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Re: Johnson Jr, Melvin

DOB: 09/25/1968 DOA: 07/02/2022

FOLLOW-UP NOTE

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

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

ADL CAPABILITIES: The patient states that he can walk for 1/2 block. He can stand for 5 minutes before he has to sit. He 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 he 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 8/10, described as constant, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. The patient has stiffness, popping, and clicking. The patient is able to reach overhead, able to reach behind the back, and unable to sleep at night due to pain. Worse with range of motion and improves with rest, medication, and physical therapy.

Left ankle: Left ankle pain is 8/10, described as constant, dull, achy pain. The patient has pain with standing, walking, and climbing. Worse with range of motion and improves with rest.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION: The left shoulder reveals tenderness to palpation over supraspinatus tendon region and AC joint. There is crepitus appreciated. There is no heat, swelling, erythema or deformity appreciated. Negative drop arm test. Positive cross-over test. Positive empty can test. Positive Yergason test. Negative deltoid atrophy. Negative O'Brien test. Positive impingement sign. Positive Lift-off test. Positive Hawkins test. Range of motion, as per goniometer, abduction 125/180 degrees, adduction 30/45 degrees, forward flexion 140/180 degrees, extension 40/60 degrees, internal rotation 50/90 degrees, and

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external rotation 55/90 degrees. Internal rotation to the sacrum. The patient has no motor or sensory deficit of the left upper extremity.

The left ankle reveals negative anterior drawer test. Positive inversion stress test. Tenderness to palpation noted in the medial aspect. Range of motion is limited and painful. ROM: Dorsiflexion 10/20 degrees, plantarflexion 35/50 degrees, inversion 10/15 degrees, eversion 10/15 degrees.

DIAGNOSTIC TESTING: MRI of the left shoulder, done on 08/03/2022, shows arthrosis of the AC joint with impingement. Myotendinous supraspinatus strain/interstitial tear with associated tenosynovitis/bursitis. The visualized portions of the labrum are intact. MRI of the left ankle, done on 08/03/2022, shows presence of ankle joint fluid compatible with synovitis. Findings compatible with PTT hypertrophic tear.

ASSESSMENT:

- 1. S46.012A Partial rotator cuff tear, left shoulder.
- 2. M24.812 Internal derangement, left shoulder.
- 3. M75.42 Impingement, left shoulder.
- 4. M65.812 Tenosynovitis, left shoulder.
- 5. M75.52 Bursitis, left shoulder.
- 6. M25.512 Pain, left shoulder.
- 7. S49.92XA Injury, left shoulder.
- 8. M89.312 Acromioclavicular joint hypertrophy, left shoulder.
- 9. M25.412 Joint effusion, left shoulder.
- 10. Synovitis, left ankle.
- 11. Posterior tibial tendon tear, 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 left shoulder and left ankle.
- 4. Continue anti-inflammatory and muscle relaxant medications p.r.n.
- 5. Continue physical therapy for left shoulder and left ankle 3 days/week.
- 6. Recommend steroid injections with pain management for left shoulder and left ankle. The patient refuses due to side effects.
- 7. Discussed left shoulder and left ankle 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. The patient needs medical clearance 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 ankle 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.

- 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 ankle 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.
- 12. All the questions in regard to the procedure were answered.
- 13. The patient verbally consents for the arthroscopy of left shoulder and left ankle and the patient will be scheduled for left 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.
- 14. 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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