 1. M75.82 Shoulder tendinitis, left shoulder.
- 2. M75.52 Bursitis, left shoulder.
- 3. M25.512 Pain, left shoulder.
- 4. S83.242A Medial meniscus tear, left knee.
- 5. S83.519A Anterior cruciate ligament tear, left knee.
- 6. S83.412A Medial collateral ligament sprain, left knee.
- 7. M25.562 Pain, left knee.
- 8. M65.162 Synovitis, 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 left shoulder and left knee.
- 4. Continue anti-inflammatory and muscle relaxant medications p.r.n.
- 5. Continue physical therapy for left shoulder and left knee 3 days/week.
- 6. Status post left shoulder injection, no improvement.
- 7. Discussed left shoulder 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. The patient needs medical clearance prior to surgery. Workers' Compensation Board authorization needed prior to surgery.
- 9. 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 left shoulder 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.
- 10. Discussed the length of the arthroscopy, the postoperative instructions, and the option of continuing with conservative management alternatives to surgery, including no surgery.
- 11. All the benefits and risks of the left shoulder 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.
- 12. All the questions in regard to the procedure were answered.

- 13. The patient verbally consents for the arthroscopy of left knee and the patient will be scheduled for left 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.
- 14. The patient will follow up 1-2 weeks postop or in 2 months if surgery has not been performed yet.

IMPAIRMENT RATING: 100%.

<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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