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## INITIAL ORTHOPEDIC CONSULT EXAMINATION

**CHIEF COMPLAINT:** Left shoulder pain.

**HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS:** A 53-year-old right-hand dominant male involved in a work-related accident on 02/28/2022. While working as a super in a building, the patient was assaulted by three residents of the buildings. The EMS arrived on the scene. The police were called to the scene of the accident. The patient was transported via ambulance to St. Barnabas Hospital and was treated and released the same day. The patient presents today complaining of left shoulder pain sustained in the work-related accident. The patient was attending physical therapy for the last 5 months 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 shoulder arthroscopy in 2021.

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

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

**SOCIAL HISTORY:** The patient smokes one-half pack of cigarettes per day. The patient drinks alcohol socially. The patient does not use recreational drugs.

**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: play sports, driving, lifting heavy objects, carrying heavy objects, reaching overhead, shopping, running errands, and exercising.

**PRESENT COMPLAINTS:** Left shoulder: Left shoulder pain is 8/10, described as intermittent, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. 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.

**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 6 feet 2 inches, weight is 230 pounds, and BMI is 29.5. The left shoulder reveals tenderness to palpation over supraspinatus tendon region, AC joint, proximal biceps tendon, and coracoid. 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. Positive 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 130/180 degrees, extension 45/60 degrees, internal rotation 50/90 degrees, and external rotation 45/90 degrees. Internal rotation to the sacrum. The patient has no motor or sensory deficit of the left upper extremity.

**DIAGNOSTIC TESTING:** MRI of the left shoulder, done on 06/29/2022, shows productive changes at the acromion clinically joint. Effusion within the subdeltoid bursa. Effusion within the glenohumeral joint. Superior labral tear. Tendinopathy of the supraspinatus tendon with high-grade partial tear. Tendinopathy of the infraspinatus tendon with partial tear.

**ASSESSMENT:**

1. S46.012A Partial rotator cuff tear, left shoulder.
2. M24.812 Internal derangement, left shoulder.
3. M75.82 Shoulder tendinitis, left shoulder.
4. S43.432A Labral tear, left shoulder.
5. M75.42 Impingement, 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.

**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.
4. Continue anti-inflammatory and muscle relaxant medications p.r.n.
5. Continue physical therapy for left shoulder 3 days/week.
6. Recommend steroid injections with pain management for left shoulder. The patient refuses due to side effects.
7. Discussed left shoulder 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 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 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 shoulder 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.

**IMPAIRMENT RATING:** 100%.

**CAUSALITY:** 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.

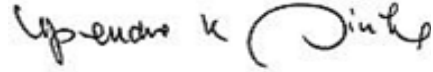
**AFFIRMATION:** Being duly licensed to practice medicine in the state of New York, pursuant to the applicable provisions of the Civil Practice Laws and Rules, I hereby

affirm under penalty of perjury that the statements contained herein are true and accurate.

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