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Re: Torres, Jessica DOB: 08/01/1978 DOA: 12/02/2021

#### INITIAL ORTHOPEDIC CONSULT EXAMINATION

**CHIEF COMPLAINT:** Right hand and right wrist pain.

**HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS:** A 44-year-old right-hand dominant female involved in work related accident on 12/02/2021. The patient presents today complaining of right hand and right wrist pain sustained in the work-related accident. The patient was attending physical therapy for 2-3 times per week with little relief.

**WORK HISTORY:** The patient is currently working.

**PAST MEDICAL HISTORY:** Noncontributory.

**PAST SURGICAL HISTORY:** Noncontributory.

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

**MEDICATIONS:** The patient is not taking any medication at this time.

**SOCIAL HISTORY:** The patient is a nonsmoker. The patient does not drink alcohol. The patient does not use recreational drugs.

**ADL CAPABILITIES:** 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, reaching overhead, laundry, shopping, running errands, and exercising.

**PRESENT COMPLAINTS:** Right wrist: Right wrist pain is 8/10, described as constant, dull, achy pain. Admits to weakness, numbness, tingling. The patient has pain with lifting, carrying,

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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 right wrist reveals pain to palpation over the ulnar styloid. There is swelling, erythema, and bruise noted. Positive Tinel sign. Positive Phalen test. Range of motion reveals flexion 70/80 degrees, extension 60/70 degrees, radial deviation 15/20 degrees, ulnar deviation 15/30 degrees.

**DIAGNOSTIC TESTING:** MRI of the right hand, done on 01/30/2022, shows increased TI signal involving the second flexor tendons at the metacarpal level representing tendinosis/tendinopathy. MRI of the right wrist, done on 02/21/2022, shows a globular tear is seen medially at the triangular fibrocartilage, as noted. There is no attenuation. There is no tendon tear or tenosynovitis

## **ASSESSMENT:**

- 1. Triangular fibrocartilage complex tear, right wrist.
- 2. Carpel tunnel syndrome, right wrist.

#### 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 wrist.
- 4. Continue anti-inflammatory and muscle relaxant medications p.r.n.
- 5. Continue physical therapy for right wrist 3 days/week.
- 6. The patient is waiting for EMG results to rule out carpal tunnel syndrome.
- 7. Follow up in 4 weeks after EMG.

## **IMPAIRMENT RATING**: 50%.

<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

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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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