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# Mark A. Newman, D.C.

August 11, 2023

Re:

RICHARD GOMEZ

Date of Accident:

03/20/23

Date of Initial Exam: 03/23/23

Date of last visit:

08/03/23

To Whom It May Concern:

The following is a report concerning the injuries that Heather Cruz sustained as a result of the accident on March 20, 2023.

# **HISTORY**

The patient was examined and treated in this office on March 23, 2023 at which time she gave the following history:

RICHARD GOMEZ states that while she was driving her vehicle on March 20, 2023 at around 5:52 a.m. in the city of Bell Gardens, her vehicle was involved in an automobile accident. RICHARD GOMEZ states that although her vehicle had come to a complete stop at an intersection, it was hit from behind by a bus that had failed to stop at the same intersection. RICHARD GOMEZ stats that she was wearing her seatbelt at the time of the accident. RICHARD GOMEZ states that the tremendous impact knocked her violently back and forth up against the seat restraints and the interior of the vehicle, causing injuries to her neck, shoulders, mid back and lower back. RICHARD GOMEZ states that immediately after the accident, she began to develop a severe headache and neck pain. RICHARD GOMEZ consults with me today for her unresolved headaches, her unresolved neck pain, her unresolved shoulder pain, her unresolved mid back pain and her unresolved lower back pain.

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# Pain severity rated from 0-10

- 9-10 Severe Pain prevents working and difficulty performing ADL.
- 7-8 Moderate to Severe Pain cannot work most of the time or severe difficulty working.
- 5-6 Moderate Pain works with marked handicap.
- 4 Slight to Moderate Pain works with some difficulty and handicap.
- 2-4 Slight Pain can tolerate the pain, does not prevent from working but does cause some difficulty.
- 1 Minimal Pain annoyance, does not prevent from working.

# Occurrence frequency rated descriptively

Constant Pain - 90-100% of the time. Frequent Pain - 51-75% of the time. Intermittent Pain - 26-50% of the time. Occasional Pain - 25% of the time or less.

The patient was examined and evaluated. The results are as follows:

# SUBJECTIVE COMPLAINTS ON 03/23/23

- 1. Patient complaint of constant headaches since the time of the accident, stating not ever having headaches prior to this accident. Patient complaint of constant severe pain and stiffness in the back of the head and neck that is making it difficult for her to turn her head from side to side. The pain is described as a constant sharp pain throughout the day getting worse when she tries to lay down and sleep at night. With regards to the patient's headaches and neck pain, she rates her current level at a 10 of 10.
- 2. Patient complaint of a constant severe pain in the mid back and posterior shoulders that is described as a continual sharp pinching sensation in the middle of the back and on the front sides of both shoulders. The patient states that the shoulder pain runs down the lateral sides of both arms. The mid back and shoulder pain is described also as having become progressively worse and stiffer following the accident. The patient attributes her bilateral arm pain, to trying to brace herself during the time of the accident. With regards to the patient's mid back and shoulder pain, she rates her current level at a 10 of 10.
- 3. Patient complaint of a constant severe lower back pain that has been present since the next day following the accident. The pain is described as a continuous tight ache that is focused to the center of the spine that becomes sharp throughout the day with certain movements. The patient states that it feels like a constant spasm in her lower back, making it difficult for her to perform her normal activities of daily living. The patient also states that she's been getting bouts of shooting pains down the right leg and into the toes of the right foot, periodically since the time of the accident. With regards to the patient's lower back pain, she rates her current pain level at a 10 of 10.

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# **OBJECTIVE FINDINGS ON 03/23/23**

- 1. There was a moderate to severe palpable tenderness over the entire supporting anterior and posterior cervical musculature, including the sternocleidomastoid muscle bilaterally, the trapezius muscles bilaterally and extending into the paravertebral muscles from behind the ears and Occiput through T1. Orthopedic tests were negative for disk injury, spinal instability or neurological deficit; however, they were consistent in confirming a severe musculotendinous type of soft tissue injury. There was a gross loss of range of motion in the neck bilateral lateral flexion and bilateral rotation due to pain, consistent with muscular spasm and severe whiplash. The patient also presents with a severe case of anterior head carriage.
- 2. There was a moderate to severe palpable tenderness over the para-spinal musculature of the upper and lower thoracic spine, including the inferior portions of the trapezius and soft tissues on and around both scapulae's. There was an additional palpable tenderness over the anterior and lateral deltoid muscles of both shoulders. There was an increase in symptoms with normal range of motion and light resistance of both shoulders.
- 3. There was a moderate to severe palpable tenderness with muscle spasm in the lumbar para-spinal muscles bilaterally. There was a moderate to severe palpable tenderness over the right sacral iliac joint and right tensor fascia latea muscle that both increased significantly with direct pressure. Orthopedic tests were positive for a possible disk injury, spinal instability and/or neurological deficit; however, they were also consistent in confirming a severe musculotendinous type of soft tissue injury. Range of motion of the lumbar spine was limited in flexion due to pain. The patient also presented with severe muscle guarding of the right pelvic girdle as well as an anatomical short leg on the right side.

# MRI

MRI of the cervical spine revealed straightening of the normal cervical spine lordosis due to muscular spasm as well as multiple 2-mm to 1.3-mm posterior disc protrusions from C4-C7.

MRI of the lumbar spine revealed straightening of the normal lumbar spine lordosis due to muscular spasm as well as multiple large posterior disc protrusions ranging from 4-mm to 2-mm from L1-S1.

# **DIAGNOSIS**

- 1. Motor Vehicle Collision, Driver.
- 2. Post traumatic musculotendinous traction injury to the cervical, cervicothoracic and lumber spines with associated myalgia and myofascitis.
- 3. Whiplash.
- 4. Muscle Spasm.
- 5. Multiple Posterior Disc Protrusion, Cervical Spine.
- 6. Multiple Large Posterior Disc Protrusion, Lumbar Spine.

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- 7. Segmental Dysfunction.
- 8. Unequal Leg Length Acquired.
- 9. Chronic Pain Due to Trauma.
- 10. Headaches.
- 11. Radiculopathy, Lumbar Spine.
- 12. Straightening of the Normal Cervical and Lumbar Spine Lordosis.\
- 13. Anterior Head Carriage.

# TREATMENT PLAN & DISCUSSION

# 1) CHIROPRACTIC AND PHYSICAL MEDICINE PROGRAM:

**Treatment Status:** Patient was started with passive care, therapeutic exercise as tolerated and "Stretching protocols" were advanced from gentle to aggressive as indicated throughout the course of treatment.

Active/Passive: Patient was started in passive care immediately.

**Treatment Frequency:** Two to three times a week.

**Treatment Duration:** Four to six weeks, Re-Eval every four weeks as needed or until symptoms can be self-controlled by home exercise program.

Chiropractic Treatment Protocol: Chiropractic Manipulative Therapy of the Cervical Spine, Thoracic Spine and Lumbar Spine: Performed at the detection of a SEGMENTAL DISFUNCTION.

Physical Therapy Treatment Protocol: Cervical Spine, Thoracic Spine and Lumbar Spine: SPINAL STABLIZATION PROTOCOL: "PASSIVE" Modalities (Massage, E-Stim, Infrared Heat, Mechanical Traction, Neuro Re-ed, Therapy Exercise) routine for 10-12 visits then PRN. "ACTIVE" Rehab to include PRE's, Advanced P/C-Stretching, Isometrics/Isotonics, Core Strengthening as tolerated.

# REFFERALS

Patient was referred to a pain management specialist for her ongoing pain and symptoms.

# **COMMENT**

It is my opinion that the patient's injuries are a direct result of the automobile accident that occurred on March 20, 2023. The patient has had treatment as described for the days following the accident and at this time has had maximum benefit. On her last visit she was still experiencing pain and discomfort in her neck and lower back area, depending upon her daily activity levels. The patient has limited her physical activities and along with her treatments is considered permanent and stationary at this time.

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# **ACTIVITY RESTRICTIONS**

Based on the patient's persistent symptoms, clinical findings, and mechanism of injury, with regard to her still present spinal symptoms, she should exercise caution and refrain from those activities which may cause an increase in symptoms. Activities, which place compressive force upon the cervical spine, thoracic spine and lumbar spine, should be avoided.

# **RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is my recommendation that this patient continue with the physical exercises taught to her here at my facility along with the appropriate treatment as needed. The treatment should consist of continued pain management or orthopedic evaluation shoulder it become necessary, continued physiotherapy, physical therapy and chiropractic adjustments as needed, for no less than one to two times per month for the next two to three months or for as long as her ongoing symptom's dictate.

# **PROGNOSIS**

The prognosis for complete long-term recovery for this patient due to her still present chronic pain, the still present anterior head carriage, the loss of both the cervical and lumbar spine lordosis and the multiple large posterior disc protrusion in the cervical and lumbar spines all at such a young age, is poor to fair.

Respectfully submitted,

Mark A. Newman, D.C. Anaheim HealthCare

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# Mark A. Newman, D.C.

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Tel: (562) 250-2002; Fax (562) 250-2007

Patient Name: RICHARD

ICD-10 V49.88XA, M54.2, M99.01, S13.4XXA, S16.1XXA

**GOMEZ** Patient DOB: 08/15/1994 Date Of Injury:

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# **Itemized Statement**

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	97140-59	Manual Therapy	\$40.00
	97014	Electrical Stim	\$40.00
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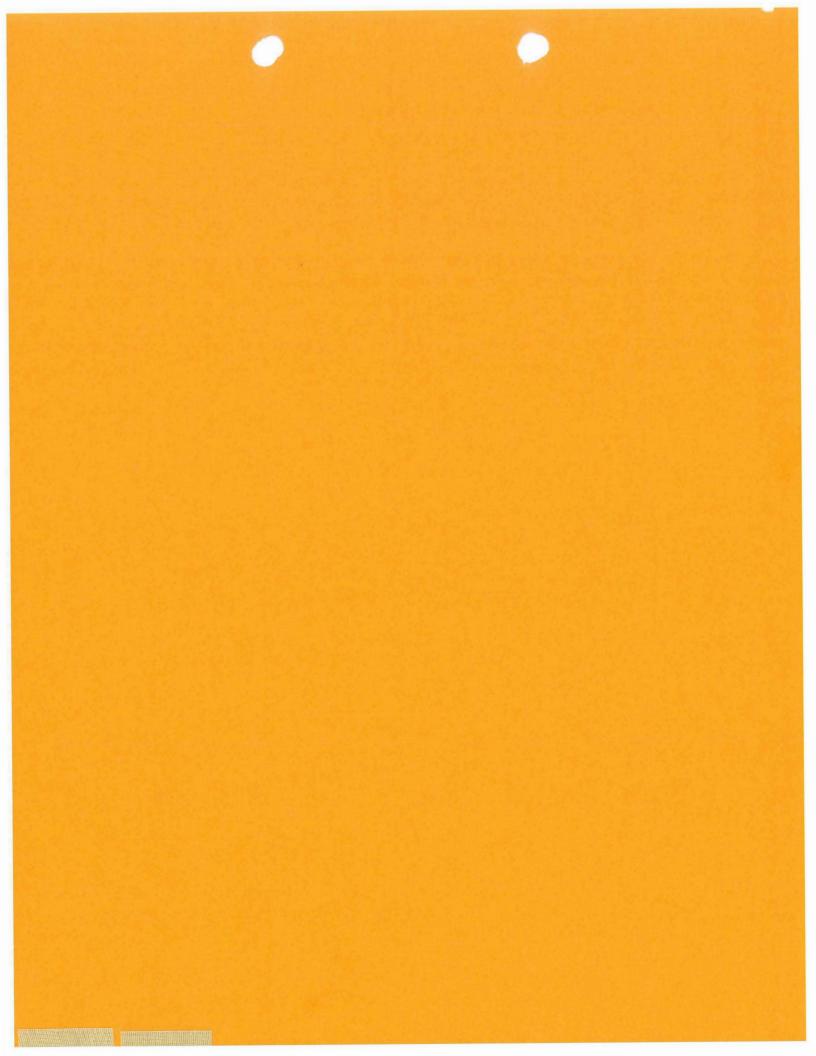
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Name: RICHARD GOMEZ Gender: F DOB: 08/15/1994 Study Date: 05/29/2023 Referrer:

MARK NEWMAN

MRI CERVICAL SPINE WITHOUT CONTRAST:

INDICATION: Neck pain COMPARISON: None

TECHNIQUE: Multisequential multiplanar MRI of the cervical spine without intravenous contrast.

#### FINDINGS:

At C2-C3, there is no significant disc bulge or disc protrusion. There is no spinal canal or neural foraminal stenosis.

At C3-C4, there is no significant disc bulge or disc protrusion. There is no spinal canal or neural foraminal stenosis.

At C4-C5, there is 1.3 mm posterior disc protrusion. There is no spinal canal or neural foraminal stenosis.

At C5-C6, there is 2 mm posterior disc protrusion. There is no spinal canal or neural foraminal stenosis. Partial effacement of the ventral thecal sac is noted. There is uncovertebral spurring.

At C6-C7, there is 1 mm posterior disc bulge. There is no spinal canal or neural foraminal stenosis.

At C7-T1, there is no significant disc bulge or disc protrusion. There is no spinal canal or neural foraminal stenosis.

There is straightening of the cervical lordosis. There is no evidence of acute fracture. There is no edema in the visualized spinal cord. There is no significant paraspinal soft tissue fluid collection.

#### IMPRESSION:

At C4-C5, there is 1.3 mm posterior disc protrusion.



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At C5-C6, there is 2 mm posterior disc protrusion.

At C6-C7, there is 1 mm posterior disc bulge.

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Key Image:







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Name: RICHARD GOMEZ Gender: F DOB: 08/15/1994 Study Date: 05/29/2023

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MRI LUMBAR SPINE WITHOUT CONTRAST:

INDICATION: Back pain COMPARISON: None

TECHNIQUE: Multisequential multiplanar MRI of the lumbar spine without intravenous contrast.

#### FINDINGS:

At T12-L1, there is no significant disc bulge or disc protrusion. There is no spinal canal or neural foraminal stenosis. Disc desiccation is noted. There is endplate irregularity.

At L1-L2, there are posterior disc protrusions, measuring up to 2 mm. There is mild spinal canal stenosis. Partial effacement of the ventral thecal sac is noted. There is no significant neural foraminal stenosis.

At L2-L3, there is 3 mm posterior disc bulge. There is no spinal canal or neural foraminal stenosis. Partial effacement of the ventral thecal sac is noted. Disc desiccation is noted. There is endplate irregularity.

At L3-L4, there are posterior disc protrusions, measuring up to 3.2 mm. There is no spinal canal or neural foraminal stenosis. Partial effacement of the ventral thecal sac is noted.

At L4-L5, there is 4 mm posterior disc protrusion. There is no significant spinal canal stenosis. Partial effacement of the ventral thecal sac is noted. There is mild right neural foraminal stenosis. There is no significant left neural foraminal stenosis. There is facet arthrosis.

At L5-S1, there is 2 mm posterior disc protrusion. There is no significant spinal canal stenosis. Partial effacement of the ventral thecal sac is noted. There is mild right neural foraminal stenosis. There is mild left neural foraminal stenosis. There is facet arthrosis.

There is straightening of the lumbar lordosis. There are small anterior vertebral osteophytes. There is no evidence of acute fracture. There is no edema in the visualized spinal cord. There is no significant paraspinal soft tissue fluid collection.





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#### IMPRESSION:

At L1-L2, there are posterior disc protrusions, measuring up to 2 mm. Mild spinal canal stenosis.

At L2-L3, there is 3 mm posterior disc bulge.

At L3-L4, there are posterior disc protrusions, measuring up to 3.2 mm.

At L4-L5, there is 4 mm posterior disc protrusion. Mild right neural foraminal stenosis.

At L5-S1, there is 2 mm posterior disc protrusion. Mild right neural foraminal stenosis. Mild left neural foraminal stenosis.

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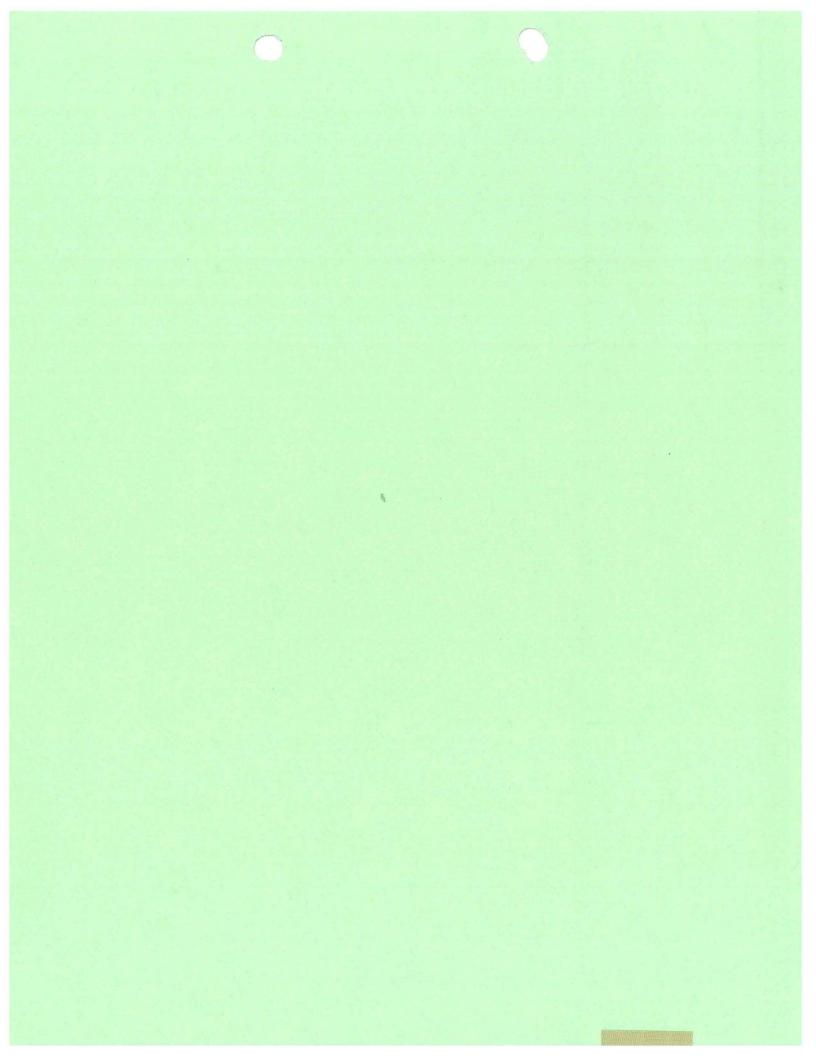
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RICHARD GOMEZ	3/20/2023	5/29/2023

CPT	DESCRIPTION	ICD 10	AMOUNT
72141	MRI C-SPINE W/O CONT.	M54.2	\$ 2,500.00
72148	MRI L-SPINE W/O CONT.	M54.5	\$ 2,500.00
		SUBTOTAL	\$ 5,000.00
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# PAIN MANAGEMENT INITIAL CONSULTATION AND REPORT

NAME:

RIC HARD GOMEZ

DATE OF BIRTH:

08/15/1994

DATE OF INJURY:

03/20/2023

DATE OF EXAM:

08/28/2023

**GENDER:** 

Female

To Whom it May Concern:

Heather Cruz was initially examined in our Downey office on August 28, 2023, for a pain management evaluation due to injuries she sustained as the result of an accident that occurred on March 20, 2023.

# **HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS:**

The patient presents today and complains of neck pain and low back and low back pain. She reports her symptoms started after her involvement in a car accident that occurred on March 20, 2023. The patient denies pain in these areas prior to the accident. She has completed chiropractic treatments.

# PRESENT COMPLAINTS:

Neck pain: The patient reports her pain involves bilateral upper trapezius and both sides of her neck. She notes sometimes there is tingling and numbness radiating to her hands. On Visual Analogue Scale, she rates her neck pain 9/10.

Low back pain: The pain involves bilateral lumbosacral area. She notes sometimes she feels the pain radiating from her back to her legs and feet. On Visual Analogue Scale, she rates her low back pain 10/10.

# **PAST MEDICAL HISTORY:**

None.

# PAST SURGICAL HISTORY:

None.

# PRIOR ACCIDENTS AND INJURIES:

None.

# **FAMILY HISTORY:**

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Diabetes.

# SOCIAL HISTORY:

Tobacco:

None.

Drugs:

None.

She works as a supervisor.

# **ALLERGIES:**

NKDA.

# **MEDICATIONS:**

Ibuprofen as needed.

# **OBJECTIVE PHYSICAL FINDINGS:**

# **GENERAL EXAM:**

The patient is alert and oriented x4. She is not in any distress. The patient is cooperative with the physical examination.

GAIT:

Normal.

# **CERVICAL SPINE EXAM:**

Inspection:

There is no loss of the normal cervical lordosis, or any other abnormal curvatures.

There is no visible deformity, or step-off.

Range of motion of the cervical spine is as follows:

	MEASURED	NORMAL
Forward Flexion:	Chin 2 inches from chest	Chin to chest
Extension:	45 degrees	30 degrees
Right lateral bend:	40 degrees	45 degrees
Left lateral bend:	40 degrees	45 degrees
Right rotation:	70 degrees	45 degrees
Left rotation:	70 degrees	45 degrees

# Palpation:

There is tenderness to bilateral upper trapezius muscles and paraspinal muscles.

There are no palpable abnormalities.

Provocative Testing:

**RIGHT** 

**LEFT** 

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Spurling's Test:

Negative.

Negative.

Facet Loading Test:

Negative.

Negative.

# **LUMBAR SPINE EXAM:**

Inspection:

There is no loss of the normal lumbar lordosis, or any other abnormal curvatures.

There is no visible deformity, or step-off.

Range of motion of the lumbar spine is as follows:

	MEASURED	NORMAL
Forward Flexion:	45 degrees	60 degrees
Extension:	15 degrees	20 degrees
Right lateral bend:	30 degrees	20 degrees
Left lateral bend:	30 degrees	20 degrees
Right rotation:	25 degrees	20 degrees
Left rotation:	25 degrees	20 degrees

# Palpation:

There is tenderness to palpation of paraspinal muscles and SI joints bilaterally.

There is no paraspinal spasm.

There is no tenderness to palpation of the spinous processes.

There are no palpable abnormalities.

Sciatic notch is negative.

PSIS is nontender bilaterally.

Provocative Testing:

LEFT

**RIGHT** 

Straight Leg Raise:

(Seated and Supine)

Positive at 45 degrees

Positive at 45 degrees

Facet Loading Test:

Positive

Positive

Patrick Test:

Negative

Negative

# **NEUROLOGICAL EXAM:**

Mental Status:

Alert & oriented x3, no deficits in general fund of information or

concentration.

Cranial Nerves 2-12: Grossly intact.

Romberg:

Negative.

Motor Exam:

RIGHT LEFT

Deltoid:

5/5 5/5

Biceps:

5/5 5/5

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2023
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Triceps:	5/5	5/5
Wrist Extension: Wrist	5/5	5/5
Flexion:	5/5	5/5
Finger Abduction:	5/5	5/5
Finger Adduction:	5/5	5/5
Psoas:	5/5	5/5
Quadriceps: Hamstring:	5/5	5/5
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Decreased sensation in C3 to T1 dermatomes.

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Intact bilaterally.

# **REVIEW OF MEDICAL RECORDS:**

Lumbar MRI from, May 29, 2023, shows:

- 1. A 3.2-mm posterior disc bulge at the level of L3-L4.
- 2. A 4-mm posterior disc bulge at the level of L4-L5 with mild right neural foraminal stenosis and facet arthrosis.
- 3. There is a 2-mm posterior disc bulge at the level of L5-S1 with mild right neural foraminal narrowing. Mild left neural foraminal narrowing and there is facet arthrosis.

MRI of the cervical spine from, May 29, 2023, shows:

- 1. A 1.2-mm posterior disc bulge at the level of C4-C5.
- 2. A 2-mm posterior protrusion at the level of C5-C6 with partial effacement of the ventral thecal sac.

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3. A 1-mm posterior disc bulge at the level of C6-C7.

# **DIAGNOSTIC IMPRESSION:**

- 1. Neck pain.
- 2. Cervical spine sprain/strain.
- 3. Cervical spine disc deformity, multilevel.
- 4. Low back pain.
- 5. Lumbar sprain/strain.
- 6. Multilevel intervertebral disc protrusion at the lumbar level.

# **DISCUSSION AND TREATMENT/RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- 1. I am recommending the patient to continue regular home exercises and stretches.
- 2. Review of the MRI of the lumbar and cervical spine explained to the patient.
- 3. At this point, in regards to the patient's neck pain, I am recommending trigger point injections to bilateral upper trapezius muscles and paraspinal muscles (the patient is not interested in any injection or invasive treatments).
- 4. Return to clinic in four weeks for reevaluation and further treatment management.
- 5. I am recommending Voltaren gel 1% apply twice a day for pain relief.
- 6. I am recommending ibuprofen 400 mg every 8 hours as needed as an anti-inflammatory medication.

# **CAUSATION:**

Based on the patient's past medical history, history of present illness, and physical examination, the above-mentioned signs and symptoms more likely than not are caused by the motor vehicle accident occurred on March 20, 2023.

# **DISCLOSURE:**

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# PAIN MANAGEMENT FOLLOW-UP CONSULTATION AND REPORT

NAME:

RIC HARD GOMEZ

DATE OF BIRTH:

08/15/1994

DATE OF INJURY:

03/20/2023

DATE OF EXAM:

09/25/2023

GENDER:

Male

# **CHIEF COMPLAINT:**

Neck pain and low back pain.

# **HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS:**

# NECK PAIN:

The patient reports no change in her neck pain since her last visit. She continues to report her neck pain involves bilateral upper trapezius and both sides of her neck. She reports sometimes there is tingling and numbness radiating into her hands. On Visual Analogue Scale, she rates her neck pain 9/10.

# LOW BACK PAIN:

The patient reports no change in her low back pain since her last visit. The pain involves bilateral lumbosacral area. She notes sometimes she feels the pain radiates from her back to her legs and feet. On Visual Analogue Scale, she rates her low back pain 10/10

# **OBJECTIVE PHYSICAL FINDINGS:**

#### **GENERAL EXAM:**

The patient is alert and oriented x4. She is not in any distress. The patient is cooperative with the physical examination.

#### GAIT:

Normal.

#### **CERVICAL SPINE EXAM:**

#### Inspection:

There is no loss of the normal cervical lordosis, or any other abnormal curvatures. There is no visible deformity, or step-off.

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Range of motion of the cervical spine is as follows:

MEASURED	NORMAL
Chin 2 inches from chest	Chin to chest
45 degrees	30 degrees
40 degrees	45 degrees
40 degrees	45 degrees
70 degrees	45 degrees
70 degrees	45 degrees
	Chin 2 inches from chest 45 degrees 40 degrees 40 degrees 70 degrees

# Palpation:

There is tenderness to bilateral upper trapezius muscles and paraspinal muscles. There are no palpable abnormalities.

Provocative Testing:

	RIGHT	LEFT
Spurling's Test:	Negative.	Negative.
Facet Loading Test:	Negative.	Negative.

# **LUMBAR SPINE EXAM:**

# Inspection:

There is no loss of the normal lumbar lordosis, or any other abnormal curvatures. There is no visible deformity, or step-off.

Range of motion of the lumbar spine is as follows:

	MEASURED	NORMAL
Forward Flexion:	45 degrees	60 degrees
Extension:	15 degrees	20 degrees
Right lateral bend:	30 degrees	20 degrees
Left lateral bend:	30 degrees	20 degrees
Right rotation:	25 degrees	20 degrees
Left rotation:	25 degrees	20 degrees

# Palpation:

There is tenderness to palpation of paraspinal muscles and SI joints bilaterally.

There is no paraspinal spasm.

There is no tenderness to palpation of the spinous processes.

There are no palpable abnormalities.

Sciatic notch is negative.

PSIS is nontender bilaterally.

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Provocative Testing:

LEFT

**RIGHT** 

Straight Leg Raise:

(Seated and Supine)

Positive at 45 degrees

Positive at 45 degrees

Facet Loading Test:

Positive

Positive

Patrick Test:

Negative

Negative

# **NEUROLOGICAL EXAM:**

Mental Status:

Alert & oriented x3, no deficits in general fund of information or

concentration.

Cranial Nerves 2-12: Grossly intact.

Romberg:

Negative.

Motor Exam:	RIGHT	LEFT
Deltoid:	5/5	5/5
Biceps:	5/5	5/5
Triceps:	5/5	5/5
Wrist Extension:	5/5	5/5
Wrist Flexion:	5/5	5/5
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# **DISCUSSION AND TREATMENT/RECOMMENDATIONS:**

In regard to the patient's low back pain and neck pain, I am recommending trigger point injections to the paraspinal muscles at the neck and lumbar area. The patient is not interested in any invasive treatment other than therapies. At this point, I am recommending the patient to return to the clinic as needed. I am going to discharge the patient from the pain clinic. She may return to the clinic if she decides to proceed with next step treatment options.

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