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Re: Awuah, Baffour DOB: 02/24/1960 DOA: 11/20/2021

INITIAL ORTHOPEDIC CONSULT EXAMINATION

CHIEF COMPLAINT: Right shoulder and right knee pain.

HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS: A 62-year-old right-hand dominant male involved in a work-related motor vehicle accident on 11/20/2021. The patient was a driver and was wearing a seatbelt. The patient was ready to go at a green light and another car passed the red light causing the driver to hit him on the passenger side. The vehicle was struck on the front passenger's side. The airbags deployed. The EMS arrived on the scene. The police were called to the scene of the accident. The patient was transported via ambulance to NYC Health + Hospitals/Harlem and was treated and released the same day. The patient presents today complaining of right shoulder and right knee pain sustained in the work-related motor vehicle accident. The patient was attending physical therapy for 3 times a week with little relief.

WORK HISTORY: The patient is currently not working.

PAST MEDICAL HISTORY: High blood pressure. There is no previous history of trauma.

PAST SURGICAL HISTORY: Noncontributory.

DRUG ALLERGIES: NO KNOWN DRUG ALLERGIES.

MEDICATIONS: The patient is taking losartan and penicillin.

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 for 1 block. He can stand for 30 minutes before he has to sit. He can sit for 30 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.

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PRESENT COMPLAINTS: Right shoulder: Right shoulder pain is 8/10, described as intermittent, sharp, stabbing, dull, achy pain. 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 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, and buckling.

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 6 inches, weight is 160 pounds, and BMI is 25.8. The right shoulder reveals tenderness to palpation over supraspinatus tendon region and proximal biceps tendon. 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. Negative impingement sign. Negative Lift-off test. Negative Hawkins test. Range of motion, as per goniometer, abduction 160/180 degrees, adduction 40/45 degrees, forward flexion 120/180 degrees, extension 50/60 degrees, internal rotation 70/90 degrees, and external rotation 70/90 degrees. Internal rotation to the sacrum. The patient has no motor or sensory deficit of the right upper extremity.

The right knee reveals tenderness along the medial joint line and superior pole of patella. There is no heat, swelling, erythema, crepitus or deformity appreciated. Positive McMurray test. Negative Lachman test. Positive 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.

DIAGNOSTIC TESTING: MRI of the right shoulder, done on 01/20/2022, shows small partial tear involving the insertion of supraspinatus tendon. Infraspinatus and subscapularis tendinosis. Mild changes of osteoarthritis in the glenohumeral joint. Mild thickening of inferior glenohumeral ligament. Mild hypertrophic changes in the acromioclavicular joint. Minimal fluid in subacromial-subdeltoid, subcoracoid bursae and along the bicipital tendon. Minimal synovial

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effusion. MRI of the right knee, done on 01/20/2022, shows an intrasubstance signal in the body and posterior horn of medial meniscus and in the posterior horn of lateral meniscus, which may represent an intrasubstance tear. Sprain of anterior cruciate ligament. Grade I injury of medial collateral ligament. Minimal synovial effusion. Mild changes of osteoarthritis on the knee joint. Chondromalacia patellae (grade I). Mild subcutaneous edema around the knee joint.

ASSESSMENT:

- 1. S46.011A Partial rotator cuff tear, right shoulder.
- 2. M24.811 Internal derangement, right shoulder.
- 3. M75.01 Adhesive capsulitis, right shoulder.
- 4. M75.81 Shoulder tendinitis, right shoulder.
- 5. S43.431A Labral tear, right shoulder.
- 6. M75.41 Impingement, right shoulder.
- 7. M65.811 Tenosynovitis, right shoulder.
- 8. M75.51 Bursitis, right shoulder.
- 9. M75.21 Bicipital tendinitis, right shoulder.
- 10. S49.91XA Injury, right shoulder.
- 11. M67.211 Hypertrophic synovitis, right shoulder.
- 12. M89.311 Acromioclavicular joint hypertrophy, right shoulder.
- 13. M25.411 Joint effusion, right shoulder.
- 14. S83.241A Medial meniscus tear, right knee.
- 15. M23.200 Lateral meniscus derangement, right knee.
- 16. M23.91 Internal derangement, right knee.
- 17. S83.519A Anterior cruciate ligament tear, right knee.
- 18. \$83.511A Anterior cruciate ligament sprain, right knee.
- 19. S83.411 Medial collateral ligament sprain, right knee.
- 20. M94.261 Chondromalacia, right knee.
- 21. S83.31XA Tear articular cartilage, right knee.
- 22. M22.2X1 Patellofemoral chondral injury, right knee.
- 23. M25.461 Joint effusion, right knee.
- 24. M12.569 Traumatic arthropathy, right knee.
- 25. S80.911A Injury, right knee.
- 26. M25.561 Pain, right knee.
- 27. M65.161 Synovitis, right knee.
- 28. M24.661 Adhesions, 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 shoulder and right knee.
- 4. Continue anti-inflammatory and muscle relaxant medications p.r.n.
- 5. Continue physical therapy for right shoulder and right knee 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. The patient needs medical clearance prior to surgery. Workers' Compensation Board authorization needed prior to surgery.
- 8. 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.
- 9. Discussed the length of the arthroscopy, the postoperative instructions, and the option of continuing with conservative management alternatives to surgery, including no surgery.
- 10. 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.
- 11. All the questions in regard to the procedure were answered.
- 12. 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.
- 13. 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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