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WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION**

WCC File No. 2207041
Appellate Case No. 2025-001248

Walter R. Hoover, Jr., Claimant, Appellant,

v.

**Tractor Supply Company, Employer, and Starr Specialty Insurance
Company, Carrier, Respondents.**

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COURT OF APPEALS ORDER DATED June 24, 2026

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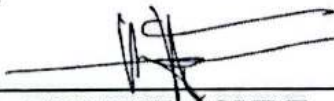
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ORDER

On March 18, 2026, this court ordered Appellant to serve and file a supplemental record on appeal that includes the transcript of the hearing before the Workers' Compensation Commission's Appellate Panel and Respondents' full APA submissions. On April 7, 2026, Appellant filed a "motion regarding completeness of the record on appeal." On May 14, 2026, Respondents filed a return, and on May 19, 2026, Appellant filed a reply. We construe Appellant's April 7, 2026 motion as a motion to clarify our March 18, 2026 order. Within ten days of the date of this order, Appellant shall serve and file a supplemental record on appeal that includes the transcript of the hearing before the Workers' Compensation Commission's Appellate Panel and Respondents' full APA submissions, which were submitted as Exhibit D to Respondents' return. *See* Rule 210(a), SCACR (stating the appellant must serve the record on appeal); Rule 210(b), SCACR (stating the appellant must file the record on appeal); Rule 210(c), SCACR ("The [r]ecord on [a]ppeal shall include all matter designated to be included by any party under Rule 209 [of the South Carolina Appellate Court Rules] . . ."). Failure to comply will result in dismissal of the appeal.



FOR THE COURT

J.

Columbia, South Carolina

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cc:
Walter R. Hoover, Jr.
Claudia Julia Piechota, Esquire

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**FULL COMMISSION HEARING TRANSCRIPT
DATED April 14, 2025**

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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
BEFORE THE
SOUTH CAROLINA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION
WCC No. 2207041

Walter R. Hoover,)
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Employee,)
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v.)
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Tractor Supply Company,)
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Employer,)
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and)
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Starr Specialty Ins. Co.,)
)
Carrier/Defendants.)
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FULL COMMISSION HEARING

Monday, April 14, 2025
1:40 p.m. - 1:53 p.m.

The Full Commission Hearing was heard before Commissioners Aisha Taylor, Gene McCaskill and Cynthia Dooley, via CourtCall at the Workers' Compensation Commission, 1333 Main Street, Suite 500, Columbia, South Carolina, on the 14th day of April, 2025, before Amber Scarborough, Court Reporter and Notary Public in and for the State of South Carolina.



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EXHIBITS

(There were no exhibits marked during this hearing.)

STIPULATIONS

It is stipulated and agreed that this hearing is being taken pursuant to the Administrative Procedures Act and the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure.



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CALL TO ORDER:

COURT REPORTER: Today is April the 14th, 2025.

This is South Carolina Workers' Compensation Case Number 2207041. This is the case of Walter R. Hoover, the Claimant, versus Tractor Supply Company and Starr Specialty Insurance Company. The Appellant is the Claimant, represented -- or who is pro se. The Respondent is represented by Claudia Piechota.

Each side is allowed ten minutes for oral argument and the Appellant three minutes in reply. You are requested to argue the grounds of exception and stay within the record.

COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: All right. Very good.

And then, Mr. Hoover, before we went on the record, I did discuss with you your right to have an attorney. It is our understanding that you are wishing to proceed for this Appellate hearing representing yourself. Is that correct?

MR. HOOVER: Correct.

COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: All right. Thank you, sir.

All right. You have ten minutes. You can go ahead and state the grounds for your appeal.

APPELLANT'S POSITION:

1 **MR. HOOVER:** I just want to appeal it to the next
2 level. I'm not -- I don't want to sit here and
3 do this.

4 **COMMISSIONER TAYLOR:** Okay. So, it's your -- your
5 desire to rely on the same positions you had at
6 the lower Single Commission hearing?

7 **MR. HOOVER:** Absolutely. I've got ample, ample
8 evidence.

9 **COMMISSIONER TAYLOR:** Okay.

10 **MR. HOOVER:** And I just want to move on.

11 **COMMISSIONER TAYLOR:** All right. Very good, sir.
12 And you'll still have some reserve time just in
13 case you hear something from Piechota that
14 you'd like to respond to. But Ms. Piechota, go
15 ahead. Your ten minutes, please.

16 (No audible response.)

17 **COMMISSIONER TAYLOR:** Uh-oh. We lost her. Darn.
18 Let's see. All right. It appears we lost Ms.
19 Piechota. We'll give her just a few more
20 moments to get reconnected. Gina, if you can
21 just keep an eye out for her.

22 **MS. HOLLMAN:** Yeah, I'm looking. I guess I'll let
23 her in when she comes back.

24 **COMMISSIONER TAYLOR:** Okay. All right. Ms.
25 Piechota, can you hear us okay?



1 Moving on, it is the Respondent's position
2 that the single Commission correctly determined
3 that the audio and video evidence submitted by
4 the Appellant held little weight. As you will
5 see in *Potter versus Spartanburg*, the
6 Commission -- the Court of Appeals ruled that
7 medical evidence is entitled to greater
8 respect. Further, Commissioners, I would like
9 to point you to South Carolina Rules of
10 Evidence Section 901, specifically that the
11 Appellant had not satisfied the recordings were
12 admissible for court. He did not provide a
13 chain of custody. He didn't provide who was
14 speaking in those videos. He didn't provide
15 any type of -- any type of evidence who was
16 actually in those videos and whether they were
17 altered or not.

18 Further, the Single Commissioner simply
19 weighed the evidence submitted by the
20 Defendants, which is our doctors' narrative,
21 and he held greater weight, which is within
22 their discretion here.

23 The main -- biggest issue that the
24 Respondent would like to assert was that the
25 Appellant was constructively, medically



1 noncompliant and, therefore, had abandoned his
2 Workers' Compensation claim and is no longer
3 entitled to benefits under the Act.

4 Your Honors, you will see through evidence
5 on numerous occasions Appellant had a blatant
6 disregard for the Comp system. He has been
7 constructively me- -- medically noncompliant,
8 pursuant to Section 42-15-16, and Regulation
9 67-509, which specifically states that an
10 Employee shall submit himself to examination as
11 long as he claims compensation to a provider of
12 Respondent's choosing.

13 As indicated on -- in Section 42-15-80, if
14 the medical appointment had been paid for and
15 provided by the Employer, the Employee must
16 one, attend the appointment and -- provided by
17 the Employer, and also if the Employee is
18 medically noncompliant and/or refuses to submit
19 himself or more importantly in any way obstruct
20 the examination requested and provided for by
21 the Employer, his right to compensation and his
22 right to prosecute a proceeding under this
23 title -- Your Honor, this is big portion --
24 must be suspended. It's automatic, it's a
25 must.



1 In *Harris versus Collins*, which is a
2 Single Commissioner case here in South
3 Carolina, the Claimant there sustained multiple
4 injuries and he was doctor shopping, which is
5 very similar to our case back here. In that
6 case, the Single Commissioner found that his --
7 the Claimant's volatile actions in the form of
8 doctor shopping and doing all these -- and
9 speaking to their doctors in a very improper
10 manner, he was no longer entitled to benefits
11 under 42-15-16 and 42-15-80. And, therefore,
12 the Respondents were not responsible for
13 further medical treatment.

14 Here, it's very similar, Your Honors.
15 Appellant was noncompliant with medical
16 treatment and he was not only rude to one or
17 two doctors, but three doctors. Please note
18 that these -- these are all very well respected
19 doctors in the Comp Department: Dr. Gunter,
20 Dr. Tavel, and Dr. Girault. Additionally, a
21 nurse case manager was worried about her own
22 safety and you will see through the evidence
23 respectfully requested to be taken off the
24 case. And we had to switch another nurse case
25 manager.



1 Specifically, Your Honors, I would like to
2 point you to the following, which is similar,
3 if not more egregious. On page 89 of
4 Defendant's APA, on February 28th, 2023,
5 Appellant called Dr. Gunter's office, berated
6 the staff, calling them out by name and even
7 calling one staff member the B word and a hag
8 and threatened to come into their office and,
9 quote, let them have it because he wanted pain
10 medication.

11 Further, on page 90, on March 6th, 2023,
12 Dr. Gunter's office documented an agreement
13 between (technical break in audio) and said
14 they can no longer continue with it. Then you
15 will see on page 128 and page 90, on March 6th,
16 2023, Dr. Gunter's office spoke with a young
17 lady who produced (technical break in audio)
18 and requested the Claimant to be specifically
19 referred out for compliance issues.

20 Further, on page 127, on March 7, 2023,
21 the nurse case manager notified Respondent that
22 Dr. Gunter's office was under the impression
23 that Claimant's girlfriend called impersonating
24 the nurse case manager.

25 Then on page 93, on April 25th, 2023,



1 Appellant had to control his medical treatment
2 in stating he is only interested in moving
3 forward with surgical intervention. Further,
4 on page 144 through 145, on May 11th, 2023, Dr.
5 Tavel's office notified the Respondent that
6 they would be releasing Claimant from his
7 practice due to his aggressive behavior. Your
8 Honors, now this is Dr. Gunter and Dr. Tavel.

9 So, his -- his belligerent behavior didn't
10 stop at the four walls of the doctors office.
11 Thereafter, as you will see on page 137, a
12 nurse case manager resigned because she was
13 genuinely concerned for her own safety because
14 the Appellant was making threatening comments
15 towards her.

16 Then you will see, on pages 123 and then
17 again pages 129 through 143, Claimant
18 consistently called Respondents' office,
19 including myself, the Carrier's office, making
20 threatening and disrespec- -- disrespectful
21 comments.

22 Despite all of this, Respondent still
23 provided him with yet another evaluation with
24 Dr. Girault, which you will find on pages 106
25 through 107. Yet again, this is now our third



1 doctor. Would not treat Appellant, because he
2 was combative upon arrival to the office and
3 told Dr. Girault what to do and not to do.
4 Additionally, Appellant's girlfriend recorded
5 the visits without -- without the doctors'
6 permission.

7 Oddly, Your Honors, you will see on the
8 hearing transcript, pages 11 through 12,
9 Appellant specifically requested his ability to
10 choose his own medical treatment and treat
11 independently outside of the comp system.

12 Respondents here assert that they've met
13 their burden of proof, that the current
14 evidence of Claimant's belligerent,
15 intentional, aggressive behavior to show
16 constructive medical noncompliance pursuant to
17 15- -- 42-15-60 and for- -- and 42-15-80, and
18 request this Court to take *Harris versus*
19 *Collins'* stance, that this type of behavior
20 won't be tolerated in the Comp system.

21 Further, the Workers' Comp doctors, as you
22 all know, are dwindling in South Carolina. If
23 we allow this type of behavior to continue, we
24 will have no doctors left to treat -- to treat
25 under the system.



1 Claimant had admitted wanting his --
2 wanting to, you know, treat on his own and
3 deliberately on numerous occasions failed to
4 cooperate with the Comp system. Therefore, we
5 are res- -- we respectfully request for this
6 Court to affirm the Single Commissioner's
7 decision that the Claimant is not entitled to
8 additional treatment and has constructively
9 abandoned his Comp case.

10 To quickly touch on the credit for medical
11 noncompliance, pursuant to 42-15-60 and 42-9-
12 10, Respondents have requested a credit for his
13 entire period of medical noncompliance. So,
14 that equated to a total of \$23,256.48. And
15 then lastly, as to the compensation rate, there
16 was a miscalculation of his compensation rate.
17 Once we were able to get his fu- -- full
18 payroll records, which detailed 22 weeks of
19 prior wages, we determined he had a \$361.84
20 comp rate, which equated to a total overpayment
21 during his entire period of \$6,850.58. So, in
22 total, Defendants and Respondents are
23 requesting a overpayment of \$30,107.06.

24 (Timer rings.)

25 That will -- Your Honors, that'd be my



1 time and may I briefly conclude?

2 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: Sure. Please.

3 MS. PIECHOTA: In all, in sum, we request this Court
4 to affirm all the Single Commissioner's ruling
5 and confirm everything that the Single
6 Commission has ruled on.

7 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: All right. Thank you very
8 much.

9 All right, Mr. Hoover, you do still have
10 three minutes in rebuttal.

11 APPELLANT'S REPLY:

12 MR. HOOVER: The only thing I have to say is pretty
13 much everything she just said is we've got
14 proof to back it up to see the twisted or false
15 or just flat out lies. We got her lying on
16 three different occasions, you know, we got
17 kind of black and white. So, I coul- -- I
18 could prove pretty much anything she said, but
19 I'm not gonna do it here. I want to get it to
20 the next level.

21 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: All right. Thank you very ---

22 MR. HOOVER: So ---

23 COMMISSIONER TAYLOR: --- much.

24 MR. HOOVER: --- I've got ample -- everything she
25 just said, I've got contradictory material,



1 info I could write, audio and video, which is
2 legal and is part of my amendment. And it's a
3 federal offense not to use it. So, we're gonna
4 be going with that. But I just want to take it
5 to the next level.

6 **COMMISSIONER TAYLOR:** Yes, sir. All right. Thank
7 you. That concludes this matter.

8 **(There being nothing further, the hearing concluded**
9 **at 1:53 p.m.)**

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CERTIFICATE

This is to certify that the within hearing consisting of fourteen (14) pages, is a true and correct transcript of the testimony given by said witnesses after being duly sworn; said hearing was reported by the method of Stenomask with Backup.

I further certify that I am neither employed by nor related to any of the parties in this matter or their counsel; nor do I have any interest, financial or otherwise, in the outcome of same.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and seal on July 17, 2025.



Amber Scarborough
Court Reporter

Notary Public for South Carolina
My Commission Expires: June 13, 2033



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RESPONDENTS' APAS/EXHIBIT D

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Patient Name: Walter Hoover

Encounter Date: 3/8/2019

Date of Birth: 9/6/1968
Account Number: 1116780

Chief Complaint: low back and right leg pain

History of Present Illness: Mr Hoover is a pleasant 50-year-old male who is seen in clinic today for evaluation of aching, burning, and stabbing pain in the lower back that radiates into the posterior lateral aspect of the right lower extremity. He also reports numbness in this distribution as well. He says his low back pain has been ongoing for over 10 years but the lower extremity symptoms began within the past year. He denies any recent traumatic event or injury. His symptoms have been getting progressively worse with time. He says "everything" will make his symptoms worse, particularly bending. He will have improvement with Aleve or sleeping with a sleeping bag between his legs. He is rating his current pain level as a 9/10 and says it is 75% back pain and 25% leg pain. He has done physical therapy in the past and has been continuing with a daily home exercise program but has not found this helpful. He does report a feeling of weakness in his lower back. He has Lortab from a recent hernia surgery and has been breaking the tablets in half when his pain is severe, but tries not to take these if possible. He denies any bladder or bowel incontinence. He has not had any recent imaging of the lumbar spine. He has never had any spinal injections or spinal surgeries.

Past Medical History: Hernia

Past Surgical History: Hernia repair Dec. 2018

Current Medications: Hydrocodone 7.5 mg-acetaminophen 325 mg tablet Oral

Drug Allergies: No known allergies

Family History: stroke

Personal and Social History: Mr. Hoover currently lives in Chapin, South Carolina. He is employed in food services at Spring Hill high school. He has never had a blood transfusion. He admits to smoking one pack of cigarettes per week for the past 15 years.

Review of Systems: As reviewed per patient intake packet

Physical Examination: On physical exam, Mr. Hoover is in no acute distress. He is alert and oriented x3. Cranial nerves II through XII are grossly intact. He is 6 feet tall and 225 pounds. Strength is diminished at a 3/5 in the right EHL and a 4/5 in the right TA, and he does have difficulty heel and toe walking on the right; otherwise strength is a 5/5 in the

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MD
3/11/2019

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Account number: 1116780
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Encounter Date: 3/8/2019

remaining muscle groups of the lower extremities. He reports decreased sensation to light touch over the lateral aspect of the right lower extremity below the knee. Right Achilles reflex is diminished as compared to the left which is 2+. Patellar reflexes are 2+ and symmetrical. Downgoing Babinski's bilaterally. Positive straight leg raise on the right. Negative straight leg was on the left. Negative Patrick's sign bilaterally. He is tender to palpation over the lumbar spine and paraspinal musculature, right more so than left. He is limited with flexion of the lumbar spine. His gait is antalgic favoring the right lower extremity. No dysvascular skin changes or rashes. No acute cardiovascular or respiratory distress. No edema noted.

Imaging Orders: 4 views of the lumbosacral spine were ordered, obtained and interpreted from an orthopedic standpoint.

Imaging Findings: AP, lateral, flexion and extension views of the lumbosacral spine were taken today, reviewed, and discussed with the patient. There is evidence of disc space narrowing noted L3/4 through L5/S1 and is most pronounced at the L3/4 level. There is osteophyte associated with this. No evidence of fracture or subluxation. No instability noted on flexion and extension views.

Diagnosis Codes:

M51.16 Intervertebral disc disorders with radiculopathy, lumbar region
M51.36 Other intervertebral disc degeneration, lumbar region
M47.896 Other spondylosis, lumbar region

Impression:

1. Right low back and lower extremity pain secondary to lumbar radiculitis with neurologic deficits on today's exam.
2. Lumbar degenerative disc disease.
3. Lumbar spondylosis.

Treatment Plan: Given his significant radicular symptoms and neurologic deficit that we move forward with a lumbar MRI scan. I will look into scheduling this as soon as possible. This is to include 3D reformations to better evaluate the exit foramen in anticipation of potential future injections and/or surgical considerations. Scheduling for this is currently underway. Patient is to return to clinic once the scan has been completed. Further treatment options will be discussed at that time. In the meantime I have written for Norco to be taken as needed for more severe pain. I have written for samples of Movantik to take before consultation as pain medications tend to cause him significant constipation.

Norco 5 mg-325 mg tablets were prescribed; side effects were discussed and appropriate instructions were provided. The patient was given sample of Movantik 25mg. An MRI of the lumbar spine was ordered. The scan will need to include 3-D reformations to evaluate for any potential extraforaminal herniations as well as anticipation of injection therapy or surgical intervention. The patient is to return when the result of MRI is available.

G. Robert Richardson, III, MD

GRR/MN/jbe

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MD
3/11/2019

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Patient Name:	HOOVER, WALTER	Accession Number:	G190308102026133
Patient ID:	1116780SSI	Requested Date:	March 8, 2019 10:47
Gender:	Male	Report Status:	Final
Date of Birth:	September 6, 1968	Requested	1
Home Phone:		Procedure:	
Referring Physician:	RICHARDSON, RICKY,	Procedure	LUMBAR WO
Organization:	SSI	Description:	
		Modality:	MR

Findings

Reporting MD: Holgate, MD, Richard
Dictation Time: March 8, 2019 10:51
Transcriptionist: Not available
Transcription Date:

LUMBAR

TECHNIQUE:

[The patient is examined on the High Field GE MR System a phased array coil is used to obtain images of the lumbar spine.]

SERIES:

[A multi-sequence, multi-angled, multi slice examination was carried out including myelotomography and 3-D reformations.]

OVERVIEW:

[Overview of the lumbar spine shows normal bony alignment and normal marrow signal apart from modic changes with no evidence of a congenital anomaly of the spine images of the hips, sacroiliac joints, piriformis muscles and proximal sciatic nerves reveal no abnormality.]

THORACIC SPINE:

[Views of the distal thoracic spine show a normal spinal cord and conus medullaris, normal vertebrae and mild spondylosis.]

INTERVERTEBRAL DISCS:

[L1-2. Mild non-compressive spondylosis.]

[L2-3. Moderate facet arthropathy and mild bulge with moderate to severe bilateral lateral recess stenosis and potential compression of the L3 roots.]

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L3-4. Moderate facet arthropathy, signal loss, disc space narrowing and shallow protrusion with moderate to severe bilateral lateral recess stenosis and probable compression of the L4 roots.

L4-5. Moderate facet arthropathy, signal loss and shallow protrusion with central accentuation with annular tear. There is severe bilateral lateral recess stenosis and probable compression of the L5 roots.

L5-S1. Moderate facet arthropathy, signal loss and a right lateral recess herniation with displacement probable compression of the right S1 root.]

3D REFORMATIONS AND MYELOTOMOGRAPHY:

[MR myelotomography is a 3D sequence which displays the distribution of cerebral spinal fluid within the lumbar subarachnoid space and simulates an x-ray myelogram without spinal injection. Multiple oblique projections were performed and confirm the findings above.]

OPINION:

[MRI of the lumbar spine including 3D myelotomographic images and multiplanar reformations shows spondylosis with potential/probable bilateral root compression at L2-3, L3-4 and L4-5. There is right-sided herniation at L5-S1 with probable compression of the right S1 root.]

PATIENT HISTORY:

50/M WITH LOW BACK AND RIGHT LEG PAIN FOR 10 YEARS. NO RECENT TRAUMA.

6'
225 LBS.

JAD
MRI A

Electronically signed by: Richard Holgate, MD (Mar 08, 2019 10:52:51)

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MRI REQUEST FORM

Name: **Walter Hoover**
DOB: **9/6/1968**
ACTT #: **1116780**

Home Phone: **(803) 394-3047**
Cell Phone: **(803) 394-3047**

Weight: **Weight 225lbs**
Sex: **male**

Reason for test: **Pain**

Referring Provider: **G. Robert Richardson, III, MD**

Referring Provider NPID: **1417932252**

Reporting Physician:

Suggested Diagnosis: **M51.16 Intervertebral disc disorders with radiculopathy, lumbar region**
M51.36 Other intervertebral disc degeneration, lumbar region
M47.896 Other spondylosis, lumbar region
R93.7 Abnormal Findings Diagnostic Imaging Musculoskeletal

Test Requested: **MRI of the lumbar spine**

☒ 3D Holograph Images ☐ With/Without Contrast ☐ With Contrast ☒ Without Contrast

X-ray Screening Cleared: **Walter Hoover Oral Sedation Given** ☐ Yes ☒ No

Claustrophobic: ☐ Yes ☒ No

MRI Appointment: Date: **3/8/2019**

Time: Bldg: ☒ A ☐ B

Doctor Appointment: Date:

Time:

Instructions:

GRS

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MRI PRE-SCREEN FORM

Patient Name: Walter Hoover

Date: 3/8/2019

Prescreening Questions: (prior to making appt)

- | | | |
|--|---|--|
| 1. In the past, have you ever worked with metal? | ☒ Yes | ☐ No |
| 2. Have you ever had metal in your eyes? | ☒ Yes | ☐ No |
| If Yes please order orbit xray | | |
| 3. Any chance of pregnancy? | ☐ Yes | ☐ No |
| If patient is pregnant, get written premission from SSI MD and send note to MRI. | | |
| 4. Brain Surgery? Type: | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| 5. Pacemaker, Neurostimulator, Internal Insulin Pump? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| 6. Heart/Heart Valve Surgery? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| 7. Cardiac Stent? Name: year | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| 8. Metallic/Other Implants? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| Type: Location: | | |
| 9. Abdominal Surgery? Colonoscopy with biopsy within the last 90 days. | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| If yes, obtain medical records and order abdomen xray. | | |
| 10. Intravascular Stent? Name/Location: | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| 11. Diabetic? (Get labs) | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| 12. Renal Failure/Dialysis | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| 13. Renal Disease/Insufficiency? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| 14. Hypertension? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| 15. History of severe liver disease/transplant or pending liver transplant? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |
| 16. Previous surgery of area? | ☐ Yes | ☒ No |

Notes:

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Encounter Date: 3/12/2019

Date of Birth: 9/6/1968

Account Number: 1116780

Mr. Hoover is seen today in follow up for complaints of low back and right lower extremity pain. Since his last visit he has undergone a lumbar MRI scan. This has been reviewed and discussed with the patient. There is evidence of multilevel disc degeneration primarily L3/4 through L5/S1. Findings are most pronounced at the L5/S1 level where there is a rather large right sided disc herniation with extruded disc material extending inferiorly behind the S1 vertebral body with entrapment of the transiting right S1 root. At L3/L4 and L4/L5 there is mild disc bulging and facet arthropathy resulting in a degree of bilateral lateral recess stenosis. There is also evidence of increased signal noted at the posterior aspect of the disc consistent with annular tear.

Mr. Hoover has ongoing complaints of pain radiating from the back to the right buttock extending to the posterior aspect of the thigh and posterolateral calf.

On exam, there is weakness noted primarily of the right EHL as well as gastrocnemius. Achilles reflex is absent on the right. Gait is antalgic. He has difficulty with heel and toe walking on the right.

Given his radicular complaints with neurologic deficits and findings of his MRI scan, I recommend at this point referral for consultation with one of our surgical partners. If surgery is not indicated at this time, I would be happy to see him back for consideration of epidural steroid injection. He will otherwise return to see me on a prn basis.

Diagnosis Codes:

M51.17 Intervertebral disc disorders with radiculopathy, lumbosacral region

M51.36 Other intervertebral disc degeneration, lumbar region

M47.896 Other spondylosis, lumbar region

Treatment Plan: Requested consult with surgeon.

G. Robert Richardson, III, MD

GRR/jbe

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MD
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Patient Name: Walter Hoover

Encounter Date: 3/21/2019

Date of Birth: 9/6/1968
Account Number: 1116780

History of Present Illness: I'm seeing the patient does request of Dr. Richardson for evaluation of lumbar radiculopathy

50-year-old male who comes in with complaints of back pain and right-sided leg pain. He states that he was working on a home exercise program about a month ago and he felt excruciating right-sided leg pain. He's had difficulty walking due to the severe pain. His pain is intense. He has had long-standing back pain for many years this was following an injury. His pain is severe traveling on the right leg to the foot numbness and tingling in the sole in the foot. His pain he rates as a 9 out of 10. It is worse with activity. Rest and medication is seen help his pain. No change in bowel or bladder function. No left-sided symptoms.

Past Medical History: Hernia

Past Surgical History: Hernia repair 2018

Current Medications: hydrocodone 7.5 mg-acetaminophen 325 mg tablet Oral, Norco 5 mg-325 mg tablet 1 tablet (s) by mouth Q4-6h

Drug Allergies: No known allergies

Family History: Family history positive for stroke. Negative for diabetes and glaucoma.

Personal and Social History: He is employed. He smokes 1 pack per week. He does not drink.

Review of Systems: 10 system review of systems completed by the patient intake questionnaire. Please see for details.

Physical Examination: No acute distress. Alert and oriented. Normal mood and affect.
Unlabored respirations.
Pupils equally round.
Stands upright, with the head well centered over the pelvis both the coronal and sagittal planes.
Walks with an antalgic gait.

Bilateral upper extremity:

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Sensation intact to light touch C4-T2.

Motor 5 out of 5 deltoid, biceps, triceps, wrist extension, wrist flexion, grip, and hand intrinsics.

Pulses 2+ and symmetric

Back:

Skin intact.

Bilateral lower extremities:

Sensation intact to light touch L1 to S1.

4 out of 5 right EHL and gastrocnemius, 5 minus out of 5 right tibialis anterior otherwise 5 out of 5 strength.

Hypoesthesias in the posterior aspect of the calf and sole of the foot.

Imaging Orders: 1 or more views of the pelvis was ordered, obtained and interpreted from an orthopedic standpoint.

Imaging Findings: AP pelvis shows no severe hip arthrosis.

Lumbar radiographs 4 view show lumbar spondylosis most severe L5-S1.

MRI lumbar spine from March 2019 does show a right L5-S1 disc extrusion with severe compression of the S1 root. There also does appear to be a component of foraminal stenosis at this level.

Diagnosis Codes:

M54.16 Radiculopathy, lumbar region

M47.896 Other spondylosis, lumbar region

Treatment Plan: 50-year-old male with right L5-S1 disc herniation and lumbar spondylosis with lateral recess stenosis and a component of foraminal stenosis with weakness on push off

I did have extensive discussion with the patient the office. His symptoms are primarily consistent with an S1 radiculopathy on the right. He has severe compression S1 root. This is due to his discrimination. He does have a component of foraminal stenosis at the L5-S1 level on the right side. He does have some mild weakness with EHL. He does not have a footdrop. We did discuss options for management of his condition. Given his severe pain and weakness I'm recommending surgical intervention. We will proceed an axillary manner with decompression and potential fusion. Fusion is indicated if we have to resect more than 50% of the facet joint at L5-S1. I'm planning on proceeding with a decompression alone L5-S1 with microdiscectomy and foraminotomy. He potentially could require transforaminal lumbar body fusion. We discussed these risks and benefits in great detail. He stated understanding. We will proceed with surgery.

We did discuss the risks and benefits of surgery including but not limited to risk of recurrence of her leg pain, persistent or worsening of her back pain, adjacent segment disease, pseudoarthrosis, postoperative hematoma, infection, postoperative neurological deficit, neurological injury, vascular injury, bleeding possibly necessitating a blood

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transfusion, damage to neural structures, cerebrospinal fluid leak possibly requiring bed rest for a few days or revision surgery and possibly even a lumbar cerebrospinal fluid drain, the need for revision operation, failure of fixation, failure of instrumentation, malpositioned instrumentation, blood clots, pulmonary embolism, heart attack, stroke, and death. I did specifically review that this may not be the last operation. There is always the risk of developing adjacent segment disease above and below the surgical site. I also specifically discussed the complication of a postoperative infection and that this complication can be catastrophic and require revision operations as well as long-term IV antibiotics and in some cases life long suppressive antibiotics. We did review the possible need for post-operative inpatient rehabilitation. After reviewing these risks and benefits, the patient stated understanding and provided verbal consent to proceed with the above mentioned surgery.

Recommending operative intervention in the form of lumbar spine laminectomy. The patient understands that they may not have immediate or dramatic relief but there is reason to be hopeful for clinical improvement with postoperative rehabilitation. The patient understands the risks include but are not limited to bleeding, infection, nerve damage, worsening pain, no relief of pain, need for further procedures and need for further surgery and hospitalization. The patient understands the surgery is designed to minimize symptoms but is not necessarily designed to alter their state of disability. Also given Walter's history, physical exam and diagnostic imaging, I do feel Walter would benefit from a custom fitted prefabricated LSO. As each patient's body habitus is unique, the orthosis will be adjusted to provide an individualized fit leading to optimal control thus facilitating the most effective results. An additional frontal corset low profile front panel has been ordered to be utilized during activities such as prolonged sitting. The orthosis will help reduce his pain by restricting mobility of the trunk as well as supporting spinal muscles. This will also provide increased lumbosacral stability which will reduce stress to the spinal structures and thereby aid in reducing his pain. Walter is instructed to begin wearing as of today.

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Patient Name: Walter Hoover

Encounter Date: 3/21/2019

Date of Birth: 9/6/1968
Account Number: 1116780

Patient Name: Walter Hoover

Walter Hoover is a patient of Dr. Bryan . He has ordered a custom fit spinal orthosis to be fit under his supervision for the patient to wear in times of increased activity to increase function, lumbar stabilization and pain control. It was determined based on the patient's height and weight they would be custom fit with a standard Orthomerica Carolina Custom Fit brace and front corset, modified to a large/XL. The orthosis was custom fitted to patient while standing. After evaluation the posterior panel was custom molded/bent to fit the patient's lordotic curve. Anterior and Posterior panels were confirmed to provide stabilization and coverage without soft tissue or bony structure interference. The belt was modified to allow for expansion for proper waistline fit. Pull closures were adjusted for optimum intracavitary pressure and for patient ease to use. To provide lateral strength and patient comfort, rigid lateral panels were trimmed as necessary. We achieved an excellent fit both sitting and standing. Patient was instructed of the donning and doffing of the orthosis. Instructions were given on the modular aspect of the orthosis from acute to chronic management. Patient has been given all written and verbal instructions on the wearing schedule, maintenance and care of the orthosis. The patient was very satisfied with the fit and function at the time of delivery.

Electronically signed by: Meghan Newby
Date: 3/21/2019

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Date of surgery: 3/29/2019	Time of surgery: 9:30
Admitting MD: Tim Bryan, MD	Assisting MD:
Incision to Dressing Time: 2'	Type of anesthesia: GENERAL
☒ MAIN or ☐ AMBULATORY	
Patient Name (Last, First): Hoover, Walter	
Patient Address: 140 Bakersland Road Chapin SC 29036	
Date of Birth: 9/6/1968 Age: 50	Patient Contact Number: (803) 394-3047
Next of Kin:	Patient Alternate Contact Number: (803) 394-3047
Admitting Diagnosis: M54.16 Radiculopathy, lumbar region M47.896 Other spondylosis, lumbar region	
Supporting Diagnosis:	
ADMIT TO: ☒ INPATIENT ☐ OUTPATIENT	
Post Operative Bed Request: ☐ M/S Floor ☐ PCU ☐ ICU ☐ WOMEN'S SERVICE	

Surgical consent for: RIGHT L5-S1 DECOMPRESSION WITH POSSIBLE FUSION

☒ Right ☐ Left ☐ Bilateral

CPT Code:

Requested PAT Date: 3/21/2019

Special O.R. Needs or Equipment Requests: C-ARM, GLOBUS, CELLSAVER, MONITORING, Jackson table **HOSPITALIST** pt. on the way after lunch

INSURANCE INFORMATION	
Primary Insurance Name: Sc Bcbs State	Secondary Insurance Name:
Name/DOB of Insured:	Name/DOB of Insured:
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Phone Number: 8455632000	Phone Number:
ID Number: ZCS78455499	ID Number:
Employer:	Employer:
Group Number:	Group Number:
Pre-Certified Physician's Office? ☐ Yes ☐ No	
Pre-Certification Number: Number of Days:	

Physician Signature:



Date: 3/21/2019

Time: 1:03 PM

Tim Bryan MD

FAX Signed Posting Orders to 416-6922
SCHEDULING PHONE # 416-6067
PRE-ADMISSION TESTING # 416-6180
After 5pm same day add on- Call OR 416-6280

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DME ORDER FORM

Patient Information

Name: **Walter Hoover**
DOB: **9/6/1968**

Home Phone: **(803) 394-3047**
Work Phone:

Weight: **Weight 225lbs**
Sex: **male**

Ordering Provider: **Tim Bryan, MD**

Diagnosis: **M51.36- Other intervertebral disc degeneration, lumbar region**

Equipment **L0639, L0972 - LSO s/c shell / panel prefab with Corset**
Requested: **Start Date: 3/21/2019**

Manufacturer **Orthomerica**

Name: **Carolina Custom Fit and additional Step Down Front Corset**

Qty: **1 each**

Comments:

Electronically signed by: **Tim Bryan, MD**
Date: **3/21/2019**

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Medical Necessity

Patient Name: Walter Hoover

Initial Date of Need: 3/21/2019

Estimate Length of Need: ☐ Weeks ☐ Months ☐ Years ☒ Lifetime

Diagnosis: ☐ M43.16 ☐ M54.16 ☐ M51.16 ☐ M48.07 ☐ M51.26 ☐ M47.816 xM51.36

Prognosis: Fair

Justification:

- ☒ Reduce pain by restricting mobility of trunk
- ☐ Facilitate healing from spinal or soft tissue injury of the spine
- ☐ Facilitate healing following a surgical procedure of the spine
- ☒ As support for weak spinal musculature or a spinal deformity that significantly impacts the ability to perform activities of daily living

**Description/ Usage of
Supplies:** L0639, L0972 - LSO s/c shell / panel prefab with Corset

Signature of provider certifies that the above represents his/her judgement of the patient's need for the item.



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Date: 3/27/2019

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that Walter Hoover is/has been under my orthopedic care.

- He is unable to work beginning today, 03/27/19. He is scheduled for lumbar spine surgery 03/29/19 and will need post-operative care and recovery for approximately six to twelve weeks.

Electronically signed by: Tim Bryan, MD
Date: 3/27/2019

Admit Order Form

Surgery Date: Fri 3/29/19 Surgery Time: 9:30



Name: **Walter Hoover**
Address: **140 Bakersland Road**
Chapin, SC 29036

Home Phone: **(803) 394-3047**
Work Phone:
Cell Phone: **(803) 394-3047**

Weight: **Weight 225lbs; 6'0"**
Sex: **male**
DOB: **9/6/1968**

Surgeon: **Tim Bryan, MD**

Classification:

- ☒ Inpatient Admit ☐ Outpatient Admit
☐ Outpt place in bed ☐ Short Stay

Pre-Admission Testing Date: **** on the way to PAT after lunch**

Pre-admission Testing:

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| ☒ CBC w/ diff | ☐ Chest X-Ray |
| ☒ BMP | ☐ Hospitalist |
| ☐ PT/PTT | ☐ Anesthesia Consult |
| ☐ Type and Screen | ☐ A1C |
| ☒ EKG | ☒ Issue SCD |
| ☐ BNP | |

Obtain Consent: **63030 - Lumbar Laminectomy**

Surgical Procedure: **Right L5-S1 decompression with possible fusion (2 hours)**

Diagnosis: **M54.16 Radiculopathy, lumbar region**
M47.896 Other spondylosis, lumbar region

Pre-op Spine Orders:

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| ☒ Pre-op Education -Surgical nurse | ☒ NPO after midnight | ☐ Clear Liquid diet (day prior) |
| ☒ Pre-op Education - Anesthesia | ☐ Bowel Prep (day prior) | |
| ☒ May use intradermal Lidocaine 1% 0.1 ml before IV start | | |
| ☒ Start LR IV at KVO rate (use Normal Saline and Renal Failure Pts) | | |
| ☒ Cefuroxime 1.5 grams IVPB prior to incision | | |
| ☒ If allergic to above medication, give: Vancomycin 1 gram IVPB prior to incision | | |

Pain: ☒ Right ☐ Left ☐ Bilateral ☐ R>L ☐ L>R

Instrumentation

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| ☒ Yes Cell Saver | ☐ Yes Nuvasive |
| ☒ Yes Monitoring | ☒ Yes Globus |
| ☒ Yes C-Arm | ☒ Yes Other: Jackson table |

SSI Use Only

- ☐ H&P
☒ MRI Rpt
☐ Office Note
☒ Team Appr

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Account number: 1116780
DOB: 9/6/1968
Encounter Date: 3/21/2019

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Date: 3/21/2019

Scheduled by: Kim Kettrick Date: 3/21/2019

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Report Name	Operative Note EMR No Cosign	Dictation Date/Time	03/29/2019 10:40:00
Dictating Physician	BRYAN, TIMOTHY P	Transcription Date/Time	03/29/2019 10:40:00
Medical Record Number	S692248	Document ID	6786200781
Account Number	22501571	Admit Date	03/29/2019 06:15:00
Date Of Birth	09/06/1968	Discharge Date	03/29/2019 16:00:00

Operative Report

Date/Time Note Created: 03/29/2019 10:40

Procedure(s) Performed:

1. Right L5-S1 decompression with partial medial facetectomy, hemilaminotomy, foraminotomy
2. Right L5-S1 discectomy

Procedure/Surgery Start:

3/29/2019_

Primary Surgeon(s):

Timothy P Bryan MD_

Assisted By:

Danny Butler PA_

Anesthesiologist/CRNA:

See anesthesia note_

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Anesthesia Type:

See anesthesia note_

Pre-Operative Diagnosis:

1. Right L5-S1 disc extrusion
2. Right L5-S1 calcified disc herniation
3. L5-S1 spondylosis
4. Right S1 radiculopathy_

Post-Operative Diagnosis:

Same_

Indications for Procedure:

50-year-old male with above-mentioned diagnoses. He failed conservative treatment. We did discuss options for management of his condition after failure of conservative treatment he elected to proceed with surgery. Risk benefits were explained and he gave verbal written consent to proceed._

Description of Procedure(s):

The patient was met in the preoperative holding area. The operative site was identified and marked. I once again reviewed the proposed procedure with the patient as well as risks and benefits. Verbal and written consent were obtained. Patient was taken to the operating room where general anesthesia was induced. IV access was obtained and secured. Spinal cord monitor needles were placed. The patient was placed prone on the open frame table. All bony prominences were well padded. He was secured to the table. He was prepped and draped in typical sterile orthopedic fashion. Following this, a timeout was performed verifying, verified by all members of the operating team verifying the correct patient, procedure, site. That preoperative antibiotics had been given. Bilateral sequential compression devices were on and

functioning. Following this, time-out, we commenced with surgery.

AP and lateral fluoroscopy was used to localize the disk space. Following this, a midline skin incision was made centered over the L5-S1 disk space. A right-sided subperiosteal exposure was performed exposing the spinous process, lamina, facet joint. The facet joint capsule was preserved. The McCullough retractor was then placed. This exposed an interlaminar space. A Penfield was placed in the interlaminar space and lateral fluoroscopy confirming the correct interlaminar space. Following this, ligamentum flavum was cleared off. I clearly identified the lamina above, lateral aspect of the pars and the facet joint. The facet joint capsule was preserved at all times. Hemilaminotomy was performed with Kerrisons and rongeur. This was taken up to the insertion of the ligamentum. The ligamentum flavum was then reflected with the nerve hook and resected with Kerrison rongeur.

Partial medial facetectomy was then performed. At all times, lateral aspect of the pars and the facet joint were identified to ensure there was not an extensive bony resection causing iatrogenic instability. Following this, the thecal sac and traversing root were easily identified. There was significant compression in the lateral recess of the traversing root. A partial medial facetectomy was then performed removing less than 50% of the facet joint. The root was then followed out distally. Following this, the traversing root was then mobilized with the Penfield and nerve root retractor. Paracentral disk herniation was identified. Please note there was an extrusion with cranial migration. This was removed in multiple large pieces. Then, a 90 degree ball probe was swept multiple times beneath the traversing root and thecal sac. There was calcified disc in the lateral recess and large osteophytes off the posterior lateral aspect of the vertebral body narrowing the lateral recess. There was extensive scar between the traversing root and this osteophyte. The Penfield was used to free up the nerve root and then the

calcified disc and osteophyte was removed with pituitary rongeur. There was a small amount of bone still adherent to the traversing root that was thinned but was unable to be completely removed. 90 degree ball probe then passed easily up and down following the traversing root and out the foramen. Ball probe also passed easily out the L5-S1 foramen. There was noted to be no residual fragments or compression. Multiple checks were made with a 90-degree ball probe and make sure no residual compression on the exiting root or the traversing root. This following the decompression, there was no residual compression noted on the traversing root. Meticulous hemostasis was obtained with bipolar electrocautery, FloSeal and bone wax. The wound was copiously irrigated. The wound was closed in layers.

The patient was extubated uneventfully and transferred to recovery room without apparent complication._

Finding(s):

Disc extrusion L5-S1 was calcified disc and posterior osteophytes and lateral recent_

Complications:

None_

Specimens Removed:

L5-S1 disc extrusion_

Implants/Explants:

None_

Estimated Blood Loss:

See anesthesia_

Patient Condition:

Stable_

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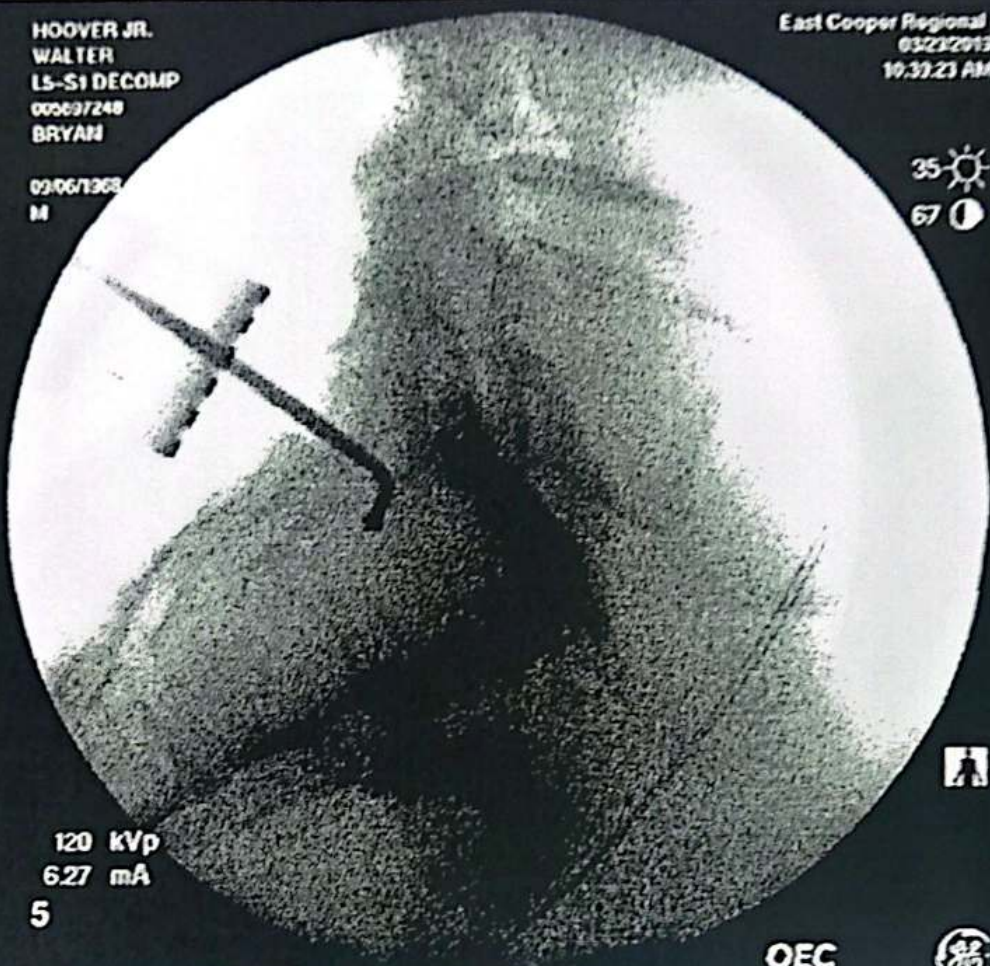
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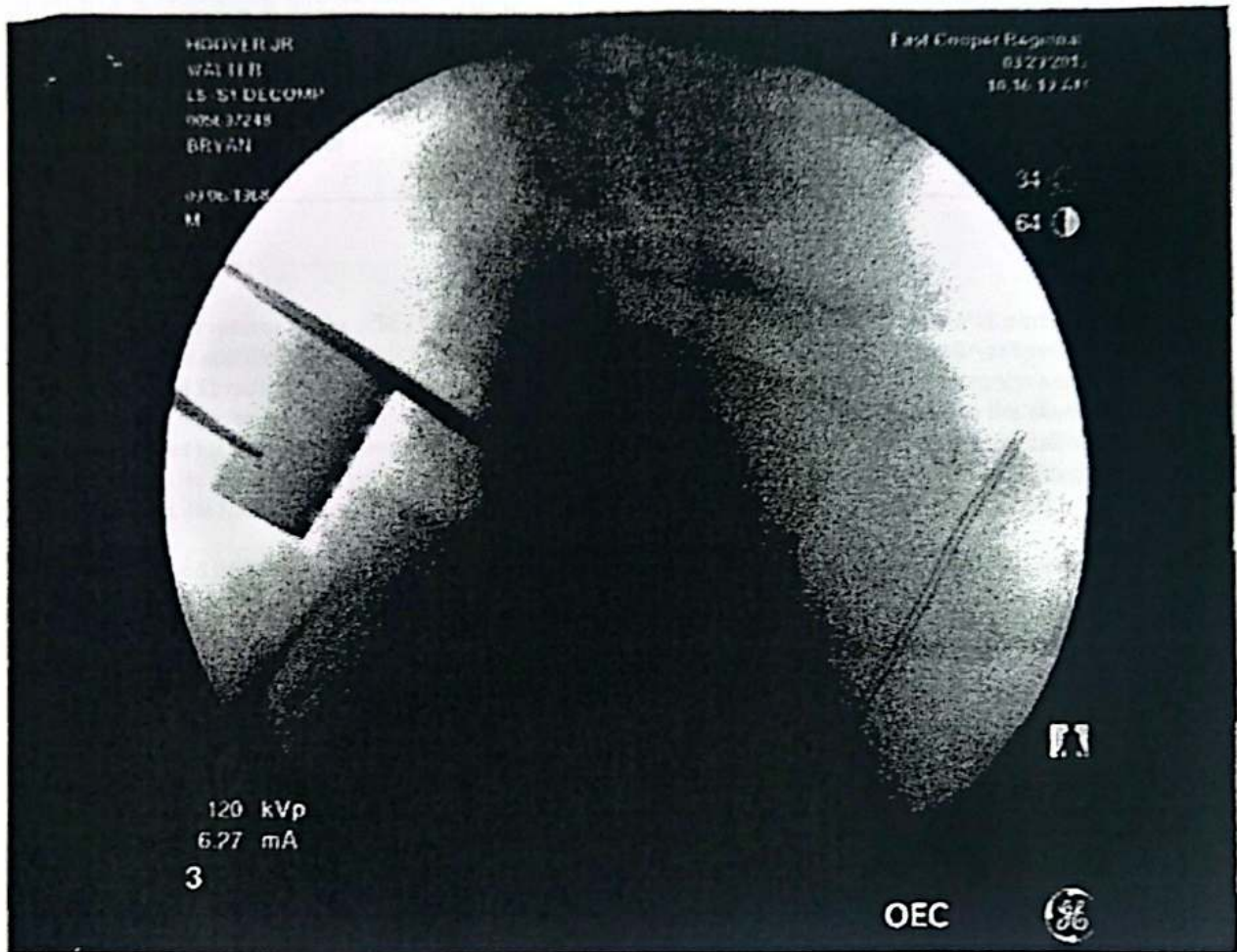
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Patient Name: Walter Hoover

Encounter Date: 4/16/2019

Date of Birth: 9/6/1968
Account Number: 1116780

CC: First post op

HPI: Mr. Hoover returns to the office for his first postoperative follow-up. He is 2 weeks status post right L5-S1 decompression and discectomy. His operation was completed on 3/29/19 by Dr. Timothy Bryant secondary to disc herniation and S1 radiculopathy. He rates his pain as a 2/10 on the visual analog scale. He reports near-complete resolution of his preoperative right lower extremity pain. He has some residual numbness to the plantar aspect of his foot but states his strength has improved. He denies completing any postoperative antibiotics or taking any pain medications. He denies fever, chills, shortness of breath, chest pains, lower extremity edema, bladder/bowel incontinence. He has been ambulating some throughout the day but not as much as recommended.

Imaging: AP and lateral lumbar films were obtained and reviewed. These are compared to his preoperative images. He has no evidence of instability

Incisions were inspected, bandages were removed. The incision/s are well approximated, clean, dry, and intact. There is no erythema, hematoma, exudates. He has 5/5 strength of the lower extremities bilaterally without focal muscle deficits. Negative Homans sign.

Generalized precautions, restrictions, red flag symptoms and wound care were discussed at today's visit. All questions were answered. I would like for the patient to follow-up in 4 weeks' time for reevaluation. Due to financial hardship he is requesting to return to work in a supervisory fashion. I have filled out a detailed work note to include restrictions. I also reviewed in great detail red flag symptoms and continued precautions. They are to contact the office sooner with any change in symptoms or concerns.

Imaging Orders:

X-rays of the lumbosacral spine were ordered, obtained and interpreted from an orthopedic standpoint.

Diagnosis Codes:

Z47.89 Encounter for other orthopedic aftercare

Treatment Plan: A work status report was created and given to the patient. Patient to return in 4 weeks for follow up.

Kimsey Cooper, PA-C

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STATUS / PROGRESS REPORT OF ILLNESS / INJURY

Date: 4/16/2019

Employee Name: Walter Hoover
Physician: Kimsey A Cooper

DOB: 9/6/1968

Work Related? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Indeterminate at this time

Work Status

- | | |
|---|---|
| ☐ Cannot work | ☒ Return to work with modified duties |
| ☐ Return to work immediately | ☐ Modified duties effective until return visit |
| ☐ Released from office | ☐ These restrictions are permanent |
| ☐ PPI assessed | ☐ Do not return to work until: |

Work Restrictions

Upper Extremity ☒ Right ☒ Left

- ☐ No use of affected extremity
- ☐ No firm gripping
- ☐ Must wear sling/cast
- ☐ No awkward wrist position
- ☒ No lifting over 10lbs.
- ☐ No repetitive motion
- ☐ No vibratory tools
- ☐ No overhead work (above shoulder)
- ☐ No commercial driving

Lower Extremity ☒ Right ☒ Left

- ☐ Seated work only/mainly
- ☒ No squatting/kneeling/twisting
- ☒ No climbing stairs/ladders
- ☐ No prolonged standing or walking
- ☒ Work with brace/cast
- ☒ No lifting over 10 lbs.
- ☐ Elevate when possible/continuous
- ☐ Crutches/cane/walker
- ☒ No twisting, pushing, pulling

Other Appropriate Duties / Comments:

If no job is available with the stated modified duties, consider Walter Hoover to be off work.

Special Instructions:

Status will be reevaluated at his next follow up in 4 weeks

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Kimsey Cooper-PA-C

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Date: 4/16/2019

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STATUS / PROGRESS REPORT OF ILLNESS / INJURY

Date: 4/25/2019

Employee Name: Walter Hoover

DOB: 9/6/1968

Physician: Kimsey A Cooper

Work Related? ☐ Yes ☒ No ☐ Indeterminate at this time

Work Status

- | | |
|---|---|
| ☐ Cannot work | ☐ Return to work with modified duties |
| ☐ Return to work immediately | ☐ Modified duties effective until return visit |
| ☐ Released from office | ☐ These restrictions are permanent |
| ☐ PPI assessed | ☒ Do not return to work until: 5/1/19 |

Work Restrictions

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- ☐ Crutches/cane/walker
- ☐ No twisting, pushing, pulling

Other Appropriate Duties / Comments:

If no job is available with the stated modified duties, consider Walter Hoover to be off work.

Special Instructions:

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Kimsey Cooper-PA-C

Electronically signed by: Kimsey Cooper, PA-C
Date: 4/25/2019



Patient Name: Walter Hoover

Encounter Date: 4/25/2019

Date of Birth: 9/6/1968
Account Number: 1116780

Mr. Hoovers work will not let him return with light duty restrictions. He has contacted the office asking us to release him to work full duty with the understanding he is advised not to bend, twist, lift greater than 10 pounds. He is in agreement that he will not complete tasks that require these activities/motions.

Electronically signed by: Kimsey Cooper, PA-C
Date: 4/25/2019

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Date: 4/29/2019

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that Walter Hoover is/has been under my orthopedic care.

- He may return to work on 5/1/2019
- After further review on patient's improvement and how well he is doing since his surgery of 03/29/19, restrictions have been lifted. He is able to return to work. He is able to resume regular work schedule beginning 05/01/19 without any of the former restrictions that were in place. I would like him to continue to wear his back brace until his next follow up on 05/15/19. He will be four and a half weeks out from his surgery on 05/01 and protocol following the type of surgery Mr Hoover had, patients normally return to work anywhere between 2 weeks and six weeks. He is doing extremely well and has not had any problems following his surgery. Any questions, feel free to contact me at the office.

Electronically signed by: Tim Bryan, MD
Date: 4/29/2019

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School District 5
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PHONE: _____ DATE: 4/29/19
RE: Walter Hoover PAGES: 2

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Return to work note

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06/01/2022 - UC in LMC Chapin Urgent Care

Reason for Visit

Chief Complaint [last edited by Jacobs, Mellada, RN on 6/1/2022 1737]

- Back Pain (C/o mid lower back pain since Friday after lifting a heavy object at work. The pain is where he had surgery 2 years ago)

Visit Diagnosis [last edited by Head, Lashell L, NP on 6/1/2022 1758]

Name	Is ED?
Acute right-sided low back pain with right-sided sciatica (primary)	Yes

Visit Information

Admission Information

Arrival Date/Time:	06/01/2022 1549	Admit Date/Time:	06/01/2022 1740	IP Adm. Date/Time:	
Admission Type:	Emergency	Point of Origin:	Non-healthcare Facility	Admit Category:	
Means of Arrival:	Car	Primary Service:	Emergency Medicine	Secondary Service:	N/A
Transfer Source:		Service Area:	LCHSD SERVICE AREA	Unit:	LMC Chapin Urgent Care
Admit Provider:		Attending Provider:	Head, Lashell L, NP	Referring Provider:	

ED Disposition

ED Disposition	Condition	User	Date/Time	Comment
Discharge	--	Head, Lashell L, NP	Wed Jun 1, 2022 6:00 PM	--

Discharge Information

Date/Time: 06/01/2022 1807	Disposition: Home Or Self Care	Destination: --
Provider: --	Unit: LMC Chapin Urgent Care	

Follow-up Information

Follow up With	Specialties	Details	Why	Contact Info
LMC Chapin Urgent Care	Urgent Care		If symptoms worsen or go to ER	557 Columbia Ave Chapin South Carolina 29036-8324 803-932-0655
LEXINGTON BRAIN AND SPINE INSTITUTE		Schedule an appointment as soon as possible for a visit	for recurrent sciatica and right low back pain	222 E Medical Lane, Ste 200 West Columbia South Carolina 29169-4848 935-8410

Level of Service

Level of Service

PR OFFICE/OUTPATIENT NEW LOW MDM

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Events

Admission at 6/1/2022 1740

Unit: LMC Chapin Urgent Care	Room: 02	Bed: 1-02
User: Jacobs, Mellada, RN	Patient class: Urgent Care	Service: Emergency Medicine

Discharge at 6/1/2022 1807

Unit: LMC Chapin Urgent Care	Room: 02	Bed: 1-02
User: Jacobs, Mellada, RN	Patient class: Urgent Care	Service: Emergency Medicine

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Medication List

Medication List

This report is for documentation purposes only. The patient should not follow medication instructions within.
For accurate instructions regarding medications, the patient should instead consult their physician or after visit summary.

Prior To Admission

None

Discharge Medication List

Medications last reviewed by Jacobs, Mellada, RN on 6/1/2022 1739

predniSONE 10 mg (STERAPRED DS) 6 day pak

Instructions: Day 1: 60 mg (6 tab); Day 2: 50 mg (5 tab); Day 3: 40 mg (4 tab); Day 4: 30 mg (3 tab); Day 5: 20 mg (2 tab); Day 6: 10 mg (1 tab);

Authorized by: Head, Lashell L, NP

Ordered on: 6/1/2022

Start date: 6/1/2022

Quantity: 1 kit

Refill: No refills remaining

Stopped in Visit

None

ED Provider Note

No documentation.

ED Notes

No documentation.

Clinical Notes

06/01/2022

MD Info for AVS by Head, Lashell L, NP at 6/1/2022 1759

Version 1 of 1

Author: Head, Lashell L, NP
Filed: 06/01/22 1759
Status: WrittenService: —
Date of Service: 06/01/22 1759
Editor: Head, Lashell L, NP (Nurse Practitioner)Author Type: Nurse Practitioner
Creation Time: 06/01/22 1759

Heat to affected area

No bending/lifting for 1 week^[LH.1M]

Electronically signed by Head, Lashell L, NP at 06/01/22 1759

Attribution Key

LH.1 - Head, Lashell L, NP on 06/01/22 1759
M - Manual

UC Provider Note by Head, Lashell L, NP at 6/1/2022 1807

Version 1 of 1

Author: Head, Lashell L, NP
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Creation Time: 06/01/22 1854

06/01/2022 - UC in LMC Chapin Urgent Care (continued)

Clinical Notes (continued)

History^[LH.1T]

Chief Complaint

Patient presents with

- Back Pain

C/o mid lower back pain since Friday after lifting a heavy object at work. The pain is where he had surgery 2 years ago^[LH.2T]

Patient is a 53 y.o. male. The history is provided by^[LH.1T] the patient^[LH.1M].^[LH.1T] No language interpreter was used^[LH.1M].^[LH.1T]

Ortho - Spine^[LH.1M]Primary Symptom:^[LH.1T] Lumbar^[LH.1M]Onset:^[LH.1T] Acute^[LH.1M]Episode Duration:^[LH.1T] 6 days^[LH.1M]Frequency:^[LH.1T] Constantly^[LH.1M]Progression:^[LH.1T] Unchanged^[LH.1M]Severity:^[LH.1T] Moderate^[LH.1M]Location:^[LH.1T] lumbosacra^[LH.1M]Radiation:^[LH.1T] Right leg^[LH.1M]Quality:^[LH.1T] Aching^[LH.1M]

Associated Symptoms:^[LH.1T] no urinary retention^[LH.1M],^[LH.1T] no bladder incontinence^[LH.1M],^[LH.1T] no neurological deficit^[LH.1M] and^[LH.1T] no saddle paresthesia

walter Hoover Jr. Presents with right lumbar back pain after lifting heavy 5 days ago. Hx of back surgery in Charleston. He tried to see his neurosurgeon but was unable And would like to establish with someone local. He feels pain down the posterior right leg to knee level and numbness in the bottom of the right foot. No neurological symptoms otherwise. Aleve has not helped.^[LH.1M]

Past Medical History:

Diagnosis

Date

- Hernia, inguinal

Past Surgical History:

Procedure

Laterality

Date

- HERNIA REPAIR
- KNEE SURGERY
- TYMPANOSTOMY TUBE PLACEMENT

Family History

Problem

Relation

Age of Onset

- Stroke

Father

Social History

Social History Narrative

- Not on file

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Clinical Notes (continued)

Social History

Tobacco Use

- Smoking status: Former Smoker
- Packs/day: 0.50
- Types: Cigarettes
- Smokeless tobacco: Never Used

Substance Use Topics

- Alcohol use: No
- Drug use: Yes
- Types: Marijuana

Allergies

Allergen

- Tylenol [Acetaminophen]

Reactions

Swelling

Home Medications

Medication

predniSONE 10 mg (STERAPRED DS) 6
day pak

Sig

Day 1: 60 mg (6 tab); Day 2: 50 mg (5
tab); Day 3: 40 mg (4 tab); Day 4: 30 mg
(3 tab); Day 5: 20 mg (2 tab); Day 6: 10
mg (1 tab);^[LH.2T]

Discontinued?

Review of Systems

Constitutional:^[LH.1T] Negative^[LH.1M].Genitourinary: Negative for^[LH.1T] bladder incontinence^[LH.1M] and^[LH.1T] difficulty urinating^[LH.1M].Musculoskeletal: Positive for^[LH.1T] back pain^[LH.1M]. Negative for^[LH.1T] gait problem^[LH.1M].Neurological: Positive for^[LH.1T] numbness^[LH.1M]^[LH.1T].All other systems reviewed and are negative^[LH.1M].

Physical Exam

Initial UC Vital Signs:^[LH.1T]Blood Pressure: 144/82 Heart Rate: 64 Temp: 98.3 °F (36.8 °C) Resp: 18 SpO2: 98 %^[LH.2T]Last Documented Vital Signs This Encounter:^[LH.1T]BP 144/82 | Pulse 64 | Temp 98.3 °F (36.8 °C) | Resp 18 | Ht 6' (1.829 m) | Wt 104.3 kg (230 lb) | SpO2 98% |
BMI 31.19 kg/m²^[LH.2T]

Visual Acuity:

Physical Exam^[LH.1T]Vitals^[LH.1M] and^[LH.1T] nursing note^[LH.1M] reviewed.

Constitutional:

General: He is^[LH.1T] not in acute distress^[LH.1M].Appearance:^[LH.1T] Normal appearance^[LH.1M]. He is not^[LH.1T] ill-appearing^[LH.1M] or^[LH.1T] toxic-appearing^[LH.1M].

06/01/2022 - UC in LMC Chapin Urgent Care (continued)

Clinical Notes (continued)

HENT:

Head:[LH.1T] Normocephalic[LH.1M] and[LH.1T] atraumatic[LH.1M].

Eyes:

Extraocular Movements:[LH.1T] Extraocular movements intact[LH.1M].

Pulmonary:

Effort: Pulmonary effort is[LH.1T] normal[LH.1M].

Musculoskeletal:

General:[LH.1T] Tenderness[LH.1M] and[LH.1T] signs of injury[LH.1M] present.

Comments:[LH.1T] **Decreased lumbar flexion and lateral rotation noted. Right lumbar paraspinal muscles and SI joint tenderness noted.**[LH.1M]

Skin:

General: Skin is[LH.1T] warm[LH.1M] and[LH.1T] dry[LH.1M].

Findings: No[LH.1T] rash[LH.1M].

Neurological:

General:[LH.1T] No focal deficit[LH.1M] present.

Mental Status: He is[LH.1T] alert[LH.1M] and[LH.1T] oriented to person, place, and time[LH.1M].

Motor: No[LH.1T] weakness[LH.1M].

Gait:[LH.1T] Gait[LH.1M] normal.

Deep Tendon Reflexes:[LH.1T] Reflexes normal[LH.1M].

Comments:[LH.1T] (-) SLR bilat[LH.1M]

Psychiatric:

Mood and Affect:[LH.1T] Mood[LH.1M] normal.

UC Course[LH.1T]

Orders Placed This Encounter

- predniSONE 10 mg (STERAPRED DS) 6 day pak[LH.2T]

Procedures[LH.1M]

No orders to display

Labs - No data to display

UC Discharge Orders (From admission, onward)

None

UC Prescriptions

Medication	Sig	Dispens e	Start Date	End Date	Auth. Provider
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Clinical Notes (continued)

Medication	Sig	Dispense	Start Date	End Date	Auth. Provider
predniSONE 10 mg (STERAPRED DS) 6 day pak	Day 1: 60 mg (6 tab); Day 2: 50 mg (5 tab); Day 3: 40 mg (4 tab); Day 4: 30 mg (3 tab); Day 5: 20 mg (2 tab); Day 6: 10 mg (1 tab);	1 kit	6/1/2022		Head, Lashell L, NP ^[LH.2T]

Diagnosis:^[LH.1T]

Final diagnoses:

Acute right-sided low back pain with right-sided sciatica (Primary)^[LH.2T]

Follow Up Instructions:^[LH.1T]

LMC Chapin Urgent Care
557 Columbia Ave
Chapin South Carolina 29036-8324
803-932-0655

If symptoms worsen or go to ER

LEXINGTON BRAIN AND SPINE INSTITUTE
222 E Medical Lane, Ste 200
West Columbia South Carolina 29169-4848
935-8410

Schedule an appointment as soon as possible for a visit
for recurrent sciatica and right low back pain

Disposition: Discharge

Departure Condition: Stable

Mobility at Departure: Ambulatory

Patient Teaching: Discharge instructions reviewed, Follow-up care reviewed, Medications discussed, Patient verbalized understanding, Family member verbalized understanding

Departure Mode: With family

Instructions from your Urgent Care Provider

Heat to affected area

No bending/lifting for 1 week^[LH.2T]

06/01/2022 - UC in LMC Chapin Urgent Care (continued)

Clinical Notes (continued)

LMC UC MDM CODING:

Review of Previous:[LH.1T] Notes[LH.1M]

Notes comment:[LH.1T] Prior visits noted[LH.1M]

Interpretation:[LH.1T] Pulse ox[LH.1M]

Pulse Ox comment:[LH.1T] 98%[LH.1M]

Consult other physician:[LH.1T] No[LH.1M]

Patient Progress:[LH.1T] Stable[LH.1M]

MDM Comments:[LH.1T] Walter Hoover Jr presents with right LBP and right sciatica x 6 days after lifting heavy. (+) right leg pain and foot numbness. NAD on exam. Neg neuro findings. SI joint TTP on the right. Decreased lumbar flexion. Discharged with oral steroids. Apply heat. Follow up in ER if worse; otherwise recommended establish with Lexington Brain and Spine for local care.[LH.1M]

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LaShell L. Head, FNP
Lexington Medical Center
Chapin Urgent Care[LH.1T]

Electronically signed by Head, Lashell L, NP at 06/01/22 1858

Attribution Key

LH.1 - Head, Lashell L, NP on 06/01/22 1854
LH.2 - Head, Lashell L, NP on 06/01/22 1858
M - Manual, T - Template

Labs with Orders

No documentation.

Imaging with Orders

No documentation.

06/01/2022 - UC in LMC Chapin Urgent Care (continued)

Procedures

No documentation.

Other Orders

Medications

predniSONE 10 mg (STERAPRED DS) 6 day pak (Active)

Status: Active

Electronically signed by: Head, Lashell L, NP on 06/01/22 1759

Ordering user: Head, Lashell L, NP 06/01/22 1759

Ordering provider: Head, Lashell L, NP

Authorized by: Head, Lashell L, NP

Ordering mode: Standard

Frequency: Routine 06/01/22 - Until Discontinued

Class: Normal

Admin instructions: Day 1: 60 mg (6 tab); Day 2: 50 mg (5 tab); Day 3: 40 mg (4 tab); Day 4:
30 mg (3 tab); Day 5: 20 mg (2 tab); Day 6: 10 mg (1 tab);

Flowsheets

Anthropometrics

Row Name 06/01/22 1737

Anthropometrics

Weight Change 0 % -MJ at 06/01/22
1738

ASSESSMENT ACUITY

Row Name 06/01/22 1740

ASSESSMENT ACUITY

Patient Acuity Non-Urgent -MJ at
06/01/22 1740Initial Initial Assessment
Assessment Complete -MJ at
Complete 06/01/22 1740

Custom Formula Data

Row Name 06/01/22 1737

OTHER

Rate (mL/hr) 62.6 -MJ at 06/01/22
1738ABW 88.29 -MJ at 06/01/22
1738Rate (mL/hr) 125.2 -MJ at 06/01/22
1738Rate (mL/hr) 187.8 -MJ at 06/01/22
1738Rate (mL/hr) 250.4 -MJ at 06/01/22
1738Rate (mL/hr) 313 -MJ at 06/01/22
1738Rate (mL/hr) 375.6 -MJ at 06/01/22
1738Rate (mL/hr) 438.2 -MJ at 06/01/22
1738Rate (mL/hr) 500.8 -MJ at 06/01/22
1738Rate (mL/hr) 563.4 -MJ at 06/01/22
1738Increment Vol 31.3 -MJ at 06/01/22
1738Increment Vol 62.6 -MJ at 06/01/22
1738

Increment Vol 93.9 -MJ at 06/01/22

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Flowsheets (continued)

	1738	
Increment Vol	125.2	-MJ at 06/01/22
	1738	
Increment Vol	156.5	-MJ at 06/01/22
	1738	
Increment Vol	187.8	-MJ at 06/01/22
	1738	
Increment Vol	219.1	-MJ at 06/01/22
	1738	
Increment Vol	250.4	-MJ at 06/01/22
	1738	
Increment Vol	281.7	-MJ at 06/01/22
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Total Vol	31.3	-MJ at 06/01/22
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Total Vol	93.9	-MJ at 06/01/22
	1738	
Total Vol	187.8	-MJ at 06/01/22
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Total Vol	313	-MJ at 06/01/22
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Total Vol	469.5	-MJ at 06/01/22
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Total Vol	657.3	-MJ at 06/01/22
	1738	
Total Vol	876.4	-MJ at 06/01/22
	1738	
Total Vol	1126.8	-MJ at 06/01/22
	1738	
Total Vol	1408.5	-MJ at 06/01/22
	1738	
BSA (Calculated - sq m)	2.3 sq meters	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
BMI (Calculated)	31.2	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
IBW/kg (Calculated) Male	77.6 kg	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
IBW/kg (Calculated) FEMALE	73.1 kg	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Dishcharge weight	3680	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Weight in (lb) to have BMI = 25	183.9	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
BMI	31.2	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Ideal Body Weight (kg)	80.74 kg	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Ideal Body Wgt (lb)	178 lb	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Percent of Ideal Body Weight	129.21 Percent	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Excess Body Weight (kg)	23.56 kg	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Excess Body Wgt (lb)	52 lb	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Percent Weight Change Since Birth	0	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
IBW/kg (Calculated)	77.6	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Low Range Vt 6cc/kg	465.6 mL	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Adult Moderate Range Vt 8cc/kg	620.8 mL	-MJ at 06/01/22 1738

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Flowsheets (continued)

Adult High Range	776 mL -MJ at
Vt 10cc/kg	06/01/22 1738
Increment Vol	15.7 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Increment Vol	31.3 -MJ at 06/01/22
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Increment Vol	47 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Increment Vol	37.6 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Increment Vol	47 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Increment Vol	56.3 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Increment Vol	65.7 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Increment Vol	75.1 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Rate (mL/hr)	31.3 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Rate (mL/hr)	62.6 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Rate (mL/hr)	93.9 -MJ at 06/01/22
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Rate (mL/hr)	125.2 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Rate (mL/hr)	156.5 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Rate (mL/hr)	187.8 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Rate (mL/hr)	219.1 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Rate (mL/hr)	250.4 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Total Vol	15.7 -MJ at 06/01/22
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Total Vol	47 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Total Vol	94 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
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Total Vol	178.6 -MJ at 06/01/22
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Total Vol	234.9 -MJ at 06/01/22
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Total Vol	300.6 -MJ at 06/01/22
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Total Vol	375.7 -MJ at 06/01/22
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Dose	15.7 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Increment Vol	31.3 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Increment Vol	62.6 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Increment Vol	93.9 -MJ at 06/01/22
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Increment Vol	75.1 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Increment Vol	93.9 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Increment Vol	112.7 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Increment Vol	131.5 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Increment Vol	150.2 -MJ at 06/01/22
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Increment Vol	169 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738
Rate (mL/hr)	62.6 -MJ at 06/01/22
	1738

06/01/2022 - UC in LMC Chapin Urgent Care (continued)
Flowsheets (continued)

Rate (mL/hr)	125.2 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Rate (mL/hr)	187.8 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Rate (mL/hr)	250.4 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Rate (mL/hr)	313 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Rate (mL/hr)	375.6 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Rate (mL/hr)	438.2 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Rate (mL/hr)	500.8 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Rate (mL/hr)	563.4 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Total Vol	15.7 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Total Vol	93.9 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Total Vol	187.8 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Total Vol	262.9 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Total Vol	356.8 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Total Vol	469.5 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Total Vol	601 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Total Vol	751.2 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Total Vol	920.2 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738

GYN Bundle - Risk Assessment

BMI (Calculated)	31.2 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
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Adult IBW/VT Calculations

IBW percentage	4742.27 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
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Departure Condition

Row Name	06/01/22 1807
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Departure Condition

Mobility at Departure	Ambulatory -MJ at 06/01/22 1807
Patient Teaching	Discharge instructions reviewed; Follow-up care reviewed; Medicatio ns discussed; Patient verbalized understanding; Famil y member verbalized understanding -MJ at 06/01/22 1807
Departure Mode	With family -MJ at 06/01/22 1807

DI BP Formula

06/01/2022 - UC in LMC Chapin Urgent Care (continued)
Flowsheets (continued)

Row Name	06/01/22 1737
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OTHER

BP Formula	144 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
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Disposition/Condition

Row Name	06/01/22 1800
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Disposition/Condition

Disposition	Discharge -LH at 06/01/22 1800
Departure Condition	Stable -LH at 06/01/22 1800

Pain Assessment

Row Name	06/01/22 1737
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ED Pain Assessment Timer

ED Auto Pain Reassessment	Yes -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
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Shock Index

Row Name	06/01/22 1737
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OTHER

Shock Index	0.44 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
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Tetanus

Row Name	06/01/22 1740
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Tetanus up to date

Tetanus up to date?	Yes -MJ at 06/01/22 1740
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Travel/Exposure Screening

Row Name	06/01/22 1737
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Travel Screening

Have you traveled in the last 30 days?	No -MJ at 06/01/22 1737
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Exposure Screening

Have you been in contact with anyone that has been diagnosed with an infectious disease within the last 30 days?	No -MJ at 06/01/22 1737
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Vaccination Screening

Row Name	06/01/22 1740
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Covid-19 Vaccine Screen - Year Round

If eligible to	No -MJ at 06/01/22 1740
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Flowsheets (continued)

receive a dose of
the Covid
vaccine, are you
interested?

Visit History

Row Name	06/01/22 1605
OTHER	
Visit History	New -NS at 06/01/22 1605

Vital Signs

Row Name	06/01/22 1737
Height and Weight	
Height	6' (1.829 m) -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Height Method	Stated -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Weight	104.3 kg (230 lb) - MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Weight Method	Stated -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Vital Signs	
Temp	98.3 °F (36.8 °C) - MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Temp src	Oral -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Pulse	64 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Resp	18 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Respiration Description	Regular;Non- Labored -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
BP	144/82 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Pain Assessment	
Pain Assessment	0-10 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Pain Score	7 -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
Oxygen Therapy	
SpO2	98 % -MJ at 06/01/22 1738
O2 Device	None (Room air) - MJ at 06/01/22 1738

Vitals Reassessment

Row Name	06/01/22 1737
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Automatic Restart Vitals Timer	Yes -MJ at 06/01/22 1738

Vitals Reassessment

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Work/School Excuse

Row Name	06/01/22 1759
Excuse from Work/School/Sport	
Work/School/Sport	no work for three days -LH at 06/01/22 1800
Excuse Comments	No bending/lifting for 1 week -LH at 06/01/22 1800

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Initials	Name	Effective Dates	Provider Type	Discipline
NS	Swanson, Nicole R	—	—	—
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LH	Head, Lashell L, NP	11/23/20 -	Nurse Practitioner	—

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**Conditions of Admission and General Consent
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AUTHORIZATION FOR TREATMENT: By my signature below, I consent to any procedure, examination or treatment rendered by the physicians or advanced practice providers taking part in my care. I understand that I am under the control of attending physicians and the hospital is not liable for any act or omission in following the instructions of said physicians. I am aware that the practice of medicine and surgery is not an exact science, and I acknowledge that no guarantees have been made as to the result of treatment or examination. I acknowledge that resident physicians, nurses, students, and other qualified personnel may also assist in, or otherwise take part in, my care.

I consent to appropriate test for the presence of infection, such as, but not limited to, infection by the Hepatitis B virus or the human immunodeficiency virus, if deemed necessary for the protection of others, and I authorize withdrawal of blood or other body fluids this purpose. I also understand the organization is required to disclose the results of some communicable diseases, such as HIV, TB, and Viral Meningitis to DHEC and/or the Center for Disease Control Prevention. I understand that if my medical record contains documentation of alcohol abuse, psychiatric condition, drug abuse, or communicable disease, this information will be released as part of my medical record. I consent to the photographing or televising of any procedure to be performed, including appropriate portions of my body, for medical, scientific or educational purposes, provided my identity is not revealed. I further understand that video cameras may be used in patient rooms for observation purposes.

I consent and give permission to LMC to photograph me in connection with medical identity theft prevention.

I authorize Lexington Medical Center to contact me on any cell phone number provided by me for the purpose of conducting business with me or contacting me concerning my account. I consent to the use of automated dialers for that purpose.

RELEASE OF INFORMATION: I authorize release of medical records/information to health care providers as deemed necessary for the continuity of care and for the purpose of review, payment and appeal by me or on my behalf or my insurance carrier.

Lexington Medical Center will make our best effort to pre-certify and or pre-authorize treatment with third party payers who conduct Utilization Review as a service to patients. However, Lexington Medical Center does not accept responsibility for the lack of pre-certification and/or pre-authorization and is not responsible for the final payment outcomes or timing restraints.

MEDICARE-MEDICAID PATIENT'S CERTIFICATION: I certify that the information given by me in applying for payment under Title XVIII and XIX of the Social Security Act is correct. I request that payment of authorized benefits be made on my behalf.

ASSIGNMENT OF INSURANCE/LIABILITY BENEFITS: I authorize and direct my insurers to pay directly to Lexington Medical Center and/or its physicians and and all benefits up to the amount of my bill pertaining to all charges incurred. I assign to Lexington Medical Center, including its affiliates, any and all benefits or proceeds, of any type whatsoever, to which I am entitled, with

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respect to the health care service(s) I receive, including but not limited to, the proceeds of any liability settlement or judgment being paid by or on behalf of a third-party and any benefits due from any third-party insurance policy. I direct that all such benefits be paid directly to Lexington Medical Center and/or its affiliates, including its physicians, and applied to my account(s) until the account(s) is paid in full. I understand that I am personally responsible for any remaining fees.

PROMISE TO PAY ACCOUNT: FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION of service rendered by Lexington Medical Center; I promise to pay all charges incurred for the account on the patient. In the event that I default in the obligation of payment to Lexington Medical Center, I understand that my account(s) can be placed with a collection agency and/or Lexington Medical Center can place my account in the Department of Revenue's Debt Set-Off program and /or a judgment may be secured against any owned property to the extent of the unpaid bill. I further agree to pay reasonable attorney's fees, collection fees, Debt Set-Off administrative fees and court costs if my account is placed for legal or third party collection action.

I understand that I am financially responsible to Lexington Medical Center for all charges not covered, approved or considered necessary by my insurance. I will pay at the time of service or have agreeable payment arrangement set up with the Patient Accounts Office.

Patient to initial here



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HOSPITAL PATIENT SAFETY ACT: I acknowledge that I have received information regarding my rights under the Hospital Patient Safety Act.

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Or brochure Hoover, Walter R Jr.
Print Name

Relationship

PHYSICIANS AS INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS: I recognize that some physicians who may be involved in my care, such as radiologists and pathologists, are independent contractors and are not employees or agents of the hospital. Separate bills will be sent for their services. I authorize and direct the named insurers to pay benefits directly to these physicians for services

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THIS FORM HAS BEEN EXPLAINED TO ME; I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND IT.

Signature of Patient

Walter R Hoover Jr

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Signature of Patient

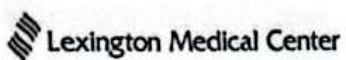
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Hoover, Walter R Jr.
MRN: M001371678, DOB: 9/6/1968, Sex: M
Adm: 6/1/2022, D/C: 6/1/2022

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Nicole R Swanson
Witness

6/1/2022
Date

6/1/2022
Date

Second Witness Signature

Hoover,Walter R Jr.
M001371678
100059442403
9/6/1968 Male
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Hoover, Walter R Jr. (MRN M001371678)

Encounter Date: 06/01/2022

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Phone: 803-932-0655

Walter R Hoover Jr.
MRN: M001371678

Department: LMC Chapin
Urgent Care
Date of Visit: 6/1/2022

Disclaimer

Thank you for selecting us for your healthcare needs. The examination and treatment you have received in the Urgent Care has been rendered on an walk in basis and is NOT intended to be suitable for or an effort to provide complete medical care. It is important that you follow all discharge instructions as discussed and provided by the Urgent Care staff. You may call us at (803)791-2350 or return to the Urgent Care if your problem worsens or your physician is unavailable. In addition, Lexington Medical Center's Emergency Department is available 24 hours daily.

I have received, read and understand the discharge and follow up instructions provided as part of my visit to the Urgent Care.

Diagnoses this visit

Your diagnosis was: Acute right-sided low back pain with right-sided sciatica

You were seen by

You were seen by: Head, Lashell L, NP

Patient Signature:

Walter R Hoover Jr.

Date/Time:

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Staff Signature:

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Physician Return to Work Form

Date of Exam 6/10/2022

Provider Samuel Davis

Patient Name RICKY HOOVER

Ricky was seen in office today please excuse and will be on light duty with no lifting more than 10lbs til follow up from MRI

Samuel Davis, MD

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Date of Exam 6/10/2022
Patient Name RICKY HOOVER
DOB 05/06/1968
Provider Samuel Davis, MD

History

Chief Complaint low back and radiating right leg pain

History of Present Illness (Lumbar)

Patient comes in for evaluation of pain radiating from the lower back and down the right lower extremity. This has been present for about 2 weeks. Patient states that this was caused by doing heavy items at work. The patient has not had physical therapy/ Chiropractic care. The patient continues to perform HEP. The patient has been taking NSAIDs. These offer little help. The pain is worse with walking. The patient is having difficulty walking. Patient has difficulty performing activities of daily living. Quality of life is progressively declining.

The patient rates the pain as 7 out of 10.

The patient has not had previous lumbar surgery.

The patient has not had epidural injections.

Allergies

No known drug allergies

Medications

No Current Meds*

Past History

Medical History No Medical History Reported.

Surgical History No Surgical History Reported and CHANNEL GROOVED IN SPINAL CORD FOR SCIATIC NERVE TO REST.

Social History Patient is right handed. Patient does not use alcohol, caffeine, illicit drugs or tobacco.

Review of Systems

Constitutional	No fever, fatigue, weakness or sudden weight change
Eyes	Normal visual acuity, no blurred vision or excessive tearing
HEENT	Normal auditory acuity, no nasal discharge or difficulty swallowing
Cardiovascular	No chest pains or palpitations or high blood pressure
Respiratory	No shortness of breath or cough
Gastrointestinal	Patient has history of abdominal pain and rectal bleeding.
Genitourinary	No dysuria or hematuria
Musculoskeletal	No generalized joint pain, stiffness, weakness or muscle pain
Skin	No rashes or jaundice
Neurological	No headache, dizziness or memory loss
Psychiatric	No mood change, depression or nervousness
Endocrine	No thyroid enlargement, sweating or excessive thirst
Hematolympathic	No bruising, swollen glands or anemia
Immunological	Patient has history of reactions to drugs.

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Vital Signs

Height (in) 72.0
Weight (lbs) 230.0
BMI 31.190200617284

Exam

Lumbar Alert and oriented x3
No wounds or lesions of the skin
Pedal pulses are present and normal
Tenderness to palpation over L5
Positive right straight leg raise

ROS
Ten systems were reviewed and are negative except per the HPI

STRENGTH
Right Quad 5, tibialis anterior 5 (out of 5)
Left quad 5, tibialis anterior 5 (out of 5)

SENSORY
Sensation right L4 nl, L5 nl, S1 nl
Sensation left L4 nl, L5 nl, S1 nl

Lumbar ROM limited due to pain
Gait is antalgic

Imaging

Lumbar X-RAY Lumbar Spine, 4+ Views

x-rays of the lumbar spine were reviewed by myself show normal lordotic alignment. No acute osseous abnormalities identified.

Diagnosis

M54.5 Low back pain
M54.16 Radiculopathy, lumbar region

Plan

Lumbar patient has been having low back and radiating right leg pain for about 2 weeks after having an incident at work. X-rays show no acute osseous abnormalities but I am concerned about the pain he is experiencing. Recommended MRI lumbar spine.


Samuel Davis, MD

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HOOVER, RICKY DOB: 09/06/1968



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PATIENT NAME: Hoover, Ricky
DOB: 05/06/1968
MRN: 08-1816384
PHONE: 803-394-3047
PHYSICIAN: Samuel M Davis, MD
EXAM DATE: 06/22/2022

EXAM: MR-Lumbar Spine without contrast

REASON FOR EXAM: M54.16 - Radiculopathy, lumbar region / M54.50 - Low back pain, unspecified

ADDITIONAL HISTORY:

COMPARISON:

TECHNIQUE: Multiplanar, multisequence imaging of the lumbar spine without contrast.

No renal obstruction or aortic caliber abnormality as sources for back pain. Cord terminates normally without contour deforming lesion.

No vertebral body compression or pathologic edema. L2 vertebral body hemangioma.

18 mm T2 hypointense lesion extends exophytically from the superior right kidney. The inferior right kidney has a more typical T2 fluid signal cyst.

L1/L2: Unremarkable

L2/L3: Disc height loss. Shallow midline through far left lateral protrusion effacement of the left ventral corner of the thecal sac and mild left foraminal stenosis.

L3/L4: Desiccated disc. Slight retrolisthesis. Concentric spondylotic bulge. Mild facet overgrowth. Disc abuts the left L4 nerve in the left lateral recess. Without definitive deflection. Mild foraminal stenoses on the side.

L4/L5: Midline annular fissure and shallow protrusion. Facet arthrosis. Mild trefoil central stenosis. Mild biforaminal stenoses.

L5/S1: Desiccated disc. Diffuse annular bulge. More pronounced or asymmetric from midline through far right lateral disc. With notable abutment and posterior deflection of the right S1 nerve from the right

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PATIENT NAME: Hoover, Ricky
DOB: 05/06/1968
EXAM: MR-Lumbar Spine without contrast
EXAM DATE: 06/22/2022

lateral recess. Right laminotomy. Bilateral facet overgrowth.

IMPRESSION: Asymmetric right of midline bulge lumbar sacral junction with deflection of the enlarged S1 root. Prior right laminotomy decompresses the central canal otherwise.

Additional degenerative disc and facet issues as specified above.

Right renal lesions needing additional characterization. Recommend CT urogram.

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Date of Exam 7/1/2022
Patient Name RICKY HOOVER
DOB 09/06/1968
Provider Samuel Davis, MD

History

Chief Complaint low back and radiating right leg pain

History of Present Illness (Lumbar)

Patient comes in for evaluation of pain radiating from the lower back and down the right lower extremity. This has been present for about 2 weeks. Patient states that this was caused by doing heavy items at work. The patient has not had physical therapy/ Chiropractic care. The patient continues to perform HEP. The patient has been taking NSAIDs. These offer little help. The pain is worse with walking. The patient is having difficulty walking. Patient has difficulty performing activities of daily living. Quality of life is progressively declining.

The patient rates the pain as 7 out of 10.

The patient has not had previous lumbar surgery.

The patient has not had epidural injections.

7/1/2022: Patient returns for reevaluation and to discuss results of MRI lumbar spine. He informs me that he has been fired from his job.

Allergies

No known drug allergies

Medications

No Current Meds*

Past History

Medical History No Medical History Reported.

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Social History Patient is right handed. Patient does not use alcohol, caffeine, illicit drugs or tobacco.

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Hematolymphatic

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Immunological

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Vital Signs

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Weight (lbs)

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BMI

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Exam

Lumbar

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No wounds or lesions of the skin

Pedal pulses are present and normal

Tenderness to palpation over L5

Positive right straight leg raise

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STRENGTH

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Left quad 5, tibialis anterior 5 (out of 5)

SENSORY

Sensation right L4 nl, L5 nl, S1 nl

Sensation left L4 nl, L5 nl, S1 nl

Lumbar ROM limited due to pain

Gait is antalgic

Imaging

Lumbar MRI LUMBAR SPINE W/O CONTRAST

MRI lumbar spine reviewed showing stenosis L4-5

Diagnosis

M54.16

Radiculopathy, lumbar region

M48.061

Spinal stenosis, lumbar region without neurogenic claudication

Plan

Lumbar

patient has been having low back and radiating right leg pain for about 2 weeks after having an incident at work. X-rays show no acute osseous abnormalities but I am concerned about the pain he is experiencing. Recommended MRI lumbar spine.

MRI lumbar spine was reviewed and shows spinal stenosis L4-5. This could account for the pain he is experiencing in his back and his legs. I do not think that he requires surgery at this point. Recommended proceeding with an epidural injection at L4-5. Follow-up with me 2 weeks after the shot.



Samuel Davis, MD

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Date Of Exam 7/12/2022
Patient Name RICKY HOOVER
Address 6194 DOGWALLA RD WHITMIRE, SC 291789157
Date of Birth 09/06/1968
Patient Age 53

Post Operative
Diagnosis M54.5 Low back pain
Post Operative
Diagnosis M54.16Radiculopathy, lumbar region
Post Operative
Diagnosis M54.31Sciatica, right side

Statement of Procedure

Procedure Performed: Lumbar transforaminal epidural steroid injection at L5-S1, right.

Indications: The patient presents with low back pain secondary to the listed diagnoses.

Surgeon: Giridhar Gundu, M.D., Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation

Preoperative/Postoperative Diagnosis: Lumbosacral radiculopathy.

Procedure Summary: This procedure was performed at Palmetto Bone & Joint. History and physical was reviewed and updated. Informed consent was obtained. Risks of procedures were explained to the patient and the patient voiced understanding. Consent was signed by the patient. Please view copy in the patient's medical record. Prior to the procedure, a time-out was performed as follows: Prior to the procedure, the procedure team members verbally confirmed correct patient identity (2 identifiers), correct operation/procedure to be performed, correct operation/procedure site/side, correct consent form, correct position, correct imaging labeled and displayed, and allergies confirmed.

The patient was then brought to the operating room and placed in a prone position. ChlorPrep was used to clean the lumbosacral area. C-arm fluoroscopy was brought in to identify the L5 transverse process on the right side; S1 foramen on the right side using AP and oblique fluoroscopic viewing. Lidocaine 1% plain, approximately 2 cc at each site, was used to anesthetize the skin and underlying subcutaneous tissue. A 22-gauge 5-inch spinal needle was advanced to the 6 o'clock position below the pedicle of L5 and the foramen of S1. The needle was then walked off and placed into the dorsal rostral aspect of the foramen. Negative aspiration was carried out. One cc of contrast was instilled at each level, showing excellent nerve root sheath and epidural spread. The patient received a total of 4 cc of 0.25% bupivacaine mixed with 80 mg of methylprednisolone injected with 2 cc at each level. The patient tolerated the procedure well with no complication. The patient was sent home in stable condition with a driver.



Giridhar Gundu, MD

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Date of Exam 8/2/2022
Provider Giridhar Gundu
Provider NPI 1437380805
Patient Name RICKY HOOVER
DOB 09/06/1968

History

Chief Complaint

Low back pain, right lower extremity pain

History of Present Illness

Patient returns following a recent lumbar transforaminal epidural steroid injection. Patient mentions that he has had about 60% improvement in his numbness in the right lower extremity. However, he did not see any change in his low back pain. He continues to have difficulty performing his regular activities of daily living. Patient also asked that following the injection he has had a headache lasting for 1 week with associated swelling, redness around his face. Denies of any other complaints.

Allergies

No known drug
allergies

Diagnosis

M54.5 Low back pain
M54.16 Radiculopathy, lumbar region

Plan

Lumbar

1. Considering patient had minimal relief of symptomatology following the recent interventions, also had a reaction following it as well, a repeat procedure was not performed today.
2. Patient to follow up with Dr. Sam Davis for further evaluation and management. Patient understands that in agreement.

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Date of Birth 09/06/1968
Provider Name Samuel Davis, MD

History

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The patient has not had previous lumbar surgery.

The patient has not had epidural injections.

7/1/2022: Patient returns for reevaluation and to discuss results of MRI lumbar spine. He informs me that he has been fired from his job.

8/5/2022, patient returns after having had the injection. He notes some improvement in the numbness in the foot still does have pain in the right lower back.

Exam

Lumbar

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No wounds or lesions of the skin

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Diagnosis

M54.5

Low back pain

Plan

Lumbar

patient has been having low back and radiating right leg pain for about 2 weeks after having an incident at work. X-rays show no acute osseous abnormalities but I am concerned about the pain he is experiencing. Recommended MRI lumbar spine.

MRI lumbar spine was reviewed and shows spinal stenosis L4-5. This could account for the pain he is experiencing in his back and his legs. I do not think that he requires surgery at this point.

Recommended proceeding with an epidural injection at L4-5.

He notes improvement in the numbness in his right foot still does have pain in the right lower back. I explained that surgery is not likely to remove that pain in the right lower back. Recommended a trial of dry needling. I will have him follow up with me in 4 weeks.


Samuel Davis, MD

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Date of Exam 9/9/2022
Patient Name RICKY HOOVER
DOB 09/08/1968
Provider Samuel Davis, MD

History

Chief Complaint low back and radiating right leg pain

History of Present Illness (Lumbar)

Patient comes in for evaluation of pain radiating from the lower back and down the right lower extremity. This has been present for about 2 weeks. Patient states that this was caused by doing heavy items at work. The patient has not had physical therapy/ Chiropractic care. The patient continues to perform HEP. The patient has been taking NSAIDs. These offer little help. The pain is worse with walking. The patient is having difficulty walking. Patient has difficulty performing activities of daily living. Quality of life is progressively declining.

The patient rates the pain as 7 out of 10.

The patient has not had previous lumbar surgery.

The patient has not had epidural injections.

7/1/2022: Patient returns for reevaluation and to discuss results of MRI lumbar spine. He informs me that he has been fired from his job.

8/5/2022, patient returns after having had the injection. He notes some improvement in the numbness in the foot still does have pain in the right lower back.

9/9/2022: Patient returns after having dry needling. He states that this offered no significant improvement.

Allergies

No known drug allergies

Medications

No Current Meds

Past History

Medical History No Medical History Reported.

Surgical History No Surgical History Reported and CHANNEL GROOVED IN SPINAL CORD FOR SCIATIC NERVE TO REST.

Social History Patient is right handed. Patient does not use alcohol, caffeine, illicit drugs or tobacco.

Review of Systems

Constitutional No fever, fatigue, weakness or sudden weight change

Eyes Normal visual acuity, no blurred vision or excessive tearing

HEENT Normal auditory acuity, no nasal discharge or difficulty swallowing

Cardiovascular No chest pains or palpitations or high blood pressure

Respiratory No shortness of breath or cough

Gastrointestinal Patient has history of abdominal pain and rectal bleeding.

Genitourinary No dysuria or hematuria

Musculoskeletal No generalized joint pain, stiffness, weakness or muscle pain

Skin No rashes or jaundice

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Neurological No headache, dizziness or memory loss
Psychiatric No mood change, depression or nervousness
Endocrine No thyroid enlargement, sweating or excessive thirst
Hematolymphatic No bruising, swollen glands or anemia
Immunological Patient has history of reactions to drugs.

Vital Signs

Height (in) 72.0
Weight (lbs) 230.0
BMI 31.190200817284

Exam

Lumbar Alert and oriented x 3
No wounds or lesions of the skin
Pedal pulses are present and normal
Tenderness to palpation over L5
Positive right straight leg raise

ROS

Ten systems were reviewed and are negative except per the HPI

STRENGTH

Right Quad 5, tibialis anterior 5 (out of 5)
Left quad 5, tibialis anterior 5 (out of 5)

SENSORY

Sensation right L4 nl, L5 nl, S1 nl
Sensation left L4 nl, L5 nl, S1 nl

Lumbar ROM limited due to pain
Gait is antalgic

Diagnosis

M54.5 Low back pain
M54.16 Radiculopathy, lumbar region

Plan

Lumbar patient has been having low back and radiating right leg pain for about 2 weeks after having an incident at work. X-rays show no acute osseous abnormalities but I am concerned about the pain he is experiencing. Recommended MRI lumbar spine.
MRI lumbar spine was reviewed and shows spinal stenosis L4-5. This could account for the pain he is experiencing in his back and his legs. I do not think that he requires surgery at this point. Recommended proceeding with an epidural injection at L4-5.
He notes improvement in the numbness in his right foot still does have pain in the right lower back. I explained that surgery is not likely to remove that pain in the right lower back. Recommended a trial of dry needling.
Pain management in his pain is offered no significant improvement in his pain. I do think he may benefit from a second opinion by a neurosurgeon. I have sent him a prescription for gabapentin. Follow-up 6 weeks or sooner.

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Date of Exam 1/3/2023
Patient Name RICKY HOOVER
Date of Birth 09/06/1968
Provider Name Samuel Davis, MD

History

Chief Complaint low back and radiating right leg pain

History of Present Illness (Lumbar)

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9/9/2022: Patient returns after having dry needling. He states that this offered no significant improvement.

1/3/2023: Patient returns with worsening radiating right leg pain. He inquires about getting something to help with the pain.

Exam
Lumbar

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Pedal pulses are present and normal
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Diagnosis
M54.5
M54.16

Low back pain
Radiculopathy, lumbar region

Plan
Lumbar

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Physician Return to Work Form

Date of Exam 1/3/2023
Provider Samuel Davis
Patient Name RICKY HOOVER

Patient may return to work 1/3/23 no restrictions.

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Initial Evaluation

Date of Visit: 08-29-22
Patient Name: Hoover, Walter
Patient #: 2253999
Date of Birth: 09-06-1968
Age: 53

Therapist: Kiersten Armstrong PT
Referring MD: Samuel Davis MD
Time In:
Time Out:
Certification Period: 08-29-22 / 09-04-22

Total Time based minutes: Total Treatment time: 40

Date of Onset: 05-25-22

Diagnosis:

M54.50 Low back pain, unspecified

SUBJECTIVE:

Walter Hoover is a 53 year old male who presents to therapy today for evaluation of Physical Therapy. The patient was referred by Samuel Davis, MD. Injured Worker reports an injury to supervisor while working at tractor supply moving dog pens.

Medical treatment to this point includes medication, epidurals

Presenting Problems:

PAIN TYPE: 10/10 with radicular pain down the R LE
PAIN FREQUENCY: constant
LOCATION OF PAIN: Low back pain (R side) and R LE
AGGRAVATING FACTORS: all movement
EASING FACTORS: none

Functional Status	Prior	Current
Work activities	No limitations	Unable to perform

Contraindications:

1. None

OBJECTIVE:

Observations:

If applicable, Grip Strength for Consistency of Effort Testing will be added at therapist's discretion under the Hand Exam.

Summary of Functional Tolerances

Employer: Tractor Supply

Patient: Walter Hoover, DOB: 09-06-1968

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Job Title: Team Lead
 Current Job Status: Off Work
 Supervisor: Steven Norton
 Job Demands Information provided by: Patient
 Work Day: Shift Length 8 Hours
 Length of Time at Job: Years: 0 Months: 8
 Last Date Worked: 06-06-22 OCCASIONAL=1-33%, FREQUENT=34-66%, CONSTANT=67-100% (The tasks tested are estimates of work capacity)

Active Work Tasks	Initial	Last	Current	Job Demand/LTG	Comments
	08-29-22		08-29-22		
Sitting	Seldom				at lunch
Standing	Constant				
Walking	Constant				
Work from Ladder	Frequent				
Climb Ladder	Constant				
Climb Stairs	Never				
Twisting	Constant				
Bending/Stooping	Constant				
Squatting	Constant				
Kneeling	Constant				
Crawling	Occasional				
Work Postures					
Reaching	Constant				
Reach above shoulder	Constant				
Keyboard	Occasional				
Grasp	Constant				
Fine Manipulation	Frequent				
Material Handling Tasks					
Lifting Floor to Waist (lbs)	50				

	Additional Work Related Goals	Goal Status	Time Frame
X	Client will demonstrate safe biomechanics of lifting techniques on a constant basis		6 Weeks

Patient: Walter Hoover, DOB: 09-06-1968

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ACTIVITY LOG:

Service Based	Comment	Status	Time	Done Today
Dry Needling (3 or more muscles)	see comment	Active	5	Yes
E-Stim (unattended)	c DN	Active	10	Yes
PT Evaluation Low Complexity	Eval	Active	25	Yes

Activity Comments:

Pt signed consent for DN, DN performed with 30 x 60 mm needles inserted to L4-L5, 30 x 100 mm needles inserted into the R glute med. All needles were left in situ and connected to e stim x 10 minutes.

ASSESSMENT:

DIAGNOSIS: (Match Primary Physician Diagnosis) Lumbar radiculopathy (RLE)

MUSCULOSKELETAL LIMITATIONS: Limited AROM of the lumbar spine with (+) n/t in the R LE.

WORK RELATED LIMITATIONS: Pt unable to work at this time, was also terminated.

CURRENT PHYSICAL DEMAND LEVEL: (Unable to Determine, Sedentary, Light, Medium, Heavy, Very Heavy) IF working Heavy

GOAL PHYSICAL DEMAND LEVEL: (Unable to Determine, Sedentary, Light, Medium, Heavy, Very Heavy) Very Heavy

CO-MORBIDITIES, POSSIBLE BARRIERS TO PROGRESS, AND/OR INCONSISTENCIES: At this time this pain is chronic, pt with allergic reaction to medication and epidurals. Pt has had no other treatment at this time to control the pain.

Skilled intervention is required for this Injured Worker to address their work related functional limitations.

The patient's rehab potential is good.

Goals	Short-Long	Time Frame	Result	Comment
Percent of Goals Met	Long Term	One Visit	Initial	0%

Assessment of Complexity:

Medical and Therapy History: 1-2 personal factors and/or comorbidities that impact the plan of care.

Patient Examination: Examination of body systems was completed using standardized tests and measures addressing 1-2 elements from any of the following: body structures and functions, activity limitations, and/or participation restrictions.

Clinical Presentation: With stable and/or uncomplicated characteristics.

Clinical Decision Making: Low complexity using standardized patient assessment instrument and/or measurable assessment of functional outcome.

Based on the documented information above, the patient complexity is determined to be low.

PLAN:

The patient's treatment will include PT Eval Moderate Complexity, Dry Needling 3 or more muscles, E-Stim Unattended, PT Eval Moderate Complexity, Unlisted Modality and PT Eval Low Complexity.

As the client progresses, we will be comparing their functional abilities to their required physical demand level (PDL). If there are significant functional deficits that persist, only then will we assess appropriateness for work conditioning.

Patient: Walter Hoover, DOB: 04-06-1968

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We will develop a home exercise program. The patient will be seen 1 time per week for 1 week, for a total of 1 visit. Patient/caregiver of patient has consented to treatment and understands the diagnosis, prognosis and treatment goals associated with this plan of care.

Thank you for your referral. We will keep you updated on this patient's progress.

Best regards,

Kiersten Armstrong PT DPT

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Patient: Walter Hoover, DOB: 09-06-1968

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HOOVER, RICKY DOB: 09/06/1968



Plan of Care

Date of Visit: 08-29-22
Patient Name: Hoover, Walter
Patient #: 2253999
Date of Birth: 09-06-1968
Age: 53

Therapist: Kiersten Armstrong, PT
Referring MD: Samuel Davis, MD
Certification Period: 08-29-22 - 09-04-22
Case: PT001

Date of Onset: 05-25-22

Diagnosis:
M54.50 Low back pain, unspecified

Completed 1 of 2 scheduled visits

ASSESSMENT:

DIAGNOSIS: (Match Primary Physician Diagnosis) Lumbar radiculopathy (RLE)
MUSCULOSKELETAL LIMITATIONS: Limited AROM of the lumbar spine with (+) n/t in the R LE.
WORK RELATED LIMITATIONS: Pt unable to work at this time, was also terminated.
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Skilled intervention is required for this Injured Worker to address their work related functional limitations.

PLAN/RECOMMENDATIONS:

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OBJECTIVE:

Observations:

If applicable, Grip Strength for Consistency of Effort Testing will be added at therapist's discretion under the Hand Exam.

Summary of Functional Tolerances

Patient: Walter Hoover DOB: 09-06-1968

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PHYSICAL THERAPY PLAN OF CARE CONTINUED

Date of Visit: 08-29-22
Patient Name: Hoover, Walter
Patient Number: 2253999
Date of Birth: 09-06-1968

Referral Source: Samuel Davis, MD
Date of Onset: 05-25-22
Certification Period: 08-29-22 - 09-04-22
Case: PT001

Employer: Tractor Supply
Job Title: Team Lead
Current Job Status: Off Work
Supervisor: Steven Norton
Job Demands Information provided by: Patient
Work Day: Shift Length 8 Hours
Length of Time at Job: Years: 0 Months: 8
Last Date Worked: 06-06-22 OCCASIONAL=1-33%, FREQUENT=34-66%, CONSTANT=67-100% (The tasks tested are estimates of work capacity)

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Squatting	Constant				
Kneeling	Constant				
Crawling	Occasional				
Work Postures					
Reaching	Constant				
Reach above shoulder	Constant				
Keyboard	Occasional				
Grasp	Constant				
Fine Manipulation	Frequent				
Material Handling Tasks					
Lifting Floor to Waist (lbs)	50				

Additional Work Related Goals	Goal Status	Time Frame
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Patient: Walter Hoover DOB: 09-06-1968

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PHYSICAL THERAPY PLAN OF CARE CONTINUED

Date of Visit: 08-29-22
Patient Name: Hoover, Walter
Patient Number: 2253999
Date of Birth: 09-06-1968

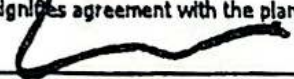
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Case: PT001

☒ Client will demonstrate safe biomechanics of lifting techniques on a constant basis	6 Weeks
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Thank you for your referral. We will keep you updated on this patient's progress.

TO BE COMPLETED BY PHYSICIAN:

I hereby certify that rehabilitation services are medically necessary for the above mentioned. I also understand that my signature signifies agreement with the plan.


Samuel Davis, MD Signature

9/07/2022
Date

Please sign the above Progress Note and return to:
Drayer PT - Chapin, SC
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Best regards,

Kiersten Armstrong PT DPT

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End of Care

Last Visit: 08-29-22
Patient Name: Hoover, Walter
Patient #: 2253999
Date of Birth: 09-06-1968
Age: 54

Therapist: Kiersten Armstrong PT
Referring MD: Samuel Davis MD
Time In:
Time Out:

Total Time based minutes: Total Treatment time: 0

Date of Onset: 05-25-22

Diagnosis:

M54.50 Low back pain, unspecified

SUBJECTIVE:

Walter Hoover has attended a total of 1 treatment sessions following evaluation of Physical Therapy.

Presenting Problems:

PAIN TYPE: 10/10 with radicular pain down the R LE

PAIN FREQUENCY: constant

LOCATION OF PAIN: Low back pain (R side) and R LE

AGGRAVATING FACTORS: all movement

EASING FACTORS: none

Functional Status	Prior	Current
Work activities	No limitations	Unable to perform

Contraindications:

1. None

OBJECTIVE:

Observations:

If applicable, Grip Strength for Consistency of Effort Testing will be added at therapist's discretion under the Hand Exam.

ASSESSMENT:

The patient's discharge prognosis is poor. Pt was only authorized one visit, DC at this time.

DIAGNOSIS: (Match Primary Physician Diagnosis) Lumbar radiculopathy (RLE)

MUSCULOSKELETAL LIMITATIONS: Limited AROM of the lumbar spine with (+) n/t in the R LE.

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CO-MORBIDITIES, POSSIBLE BARRIERS TO PROGRESS, AND/OR INCONSISTENCIES: At this time this pain is

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chronic, pt with allergic reaction to medication and epidurals. Pt has had no other treatment at this time to control the pain.

Skilled intervention is required for this Injured Worker to address their work related functional limitations.

Goals	Short-Long	Time	Result	Comment	Last
		Frame			Assessed
Percent of Goals Met	Long Term	One Visit	Discontinue	0%	
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PLAN:

Reason for concluding the current episode of care:

1. Insurance authorization issues

Thank you for your referral.

Best regards,

Kiersten Armstrong PT DPT

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Hoover, Walter Rick Jr. (MRN: 975788493) DOB: 9/6/1968

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Hoover, Walter Rick Jr.
MRN: 975788493, DOB:
9/6/1968, Sex: M
Visit date: 9/1/2022**Hoover, Walter Rick Jr.**

MRN: 975788493

Dudley, Amanda C, NP
Nurse Practitioner
Specialty: Nurse PractitionerProgress Notes
Signed

Encounter Date: 9/1/2022

Patient and his spouse state he was seen by ortho referred to Drayer PT for dry needling. States a cortisone injection was not successful and they were advised to see a neurosurgeon as he has previously has spinal surgery. Will refer to lexington brain and spine.

Patient requires a printed order for this referral for his lawyer. Order placed in designated area for pickup.

Mr. Hoover is agreeable to this at this time.

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Orders Placed

Ambulatory Referral to Neurosurgery -Columbia/Sumter Closed

Medication Changes

As of 9/1/2022 9:47 AM

None

Visit Diagnoses

Primary: Acute bilateral low back pain with right-sided sciatica M54.41

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ImageCare Associates, LLC 730 Rabon Road, Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29209	Soft Tissue Study Report	WALTER HOOVER June 27, 2022
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MRN: 5421HOOV	Study Time: 12:44 PM
DOB: 1968-09-08	Reading Group: ImageCare Associates LLO
Gender: M	Referring Group: Amanda Dudley, NP
Age: 53	Sonographer: Carlisa Muenzer
	Location: South Carolina Internal Medicine
	Equipment: Z8

Study Quality: Good
Diagnosis Code: Groin pain

Indications: Right groin pain x one month

Findings:

Real time ultrasound transverse and longitudinal images of the soft tissue were performed. In patient's area of concern in the right inguinal region, there is a hypoechoic area with hyperechoic center seen, measuring 2.1 x .4 x 1.7 cm. Possible lymph node.
There is a second hypoechoic area seen, measuring 1.2 x .6 x 1.4 cm. Possible lymph node.
There is a third hypoechoic area seen, measuring .5 x .4 x .5 cm.
A fourth hypoechoic area is seen, measuring 1.5 x .4 x .8 cm.

Conclusions:

Multiple benign appearing lymph nodes are present in the right inguinal region with no other sonographic abnormality.

June 28, 2022 09:12 AM EDT
Laura G Ulrich, MD
Electronically Signed on Studycast

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Hoover, Walter R (MRN 008810055) DOB: 09/06/1968

Encounter Date: 01/06/2023

Hoover, Walter R

MRN: 008810055

Office Visit 1/6/2023
MUSC Health Columbia
Northeast Neurosurgery

Provider: Brett Christopher Gunter, MD (Neurosurgery)
Primary diagnosis: Sacroiliac joint dysfunction of right side
Reason for Visit: Back Pain

Progress Notes

Brett Christopher Gunter, MD (Physician) • Neurosurgery

MUSC HEALTH NEUROSURGERY COLUMBIA NE
INDEPENDENT MEDICAL EVALUATION

DOB : 9/6/1968

01/06/23

EMPLOYER: Tractor Supply Company

DATE OF INJURY: 05/25/2022

PREVIOUS SURGERY: No

Chief Complaint

Patient presents with:

- Back Pain

IME- Discuss mri and xrays lumbar

Review of patient's allergies indicates:

Allergen

- Acetaminophen

Whelps/hives

Reactions

Hives and Swelling

HISTORY OF PRESENT ILLNESS:

54-year-old right-handed male was working for tractor supply in Newberry South Carolina. He was on the job and was task with moving some dog kennel's which each bundle weighed about 184 pounds they are about 6 feet wide and about 10 feet long. Kennels themselves were awkward and heavy. He and a coworker were moving some kennels as the coworker was pushing the kennel over so that it would fall to the floor and he would catch the kennel and lift the kennel. He immediately had the onset of severe back pain.

So far in his treatment he has had 2 lumbar epidural steroid injections and dry needling but without formal physical therapy. The epidurals did seem to improve the numbness on the lateral aspect of his right foot but beyond that he has received no improvement. He has had no formal physical therapy. He has not returned to work and is apparently terminated from that job.

He has a significant past history of back surgery. He said it was done at Southeastern spine Institute around 2019. After surgery he resumed his normal daily activities which include

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hiking and playing softball. He had some mild intermittent back soreness that would come and go with increased activities but beyond that he did not have any back pain or leg pain.

CURRENT SYNDROME:

He has pain in his right lower back it radiates around his right hip and seems to skip a portion of his thigh and go below his knee and in fact involve the area of his lower leg on the lateral aspect below the knee and also down to the ankle on that side. The pain is only on the right-hand side. He points to an area that is significantly on the right SI joint.

Past medical, social history, family history, review of systems. Pertinent findings are otherwise per history of present illness.

Review of Systems

Musculoskeletal: Positive for back pain.

NEUROLOGICAL EXAM:

Vitals:

01/06/23 1139
Weight: (I) 109.3 kg (241 lb)
Height: 182.9 cm (6')

GENERAL: appropriate for age

HEAD: normocephalic

EYES: pupils equal and reactive, extraocular movements intact

EARS: external anatomy unremarkable

THROAT: oropharynx clear to visual inspection

NECK: free of masses or lesions. No palpable step offs. No tenderness to palpation. mildly restricted range of motion.

LUNGS: clear to auscultation bilaterally

HEART: regular rate and rhythm

ABDOMEN: soft non-distended, nontender

EXTREMITIES: warm, moist, pulse present

BACK: mildly restricted range of motion, he has significant tenderness over the right SI joint on examination and significantly less tenderness over the left SI joint.

NEUROLOGICAL EXAM:

Mental status: awake alert and oriented to person, place, and time

Speech: fluent and conversant

POWER EXAM:

UPPER EXTREMITIES:

SHOULDER ABDUCTION: LEFT 5/5 RIGHT 5/5

ELBOW FLEXOR: LEFT 5/5 RIGHT 5/5

ELBOW EXTENSOR: LEFT 5/5 RIGHT 5/5

HAND GRIP: LEFT 5/5 RIGHT 5/5

LOWER EXTREMITIES:

HIP FLEXORS: LEFT 5/5 RIGHT 5/5

QUADRICEPS: LEFT 5/5 RIGHT 5/5

HAMSTRINGS: LEFT 5/5 RIGHT 5/5

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ANTERIOR TIBIALIS: LEFT 5/5 RIGHT 5/5
EXTENSOR HALLUCIS LONGUS: LEFT 5/5 RIGHT 5/5
GASTROSOLEUS: LEFT 5/5 RIGHT 5/5

SENSORY:

UPPER EXTREMITIES: sensation intact to light touch
LOWER EXTREMITIES: sensation intact to light touch
CEREBELLAR: gait and finger to nose testing intact
REFLEXES: upper and lower extremity reflexes symmetric and intact
ADDITIONAL EXAM:
Negative clonus, negative Hoffman's

RADIOGRAPHIC STUDIES:

MRI of his lumbar spine is not available. There is an MRI of a patient with his name but has the wrong date of birth and at this time were not able to use that study.

ADDITIONAL STUDIES:

ASSESSMENT:

To a reasonable degree of medical certainty the following is true:

He does not have an injury to his lumbosacral spine, but he does need to provide me with an MRI of the lumbar spine with and without contrast that has his name and date of birth properly displayed on the image study. After review of this study it may by necessity require a change in this statement.

He has right sacroiliac joint dysfunction which is causally related to the injury he suffered on the job.

PLAN:

1. MRI of the lumbar spine with and without contrast "evaluate for right-sided nerve root entrapment"
2. Consult pain management for SI joint injection. Up to 3 injections may be required for improvement in this clinical syndrome. I would recommend at least 1 injection every 2-3 weeks. The patient should maintain a diary after each injection to record which joint was injected and what if any relief was obtained. I recommend injection in both joints.
3. Physical therapy with an emphasis on maneuvers to reduce pain caused by disorders of the sacroiliac joint including local measures like heat, ice, ultrasound, massage, TENS unit, and dry needling. Evaluation and recommendation by the physical therapist. Exercises to improve range of motion and truncal stability with the development of a home exercise program. Instruction in proper will back behaviors to reduce the risk of additional injury.
4. Follow-up with me after the above test. Please make sure that at the next visit the patient has a written report from the test this been ordered and also brings all CDs of previous radiographic studies.
5. Sedentary Work: Lifting or exerting up to 10 pounds of force up to 3 hours to lift, pull, carry, push, or otherwise move or if work involves sitting most of the time, but may involve standing

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or walking for a brief period. According to the U.S. Department of Labor Guidelines.
Temporary restriction

6. Percocet 5/325 1-2 by mouth every 4 hours as needed Disp [40] forty No refills prn

Brett C. Gunter, MD FACS
MUSC Columbia Northeast Neurological Surgery

Instructions

MUSC AMBULATORY AVS (Automatic SnapShot taken 1/6/2023)

Additional Documentation

Vitals: Ht 182.9 cm (6') Wt 109.3 kg (241 lb) ! (Abnormal) BMI 32.69 kg/m² BSA 2.36 m²

Flowsheets: Anthropometrics

Communications

Media

From this encounter

Scan on 1/9/2023 10:44 AM: 010923 NE 114 Neur

Orders Placed

MRI Lumbar Spine W Wo Contrast

Amb referral to Pain Clinic Closed

Amb referral to Physical Therapy Closed

Medication Changes

As of 1/6/2023 12:46 PM

	Refills	Start Date	End Date
Added: oxyCODONE-acetaminophen (Percocet) 5-325 mg per tablet	0	1/6/2023	2/5/2023
Take 1 tablet by mouth every 4 hours as needed. - Oral			

Medication List at End of Visit

As of 1/6/2023 12:46 PM

Refills	Start Date	End Date
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	Refills	Start Date	End Date
cyclobenzaprine (Flexeril) 10 mg tablet Take 1 tablet by mouth. - Oral Patient-reported medication		7/20/2022	
gabapentin (Neurontin) 300 mg capsule TAKE ONE CAPSULE BY MOUTH EVERY 12 HOURS Patient-reported medication		9/9/2022	
meloxicam (Mobic) 7.5 mg tablet Take one to two tablets by mouth daily. Patient-reported medication		11/9/2022	
oxyCODONE-acetaminophen (Percocet) 5-325 mg per tablet	0	1/6/2023	2/5/2023
Take 1 tablet by mouth every 4 hours as needed. - Oral			
predniSONE (Deltasone) 10 mg tablet dose pack Day 1: 60 mg (6 tab); Day 2: 50 mg (5 tab); Day 3: 40 mg (4 tab); Day 4: 30 mg (3 tab); Day 5: 20 mg (2 tab); Day 6: 10 mg (1 tab); Patient-reported medication		6/1/2022	

Visit Diagnoses

Primary: Sacroiliac joint dysfunction of right side M53.3

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Brooke Hawkins

Telephone Encounter
Signed

Encounter Date: 2/28/2023

Patient called office yelling, being rude and calling staff out of their name. Referred to staff as a the b word and a hag because he wanted pain medication.

Patient threatened to come in office and "let us have it".

Electronically signed by Brooke Hawkins at 2/28/2023 9:59 AM

Telephone on 2/28/2023

Orders Placed

None

Medication Renewals and Changes

As of 2/28/2023 9:59 AM

None

Visit Diagnoses

None

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Encounter Date: 03/06/2023

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MRN: 008810055

Office Visit 3/6/2023
MUSC Health Columbia
Northeast Neurosurgery

Provider: Brett Christopher Gunter, MD (Neurosurgery)
Primary diagnosis: Sacroiliac joint dysfunction of right side
Reason for Visit: Back Pain • Leg Pain

Progress Notes

Brett Christopher Gunter, MD (Physician) • Neurosurgery

MUSC COLUMBIA NORTHEAST
NEUROSURGERY OFFICE VISIT

DOB : 9/6/1968

NEUROSURGERY FOLLOW-UP NOTE

03/06/23

DATE OF SURGERY:

Chief Complaint

Patient presents with
• Back Pain
• Leg Pain

INTERIM HISTORY:

This seems to be some disagreement between the patient and his family in my office regarding the interactions. Certainly, it does not appear possible that we are able to continue to take care of this patient as it just appears to be too much "discord" with regard to the relationship between the practice and the patient. The patient left abruptly after hearing this news and so I really did not get much opportunity to expand on that concept. I did discuss briefly with the young lady that was here with him today and they asked me if I would refer them to the Southeastern spine clinic.

Current Outpatient Medications:

- cyclobenzaprine (Flexeril) 10 mg tablet, Take 1 tablet by mouth., Disp: , Rfl:
- gabapentin (Neurontin) 300 mg capsule, TAKE ONE CAPSULE BY MOUTH EVERY 12 HOURS, Disp: , Rfl:
- HYDROcodone-acetaminophen (Lorcet) 5-325 mg tablet, Take 1 tablet by mouth every 6 hours as needed for severe pain., Disp: 30 tablet, Rfl: 0
- meloxicam (Mobic) 7.5 mg tablet, Take one to two tablets by mouth daily., Disp: , Rfl:
- prednisONE (Deltasone) 10 mg tablet dose pack, Day 1: 60 mg (6 tab); Day 2: 50 mg (5 tab); Day 3: 40 mg (4 tab); Day 4: 30 mg (3 tab); Day 5: 20 mg (2 tab); Day 6: 10 mg (1 tab);, Disp: , Rfl:

No past medical history on file.

Social History

HOOVER, WALTER DOB: 09/06/1968 (54 yo M) Acc No. 103009 DOS: 04/25/2023



Pain Specialists

Edward Tavel, MD • Matthew Donohue, MD

Neurology Specialists

David Stickler, MD • Patricia Myers, MD

Psychiatry Specialists

Erin Burkitt, PhD • Michael Sugarman, PhD ABPP

HOOVER, WALTER

54 Y old Male, DOB: 09/06/1968

Account Number: 103009

6194 DOGWALLA RD, WHITMIRE, SC-29178-9157

Home: 803-394-3047

Guarantor: HOOVER, WALTER

Insurance: GALLAGHER BASSETT

Referring: LISA WORKERS COMP

Appointment Facility: PAIN SPECIALISTS OF COLUMBIA

04/25/2023

PROGRESS NOTES: SYDNEY BURRELL, PA-C

Reason for Appointment

1. Low Back Pain

History of Present Illness

Worker's Comp:

DOI 5/25/2022. Work Status Employed. Body Parts Covered Low back. Claim Status Open. NCM Randi Walle (to attend).

Pain Management:

Patient is here today for the evaluation and treatment of low back pain. Patient complains of BILAT low back pain that is more severe on the RIGHT that radiates and is accompanied by numbness/tingling with shooting pain. Patient says the outer side of his right foot is numb. Pain is 10/10 on pain scale today.

Patient was at work at Tractor Supply CO and was moving some heavy dog beds and the way it was brought down and as it was falling he went to grab it and it hurt his back. Patient states that it has been almost a year and that medication helps but he wants to help fix this he doesn't want to mask the pain. He is interested in getting surgery. Patient states that he used to be on percocet and states that he would take one in the morning and one at night and found that it was very helpful.

The pain radiates down the back of the right leg. The severity of the pain is 10/10 average, 10/10 max. The pain began 5/25/22. The pain occurred after a work accident. The pain is described as sharp shooting pain with some numbness and tingling. The timing of the pain is continuous. The pain is associated with poor sleep, change in appetite, weight gain, balance issues. The pain is improved by TENS, medication. The pain is aggravated by bending, activity, movement. Imaging studies that have been performed include MRI with and without contrast. Non pharmacologic approaches that have been utilized include TENS, physical therapy, dry needling. Medications that have been utilized include narcotics, non-steroidal anti-inflammatories. Treatments have included epidural steroid injections(allergic), TENS unit, anti-inflammatory meds, physical therapy.

Current Medications

Taking

- oxyCODONE-Acetaminophen 5-325 MG Tablet TAKE ONE TABLET BY MOUTH EVERY 4 HOURS AS NEEDED Oral
- Meloxicam 7.5 MG Tablet TAKE ONE TO TWO TABLETS BY MOUTH ONE TIME DAILY Oral
- Gabapentin 300 MG Capsule TAKE ONE CAPSULE BY MOUTH EVERY 12 HOURS Oral

Medication List reviewed and reconciled with the patient

Past Medical History

Medical History Verified.

Surgical History

spine/back surgery 2019

Family History

Father: alive

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Mother: alive

Allergies

Prednisone
steroids

Hospitalization/Major Diagnostic Procedure

see above

Review of Systems

Cardiology:

Patient denies chest pain (angina), shortness of breath, dizziness, swelling in ankles, irregular heartbeats (palpitations).

Constitutional:

Patient denies fever, loss of appetite, weakness/fatigue, weight loss, , rash. Patient complaining of insomnia, weight gain.

Gastroenterology:

Patient denies nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, constipation, difficulty swallowing, heartburn.

Musculoskeletal:

Patient denies joint swelling, joint stiffness, leg cramps, muscle cramps, neck pain.

Neurology:

Patient denies dizziness, poor balance, blurred vision, arm weakness, leg weakness. Patient complaining of tingling, numbness.

Respiratory:

Patient denies wheezing, cough, use of inhalers, painful breathing.

Vital Signs

Pain Scale 10, Ht 5'10", Wt 200 lbs, BMI 28.69, BP 141/93 mm Hg, HR 74, RR 18.

Physical Examination

LAB-UDS:

LAB-UDS UDS w/ Adulterant BURRELL, SYDNEY K 4/30/2023 8:28:07 PM > .

Assessments

1. Sacroiliitis, not elsewhere classified - M46.1 (Primary)
2. Other long term (current) drug therapy - Z79.899

Mr. Hoover is a 54 year old male presenting for evaluation and management of low back pain secondary to acute work injury occurring 05/25/2022. Patient states that he was working for Tractor Supply Company and was moving dog kennels weighing >180 lbs. with a coworker. His injury occurred when a coworker was handing him a kennel but dropped it; when Mr. Hoover attempted to catch the kennel, he was knocked to the ground. He reports that he immediately felt low back pain with radiation into his right lower extremity.

He was initially evaluated by Dr. Samuel Davis of Palmetto Bone & Joint. He underwent TF LESI at L5-S1 with Dr. Giridhar Gundu; unfortunately patient reported adverse reaction to the steroid injection which included headache/head swelling and facial flushing.

He was then referred to Dr. Gunter for IME who opined that Mr. Hoover was suffering from right sacroiliac dysfunction and recommended SI joint injections. He recommended patient work at sedentary duty. Patient notes today that he has been dismissed as a patient from Dr. Gunter's office since the time of IME.

Note that patient does have history of back surgery in 2019 but reports that he had complete resolution of his back pain up until his accident.

Today he continues to endorse low back pain with radiation into the right lower extremity, stopping at the calf. He reports associated numbness on the bottom and outer portion of his right foot. He denies symptoms in his left leg. For this injury he has tried narcotics, gabapentin, muscle relaxers, and NSAIDs with minimal relief. He is currently enrolled in physical therapy from which he reports severe pain.

We discussed treatment plan as outlined in IME with Dr. Tavel completed Feb. 14, 2023. Patient indicates that he has had adverse reactions to steroid injections and does not want to proceed with any further steroid injections at this time.

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We discussed local anesthetic injection and he is not interested in this either. He states that he is only interested in moving forward with surgical intervention (SI fusion).

He can RTC PRN.

Patient seen today by Dr. Tavel and Sydney Burrell, PA-C.

Treatment

1. Sacroiliitis, not elsewhere classified

Notes: After talking with patient, patient will return in office on an as needed basis. Total time spent with patient in excess of 30 minutes with 50% of that time spent counseling patient regarding treatment options. Electronic records being sent to referring provider. As always, thank you for this kind referral and I look forward to working with you in the care of this patient.

2. Other long term (current) drug therapy

LAB: Urine Drug Screen

LAB: Full Panel

Notes: UDS performed in the office today and sent to in office lab. Screening performed for confirmation that no illicit drugs are present. Urine sample sent to in house lab for confirmation.

Procedure Codes

G0481 Definitive Drug Confirmation;8-14 drug classes

80307 DRUG TEST PRSMV CHEM ANALYZR

Follow Up

prn

Electronically signed by SYDNEY BURRELL, PA-C on 05/01/2023 at 01:45 PM EDT

Sign off status: Pending

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PROGRESS NOTES

Patient: HOOVER, WALTER
Account Number: 103009
DOB: 09/06/1968 Age: 54 Y Sex: Male
Phone: 803-394-3047
Address: 6194 DOGWALLARD, WHITMIRE, SC-29178-9157

Provider: Edward M Tavel, MD
Date: 05/02/2023

Subjective:

Chief Complaints:

1. Low Back Pain.

HPI:

Worker's Comp:

DOI 5/25/2022. Work Status Employed. Body Parts Covered Low back, Claim Status Open. NCM Randi Walle (to attend).

Pain Management:

Patient is here today for a #1 RIGHT SI joint injection. He states the pain radiates down into the RIGHT buttock and leg. He denies any numbness/tingling. He rates pain 10/10 today on a pain scale.

ROS:

Constitutional:

Patient denies fever, loss of appetite, insomnia.

Gastroenterology:

Patient denies nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, constipation.

Neurology:

Patient denies arm weakness. Patient complaining of tingling, numbness, poor balance, leg weakness.

Medical History: Medical History Verified.

Surgical History: spine/back surgery 2019.

Hospitalization/Major Diagnostic Procedure: see above.

Family History: Father: alive. Mother: alive.

Medications: Discontinued oxyCODONE-Acetaminophen 5-325 MG Tablet TAKE ONE TABLET BY MOUTH EVERY 4 HOURS AS NEEDED Oral , Discontinued Meloxicam 7.5 MG Tablet TAKE ONE TO TWO TABLETS BY MOUTH ONE TIME DAILY Oral , Discontinued Gabapentin 300 MG Capsule TAKE ONE CAPSULE BY MOUTH EVERY 12 HOURS Oral , Medication List reviewed and reconciled with the patient

Allergies: Prednisone, steroids.

Objective:

Vitals: Pain Scale 10, Ht 70 in, Wt 200 lbs, BM 28.69, BP 148/83 mm Hg, HR 57, RR 18.

Examination:

Pre-procedure Assessment:

NPO since last PM

Bloodthinners None.

IV size and location 24 gauge.

Consent signed by patient.

Driver Wfe.

Assessment:

Assessment:

1. Sacroiliitis, not elsewhere classified - M46.1 (Primary)

Plan:

1. Sacroiliitis, not elsewhere classified

Start CeleBREX Capsule, 200 MG, 1 capsule with food, Orally, Once a day, 30 day(s), 30 .

Notes: After today's injection, we will schedule a follow up appointment for the patient in 3 weeks to discuss results. Permanent images have been recorded. Patient instructed that sedation will remain in system for 24 hours and cause drowsiness, no driving or operating heavy machinery. Do not drink alcohol. Rest today and resume normal activity tomorrow, use ice for soreness. AN INDEPENDENT, TRAINED, OBSERVER IS PRESENT TO MONITOR THE PATIENT DURING THE MODERATE SEDATION.

Procedures:

*Sacroiliac Joint Injection:

Location RIGHT SI JOINT. Pre-procedure Diagnosis M46.1- Sacroiliitis, not elsewhere classified. Plan of Treatment Will do an SI Joint Injection today. Sedation Total of 2mg Versed admin IVP Landis, Andrea 5/2/2023 11:01:00 AM > . Procedure Detail Right SI Joint: The procedure and potential risks were explained to the patient and informed written consent was obtained. The patient was escorted to the procedure room and placed in the prone position. Pillows were utilized for proper positioning and comfort. The patient's lower back was prepped with iodine x3 and draped in a sterile fashion. Subcutaneous 1% lidocaine was instilled into the superficial soft tissue of the patient's lower back for local anesthesia. With fluoroscopic guidance, a 22 gauge, 3 1/2" spinal needle was advanced into the posteroinferior aspect of the right SI joint. After confirmation of the intra-articular position of the needle tip, 0.5% bupivacaine was instilled. The patient tolerated the

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the right SI joint. After confirmation of the intra-articular position of the needle tip, 2cc 0.25% bupivacaine was injected. The patient tolerated the procedure well, and was transported to the recovery area for observation and discharge instructions. Permanent images saved and recorded. Post-procedure Observation Transported to recovery area via wheelchair, IV removed-no redness or inflammation, Written discharge instructions reviewed with patient and driver, Patient at baseline mobility, no leg weakness/numbness, Vital signs stable BP:140/80 P: 76, Patient now rates pain on a 10/10 scale, Escorted to private vehicle without incident IV OUT Landis, Andrea 5/2/2023 11:15:35 AM>. Post-procedure Diagnosis Same as pre-procedure diagnosis. Intra-procedure Monitoring Patient easily arousable, oriented, able to follow commands and answer questions throughout entire procedure, Vital signs monitored constantly through procedure, and remained stable at all times. Notes Will see patient back in 2-3 weeks for follow up.

Procedure Codes: 27096 INJECT SACROILIAC JOINT, Modifiers: RT, 99152 MOD CS BY SAME PHYS, 5 YRS +, A4550 STERILE TRAY, J2250 MDZOLAM 1 MG (VERSED), Units: 2.00

Follow Up: 3 Weeks (Reason: F/U)

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Sign off status: Pending

Provider: Edward M. Tavel, MD

Date: 05/02/2023

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Encounter Date: 03/06/2023

Socioeconomic History

- Marital status: Single
- Spouse name: Not on file
- Number of children: Not on file
- Years of education: Not on file
- Highest education level: Not on file

Occupational History

- Not on file

Tobacco Use

- Smoking status: Former
- Types: Cigarettes
- Quit date: 2020
- Years since quitting: 3.1
- Smokeless tobacco: Never

Substance and Sexual Activity

- Alcohol use: Never
- Drug use: Never
- Sexual activity: Not on file

Other Topics

- Not on file

Social History Narrative

- Not on file

Social Determinants of Health

Financial Resource Strain: Not on file
Food Insecurity: Not on file
Transportation Needs: Not on file
Physical Activity: Not on file
Stress: Not on file
Social Connections: Not on file
Housing Stability: Not on file

No family history on file.

Review of Systems

Musculoskeletal: Positive for back pain.
Neurological: Positive for tingling.

PHYSICAL EXAMINATION:

241lb.

No examination was performed

DIAGNOSTIC STUDIES:

No information is diagnostic studies is available.

ASSESSMENT:

I believe the following to be true: The patient and I mutually agree that he should seek his care elsewhere. Do not believe we can effectively care for the patient through our practice since the relationship appears to be unsatisfactory for an efficient patient care.

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Encounter Date: 03/06/2023

PLAN:

1. The patient would prefer to be transferred or referred to the Southeastern spine Institute which seems like a reasonable plan from my perspective.
2. At this stage we would make no efforts to provide additional information regarding work status etc.

Brett C. Gunter, MD FACS
MUSC Columbia Northeast Neurological Surgery

Instructions

MUSC AMBULATORY AVS (Automatic SnapShot taken 3/6/2023)

Additional Documentation

Vitals: Ht 182.9 cm (6') Wt 109.3 kg (241 lb) ! (Abnormal) BMI 32.69 kg/m² BSA 2.36 m²

Flowsheets: Anthropometrics

Communications

Orders Placed

None

Medication Changes

As of 3/6/2023 11:25 AM

None

Medication List at End of Visit

As of 3/6/2023 11:25 AM

	Refills	Start Date	End Date
cyclobenzaprine (Flexeril) 10 mg tablet		7/20/2022	
Take 1 tablet by mouth. - Oral			
Patient-reported medication			
gabapentin (Neurontin) 300 mg capsule		9/9/2022	
TAKE ONE CAPSULE BY MOUTH EVERY 12 HOURS			
Patient-reported medication			

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Hoover, Walter R (MRN 008810055) DOB: 09/06/1968

Encounter Date: 03/06/2023

	Refills	Start Date	End Date
HYDROcodone-acetaminophen (Lorcet) 5-325 mg tablet	0	2/13/2023	3/15/2023
Take 1 tablet by mouth every 6 hours as needed for severe pain. - Oral			
meloxicam (Mobic) 7.5 mg tablet		11/9/2022	
Take one to two tablets by mouth daily.			
Patient-reported medication			
predniSONE (Deltasone) 10 mg tablet dose pack		6/1/2022	
Day 1: 60 mg (6 tab); Day 2: 50 mg (5 tab); Day 3: 40 mg (4 tab); Day 4: 30 mg (3 tab); Day 5: 20 mg (2 tab); Day 6: 10 mg (1 tab);			
Patient-reported medication			

Visit Diagnoses

Primary: Sacroiliac joint dysfunction of right side M53.3

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INDEPENDENT MEDICAL EXAMINATION

Patient Name: Walter Hoover
Date of Birth: 9/6/1968
Date of Injury: 05/25/2022
Date of IME: 2/14/2023
Case Status: open
Body parts covered: lumbar spine

History of Present Illness

Mr. Hoover is a 54 year old male presenting for independent medical examination following a work related injury that occurred on 5/25/22. He reports that he was working for a tractor supply company and was moving dog kennels with a coworker. He states that the kennels weighed over 180lbs and are typically moved with a forklift. He states a coworker was handing him a kennel and dropped it and he tried to catch it and was knocked to the ground. He reports that he immediately felt low back pain with radiation into his right lower extremity.

He originally presented to Palmetto Bone and Joint for new patient evaluation with Dr. Samuel Davis with complaints of low back pain with radiation into his right leg. Dr. Davis ordered a lumbar MRI. Lumbar MRI was performed on 6/22/22 and Dr. Davis reported that MRI showed WHAT. At follow up appointment Dr. Davis ordered LESI at L4-5. On 7/12/22 Mr. Hoover underwent lumbar transforaminal epidural steroid injection at L5-S1 with Dr. Giridhar Gundu. At his follow up appointment with Dr. Davis he reporting 60% improvement in his right leg numbness but no change in his low back pain. He reported adverse effects to the steroid to include headache and redness in his face. Mr. Hoover then tried dry needling, but reported that it was not helpful. At follow up visit on 9/9/2022, Dr. Davis recommended second opinion with a neurosurgeon.

Mr. Hoover had an IME with Dr. Gunter on 1/6/2023. Dr. Gunter recommended new LMRI and opined that Mr. Hoover was suffering from right sacroiliac dysfunction and recommended SI joint injections. He recommended patient work at sedentary duty.

Today, Mr. Hoover complains of low back pain with radiation into his right lower extremity, stopping at the calf. He reports associated numbness on the bottom and outer portion of his right foot. He denies symptoms in his left leg. He reports that he has had previous back surgery in 2019, and states he had complete resolution of back pain following the surgery. For this injury he has tried narcotics, gabapentin, muscle relaxers, and NSAIDs with minimal relief. Since he has seen Dr. Gunter he has had new lumbar MRI, but we do not have the report available for review today. He states he has been out of work since the injury.

Physical Exam:

General:

General appearance: pleasant, well nourished, in no acute distress

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Back:

Spine: pain in lower lumbar area, unable to sit on right side of buttocks. S I joints: tender on right side, + FABER on the right, +compression on the right.

Musculoskeletal:

Gait: Normal. Strength: 5/5 in both the upper and lower extremities. Tone and Spasticity: No spasticity or increased tone, No atrophy

Current Medications:

1. Non-contributory

Discussion and Recommendations:

It is within a reasonable degree of medical certainty that Mr. Walter Hoover is suffering from sacroiliac joint dysfunction on the right as a result of a work-related injury that occurred on 05/25/22. He has had intervention to include epidural steroid injection, dry-needling, and medication management.

The following are recommendations in the treatment plan:

1. Right SI joint injection x2
2. Consider SI joint RFA if short lived relief with SI joint injection. Consider SI joint fusion should he fail both the steroid injections and the RFA
3. Start Celebrex 200mg QD. Narcotics are not indicated.
4. Obtain LMRI report for review
5. Anticipate MMI in 3-6 months pending response to injections and timeliness of care

The following are responses to questions asked for the IME:

1. We kindly request you address Dr. Gunter's pain recommendations and determine appropriate treatment for the lumbar spine
 - a. Please see detailed treatment plan as outlined above

Edward Tavel, MD

03/07/23

Date



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PROGRESS NOTES

Patient: HOOVER, WALTER
Account Number: 103009
DOB: 09/06/1968 Age: 54 Y Sex: Male
Phone: 803-394-3047
Address: 6194 DOGWALLARD, WHITMIRE, SC-29178-9157

Provider: Edward M Tavel, MD

Date: 05/02/2023

Subjective:

Chief Complaints:

1. Low Back Pain.

HPI:

Worker's Comp:

DOI 5/25/2022, Work Status Employed, Body Parts Covered Low back, Claim Status Open, NCM Randi Walle (to attend).

Pain Management:

Patient is here today for a #1 RIGHT SI joint injection. He states the pain radiates down into the RIGHT buttock and leg. He denies any numbness/tingling. He rates pain 10/10 today on a pain scale.

ROS:

Constitutional:

Patient denies fever, loss of appetite, insomnia.

Gastroenterology:

Patient denies nausea/vomiting, diarrhea, constipation.

Neurology:

Patient denies arm weakness. Patient complaining of tingling, numbness, poor balance, leg weakness.

Medical History: Medical History Verified.

Surgical History: spine/back surgery 2019.

Hospitalization/Major Diagnostic Procedure: see above.

Family History: Father: alive. Mother: alive.

Medications: Discontinued oxyCODONE-Acetaminophen 5-325 MG Tablet TAKE ONE TABLET BY MOUTH EVERY 4 HOURS AS NEEDED Oral , Discontinued Meloxicam 7.5 MG Tablet TAKE ONE TO TWO TABLETS BY MOUTH ONE TIME DAILY Oral , Discontinued Gabapentin 300 MG Capsule TAKE ONE CAPSULE BY MOUTH EVERY 12 HOURS Oral , Medication List reviewed and reconciled with the patient

Allergies: Prednisone, steroids.

Objective:

Vitals: Pain Scale 10, Ht 70 in, Wt 200 lbs, BM 28.69, BP 148/83 mm Hg, HR 57, RR 18.

Examination:

Pre-procedure Assessment:

NPO since last PM.

Bloodthinners None.

IV size and location 24 gauge.

Consent signed by patient.

Driver Wife.

Assessment:

Assessment:

1. Sacroiliitis, not elsewhere classified - M46.1 (Primary)

Plan:

1. Sacroiliitis, not elsewhere classified

Start CeleBREX Capsule, 200 MG, 1 capsule with food, Orally, Once a day, 30 day(s), 30.

Notes: After today's injection, we will schedule a follow up appointment for the patient in 3 weeks to discuss results. Permanent images have been recorded. Patient instructed that sedation will remain in system for 24 hours and cause drowsiness, no driving or operating heavy machinery. Do not drink alcohol. Rest today and resume normal activity tomorrow, use ice for soreness. AN INDEPENDENT, TRAINED, OBSERVER IS PRESENT TO MONITOR THE PATIENT DURING THE MODERATE SEDATION.

Procedures:

*Sacroiliac Joint Injection:

Location RIGHT SI JOINT. Pre-procedure Diagnosis M46.1- Sacroiliitis, not elsewhere classified. Plan of Treatment Will do an SI Joint Injection today. Sedation Total of 2mg Versed admin MP Landis, Andrea 5/2/2023 11:01:00 AM> . Procedure Detail Right SI Joint: The procedure and potential risks were explained to the patient and informed written consent was obtained. The patient was escorted to the procedure room and placed in the prone position. Pillows were utilized for proper positioning and comfort. The patient's lower back was prepped with iodine x3 and draped in a sterile fashion. Subcutaneous 1% lidocaine was instilled into the superficial soft tissue of the patient's lower back for local anesthesia. With fluoroscopic guidance, a 22 gauge, 3 1/2" spinal needle was advanced into the posteroinferior aspect of the right SI joint. After confirmation of the needle tip location with the needle tip, 0.25% bupivacaine was instilled. The patient tolerated the

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the right SI joint. After confirmation of the intra-articular position of the needle tip, 2cc 0.25% bupivacaine was injected. The patient tolerated the procedure well, and was transported to the recovery area for observation and discharge instructions. Permanent images saved and recorded. Post-procedure Observation Transported to recovery area via wheelchair, IV removed-no redness or inflammation, Written discharge instructions reviewed with patient and driver, Patient at baseline mobility, no leg weakness/numbness, Vital signs stable BP:140/80 P: 76, Patient now rates pain on a 10/10 scale, Escorted to private vehicle without incident IV OUT Landis, Andrea 5/2/2023 11:15:35 AM> . Post-procedure Diagnosis Same as pre-procedure diagnosis. Intra-procedure Monitoring Patient easily arousable, oriented, able to follow commands and answer questions throughout entire procedure, Vital signs monitored constantly through procedure, and remained stable at all times. Notes Will see patient back in 2-3 weeks for follow up.

Procedure Codes: 27096 INJECT SACROIL IAC JOINT, Modifiers: RT, 99152 MOD CS BY SAME PHYS, 5 YRS +, A4550 STERILE TRAY, J2250 MDIAZOLAM 1 MG (VERSED), Units: 2.00

Follow Up: 3 Weeks (Reason: F/U)

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Provider: Edward M. Tavel, MD

Date: 05/02/2023



Daily Note

Date of Visit: 04-17-23
Patient Name: Hoover, Walter
Patient #: 2253999
Date of Birth: 09-06-1968
Age: 54

Therapist: Brice Rizzetta PT
Referring MD: Brett Gunter MD
Time In: 08:52a
Time Out: 10:14a

Total Time based minutes: 72 Total Treatment time: 82

Date of Onset: 03-20-2023

Diagnosis:

M53.3 Sacrococcygeal disorders, not elsewhere classified

SUBJECTIVE:

Had a busy weekend helping kids at the house. Pain is still there but he feels better knowing he can move without risk of further injury

Contraindications:

1. none

OBJECTIVE:

Observations:

If applicable, Grip Strength for Consistency of Effort Testing will be added at therapist's discretion under the Hand Exam.

Objective Comments:

IE:

- Only subjective information gathered this session due to patient concerns of increasing pain. Will follow up with doctors office for imaging results before moving forward with objective measures.

FU visit 1:

- severe hypersensitivity to touch over the involved area. s/s consistent with allodynia. unable to assess joint mobility or palpate musculature below L3 due to pain and hypersensitivity.

Gait assessment

- IE: antalgic, decreased trunk rotation, decreased time in stance on RLE

Offloads RLE when seated

ACTIVITY LOG:

Exercises	Comment	Sets	Reps	Wt	Time	Done Today	Spec	Provider	Weekly Goal	Weekly Goal Met
97140 - Manual Therapy - [TP007]	=====	===	===	=====	8	Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C		

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Exercises	Comment	Sets	Reps	Wt	Time	Done Today	Spec	Provider	Weekly Goal	Weekly Goal Met
Touch	Right lumbar/SIJ for desensitization					Yes		Rizzetta 10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
97110 - Ther-Ex / Procedure - [TP001]	=====	===	===	=====	10	Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
UBE/leg bike	10min					Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
97530 - Therapeutic Activity - [TP009]	=====	===	===	=====	30	Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
Patient education	management strategies					Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
LTR	2min					Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
BKFO	2min					Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
STS	3 x 10 tap					Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
step ups	8in	3	10			Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
SS	GTB 3x					Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
97112 - Neuro Re-Ed - [TP002]	=====	===	===	=====	8	Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
VC/TC	technique					Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
Neural glides	Right in seated		10			Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
97537 - Community / Work Reintegration - [TP013]	=====	===	===	=====	16	Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
Seated ball roll	For bending and reaching					Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
Standing reaching to floor		2	10			Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
Carries	25# 150ft ea					Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		
Row	CC SA 12.5#		30			Yes		10381 (PT)		

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Exercises	Comment	Sets	Reps	Wt	Time	Done Today	Spec	Provider	Weekly Goal	Weekly Goal Met
	neu/low							Brice C Rizzetta		
Lifting	25# knees to waist	3	10			Yes		10381 (PT) Brice C Rizzetta		

Service Based	Comment	Status	Time	Done Today
E-Stim (unattended)	BR IFC LPs for pain modulation	Active	10	Yes

ASSESSMENT:

The patient's progress towards goals is good and his tolerance to treatment is good. Patient states that he is now working out on Total Gym at home and doing as much as he can to stay moving. He states that he is no longer having abdominal pain but the SIJ pain is unchanged. It is still very sensitive to touch. Added ss, lifting and STS to mimic squatting all with good tolerance

Patient with significant improvement in activity tolerance this session. Movements were still painful but patient is no longer living in fear of creating further injury/damage. States that he feels better just knowing there isn't anything he is going to do to create additional damage. He recognizes that he needs to ease into activity gradually to avoid overloading tissue that hasn't been loaded as it normally would be since the injury

Goals	Short-Long	Time Frame	Result	Comment	Last Assessed
Percent of Goals Met	Long Term	12 weeks	Ongoing	0%	4/5/23

PLAN:

Walter will continue with therapist management as outlined in the plan of care. This is visit # 7.

Patient/caregiver of patient has consented to treatment and understands the diagnosis, prognosis and treatment goals associated with this plan of care.

Best regards,

Brice Rizzetta PT

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HOOVER, WALTER DOB: 09/06/1968 (54 yo M) Acc No. 14013 DOS: 06/22/2023



Patient: HOOVER, WALTER
DOB: 09/06/1968 Age: 54 Y Sex: Male

Provider: Gisele J. Girault, MD
Date: 06/22/2023

Reason for Appointment

1. WORKERS COMP NEW PATIENT

History of Present IllnessInitial Pain Management Consult:

Mr. Hoover comes to us as a new workers' compensation patient. His work related injury occurred on 5/25/22 while working for Tractor Supply Company. He was moving dog kennels with a coworker. These kennels are typically moved with a forklift. He was handed a kennel by the coworker and he dropped it, he tried to catch it and he was knocked to the ground. He immediately felt low back pain that radiates into his right lower leg.

He has had lumbar transforaminal epidural steroid injections at L5-S1 and reported 60% improvement in his right leg numbness but no change in the low back pain. Adverse effects to the steroid included headache and redness in his face. He has also had dryneedling but it did not help.

WORKERS COMP
GALLAGHER BASSETT
PO BOX 2934
CLINTON, IA 52733-2934
PH: 407-583-3269
FX: 407-281-6472
CLAIM #: 004169065746WC01
BODY PART: LOW BACK
DIANNA FRYE, RN, CCM, QRP
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Allergies

predniSONE
steroids

Vital Signs

Wt: 200 lbs, BMI: 28.69 Index, Ht: 70 in, Pain scale: 10 1-10, Ht-cm: 177.8 cm, Wt-kg: 90.72 kg.

ExaminationGeneral Examination:

LUMBOSACRAL SPINE EXAM -- Inspection: Erythema-Bilateral-No erythema present. Edema- bilateral- No edema present. Scars- There are no scars present. Alignment- normal alignment. Palpation: Tenderness: Paraspinal- left-mild tenderness in the paraspinal muscles and noted in the lumbosacral area. Right- mild tenderness in the paraspinal muscles. Bilateral - No paraspinal tenderness is present. Exquisite bilateral sacroiliac joint tenderness. Positive FABER sign. Muscle: Lumbar Paraspinal-Left- muscle tightness. Right- muscles tightness and mild paraspinal muscle spasm. Bilateral- normal muscle tone with no spasm or trigger points present on palpation. Gluteus Maximus-

Provider: Gisele J. Girault, MD

Date: 06/22/2023

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Right Gluteus Maximus muscle tightness and mild Gluteus Maximus muscle spasm. ROM: ROM- The range of motion for the lumbar spine is moderately restricted in all planes of movement and motion for the lumbar spine is limited with pain exacerbated (due to pain in the left lower back and SI joint). Provocative testing- Left- SI provocation test is positive for pain, Yeoman's Test positive for SI joint pain, Gaenslen's Test is positive for SI joint pain, Hibb's Test is positive for SI joint pain and Sacral Apex Test is positive for SI joint pain. Right-SI Provocation test is positive for pain, Yeoman's Test positive for SI joint pain, Hibb's Test is positive for SI joint pain and Sacral Apex test is positive for pain. Straight Leg Raising test is negative (for radicular pain). Bilateral- Straight Leg Raising test is negative.

Assessments

1. Sacroiliitis, not elsewhere classified - M46.1 (Primary)

Treatment

1. Sacroiliitis, not elsewhere classified

Notes: Mr. Hoover states his pain is at the bottom of his spine, his thigh, it feels like it is coming around his waste, on the right side. He has numbness. 6/22/22 imaging shows fissures at L4-L5 and shallow protrusion. He also has a bulge at L5-S1. More pronounced on the right side. I believe he is suffering from right side SI joint dysfunction and I recommend the following treatment plan:

- * Series of right SI injections and if these injections are successful then this series may be repeated every six months as needed indefinitely.
- * Initiation of a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory medication such as diclofenac 50 mg PO BID while Mr. Hoover is receiving his injections. The nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drug may be discontinued when he has completed his injection series and used on a PRN basis thereafter.
- * Use of physician guided home exercise program.
- * EMG/NCS of the LE.

I am unwilling to take Mr. Hoover on as a patient as he was combative when he first arrived; telling me what he was and was not going to do. Also, I found out at the end of the visit that his girlfriend was recording the visit without permission. Had she asked if she could record I probably would have allowed it, but I was not asked. As his girlfriend did most of the talking, she stated they were in the process of suing previous providers and had fired previous attorneys.

2. Others

Notes: Electronically signed by Gisele J. Girault, MD, scribed by: Jan Brodie

Total time spent in preparation, reviewing labs and imaging, face to face contact, writing orders and documentation: 45 MINS.



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Date: 06/22/2023

HOOVER, WALTER DOB: 09/06/1968 (54 yo M) Acc No. 14013 DOS: 06/22/2023

07/14/2023 02:20 AM Haris, Ash > Update to Encounter: Appointment Facility updated from Pain Medicine Specialists to Carolina Interventional Pain Assoc.

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Hoover, Walter R Jr.
MRN: M001371678, DOB: 9/6/1968, Sex: M
Visit date: 11/13/2023

Hoover, Walter R Jr.

MRN. M001371678

Office Visit 11/13/2023
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Provider: Boyd, Scott B, MD (Neurosurgery)
Primary diagnosis: SI (sacroiliac) joint dysfunction
Reason for Visit: Workers Comp

Progress Notes

Boyd, Scott B, MD (Physician) • Neurosurgery

Chief Complaint
Patient presents with
• Workers Comp
IME. The pt presents to the NS Clinic for c/o back pain. Review MRI L-spine (pt to bring disc)

Vitals:
11/13/23 1121
BP: 160/83
Pulse: 68

Body mass index is 31.87 kg/m².

HPI
This is a 55-year-old here for independent medical evaluation of low back and right leg pain. This is related to a work injury on May 25, 2022 while working at tractor supply company he was moving dog kennel's with a coworker and he slipped and was knocked to the ground by a dropped dog kennel. He felt immediate onset of low back pain on the right. He has a history of prior right L5-S1 microdiscectomy done 4 years ago and had good resolution of his radicular pain but had some lingering S1 pattern numbness. This current pain is different from what he experienced before. He describes pain over his lower right lumbosacral area that radiates down to the buttock and anterior thigh. He feels intermittent weakness in his right leg. He has to guard his right hip while sitting he has undergone physical therapy that aggravated his pain. He has had several injections including SI joint injections that provided substantial but very temporary relief. He has also had a reaction to both oral and injected steroids and so is felt to be allergic to steroids.

Pain location/frequency: Back, cont
Pain scale (1-10): 10
History of trauma: Work inj, 5/25/22 "moving dog kennels"
Aggravating factors: in one position too long
Alleviating factors: denies
Associated symptoms: pain into right hip to grpain, denies numbness/tingling. Occ right leg seem weak, "doesn't want to work"
Prior spine surgery: 2019 Back surgery
Physical therapy: Since injury, yes
Injection therapy: Since injury, yes
Painmedications: occ meloxicam,
Hand dominance: Right
Smoking status: Former smoker

Review of Systems
Constitutional: Positive for unexpected weight change.
Respiratory: Negative.

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Cardiovascular: Negative.
 Gastrointestinal: Negative.
 Genitourinary: Negative.
 Musculoskeletal: Positive for back pain and muscle cramps.
 Neurological: Positive for weakness.

Past Medical History:

Diagnosis

Date

- Hernia, inguinal

Past Surgical History:

Procedure

Laterality

Date

- BACK SURGERY
- HERNIA REPAIR
- KNEE SURGERY
- TYMPANOSTOMY TUBE PLACEMENT

Current Outpatient Medications:

- predniSONE 10 mg (STERAPRED DS) 6 day pak, Day 1: 60 mg (6 tab); Day 2: 50 mg (5 tab); Day 3: 40 mg (4 tab); Day 4: 30 mg (3 tab); Day 5: 20 mg (2 tab); Day 6: 10 mg (1 tab);, Disp: 1 kit, Rfl: 0

Allergies

Allergen

Reactions

- Tylenol [Acetaminophen]
- Other

Swelling

Other (See Comments)

"Allergic to STEROIDS"

The patient reports that he has quit smoking. His smoking use included cigarettes. He smoked an average of .5 packs per day. He has never used smokeless tobacco. He reports that he does not currently use drugs after having used the following drugs: Marijuana. He reports that he does not drink alcohol. The patient has a family history includes Stroke in his father.

Reviewed and updated this visit by provider:

ObjectivePhysical Exam

Constitutional: Patient is oriented to person, place, and time. Appears well-developed and well-nourished. Non-toxic appearance. Pain distress.

HENT:

Head: Normocephalic and atraumatic.

Eyes: Conjunctivae, EOM and lids are normal. Pupils are equal, round, and reactive to light. No scleral icterus. No nystagmus.

Neck: Normal range of motion. Phonation normal. Nomuscular tenderness present. No tracheal deviation present.

Back: Significant limitation of lumbar range of motion. Exquisite tenderness to palpation of right SI joint. Cardiovascular: Normal rate and intact distal pulses. Exam reveals nodecreased pulses.

Pulmonary/Chest: Effort normal. No accessory muscle usage or stridor. No respiratory distress. Patient exhibits no wheezes. Abdominal: Patient exhibits no distension. There is no guarding. : Normal range of motion. Patient exhibits no edema or deformity.

Neurological: Patient is alert and oriented to person, place, and time. Patient displays no tremor. No cranial nerve deficit. Normal muscle tone. Coordination normal.

Reflex Scores:

Tricep reflexes are 2+ on the right side and 2+ on the left side.

Bicep reflexes are 2+ on the right side and 2+ on the left side.

Brachioradialis reflexes are 2+ on the right side and 2+ on the left side.

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Patellar reflexes are 2+ on the right side and 2+ on the left side.

Achilles reflexes are tr+ on the right side and 1+ on the left side.

5-/5 right EHL subtle weakness

5/5 power all other lower extremity muscle groups.

Skin: Skin is warm, dry and intact.

Psychiatric: Patient has a normal mood and affect. Speech is normal and behavior is normal. Cognition and memory are normal.

No results found.

MRI of the lumbar spine done at Palmetto imaging shows some chronic moderate degenerative changes. There are postop changes of hemilaminectomy on the right at L5-S1 with either recurrent residual disc osteophyte in the lateral recess versus scar tissue that abuts but does not impinge the adjacent L5 or S1 nerve roots. There may be a midline annular tear at L4-5 but at no level is there more than mild foraminal or central canal stenosis.

Assessment/Plan

Low back and proximal right leg pain in a pattern most consistent with SI joint dysfunction rather than radiculopathy. I believe he may have some chronic radicular numbness from previous surgery but his pain I believe is related to his SI joint on the right. He has had extensive treatment thus far that is been either not helpful or made his conditions worse. According to his records and his history he did have temporary improvement with SI joint injections. SI joint fusion surgery has been recommended to him as a possible treatment option by Dr. Gunter. I do not believe that he is at MMI as I believe he should be reevaluated by pain management to consider specifically SI joint RFA. If this is not possible or ineffective then he should be offered SI joint fusion. I have discussed with him that this is not a procedure that I performed and have noted quite variable results. Upon completion or consideration for these treatments he would be at MMI.

Diagnoses and all orders for this visit:

1. SI (sacroiliac) joint dysfunction

- Referral to Pain Clinic

This note was created using dictation software. Although I take great effort to ensure accuracy, there is a possibility for grammatical, spelling, and transcription errors.

Boyd, Scott B

Instructions

After Visit Summary (Automatic SnapShot taken 11/13/2023)

Additional Documentation

Vitals: BP 160/83 (BP Location: Left arm, Patient Position: Sitting) Pulse 68 Ht 6' (1.829 m) Wt 106.6 kg (235 lb)
BMI 31.87 kg/m² BSA 2.33 m² Pain Sc 10-Worst pain ever

Flowsheets: Anthropometrics, Shock Index, Pain Assessment, DI BP Formula

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11/14/23, 8:02 AM

Hoover, Walter R Jr. (MRN M001371878) DOB: 09/06/1968 Encounter Date: 11/13/2023

Outside Radiology Results - Scan on 9/20/2023 1456 by Taylor, Megan N: XR-L Spine - Palmetto Imaging 06/22/22
Workers Comp Documents - Scan on 9/20/2023 1456 by Taylor, Megan N: Outside Records - Pain Specialists of Charleston
Workers Comp Documents - Scan on 9/20/2023 1456 by Taylor, Megan N: outside records - SC Internal Med
Workers Comp Documents - Scan on 9/20/2023 1456 by Taylor, Megan N: Outside Records - Southeastern Spine Institute
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Workers Comp Documents - Scan on 9/20/2023 1456 by Taylor, Megan N: Outside Records - Benchmark PT
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Outside Radiology Results - Scan on 9/20/2023 1456 by Taylor, Megan N: MRI L Spine - Southeastern Spine 03/08/2019
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Workers Comp Documents - Scan on 9/20/2023 1456 by Taylor, Megan N: Outside Records - MUSC Dr. Gunter
Workers Comp Documents - Scan on 9/20/2023 1456 by Taylor, Megan N: Pain Medicine Specialists OV notes - 06/22/23
Workers Comp Documents - Scan on 9/12/2023 1328 by Taylor, Megan N: Signed IME Letter
Workers Comp Documents - Scan on 8/16/2023 1510 by Taylor, Megan N: IME Referral Form

Orders Placed

Referral to Pain Clinic Pending Review

Medication Changes

As of 11/13/2023 11:21 AM

None

Medication List at End of Visit

As of 11/13/2023 11:21 AM

	Refills	Start Date	End Date
predniSONE 10 mg (STERAPRED DS) 6 day pak	0	6/1/2022	—
Day 1: 60 mg (6 tab); Day 2: 50 mg (5 tab); Day 3: 40 mg (4 tab); Day 4: 30 mg (3 tab); Day 5: 20 mg (2 tab); Day 6: 10 mg (1 tab);			

Visit Diagnoses

Primary: SI (sacroiliac) joint dysfunction M53.3

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Phone: 803-935-8410
Fax: 803-936-7816

Patient:

Walter R Hoover Jr.
6194 DOGWALLA RD
WHITMIRE SC 29178
Home: 803-394-3047
Mobile: 803-394-3047

MRN: M001371678
DOB: 9/6/1968
SSN: xxx-xx-5421
Sex: M

Primary

GENERIC WORKERS' COMP/GENERIC
WORKERS' COMP

Secondary

- No Secondary Coverage -

Sub: HOOVER, WALTER R JR.

Grp:

ID: 004169-065746WC-01

Sub DOB: 09/06/1968

Sub:

Grp:

ID:

Sub DOB:

Referral to Pain Clinic

Diagnosis: SI (sacroiliac) joint dysfunction (M53.3)

Questions:

Comments: Recommend eval for SIJ RFA
Workman's comp to schedule

Referred To Information:**Referring/Authorizing Provider Information:**

Boyd, Scott B, MD
222 East Medical Lane
Lexington Medical Park 3
Suite 200

Phone: 803-935-8410
Fax: 803-936-7816
NPI: 1528160686

WEST COLUMBIA SC 29169

Order Date: Nov 13, 2023

Order Time: 12:19 PM

Expected Date:

Authorized by: Boyd, Scott B, MD

CDS Vendor:

CDS Adherence:

CDS Hardship Exception:

This document serves as a request of services and does not constitute insurance authorization or approval of services. To determine eligibility, please contact the members insurance carrier to verify and review coverage.

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Gallagher Bassett Appointment Update

Walter Hoover

Claim Representative: Tanna Discher

Claim: 004169065746WC01

DOB: 9/6/68

DOI: 6/1/22

Diagnosis: Lumbar Pain

Provider: Dr. Boyd

222 East Medical Lane

West Columbia, SC

Appointment Update: November 13, 2023

Return visit:

Medical Update: Case manager met with Mr. Hoover and female companion on November 13, 2023 at the appointment with Dr. Boyd. Mr. Hoover was called back to the exam room and stated very loudly to the office staff that case manager was not allowed to gather any medical information related to him. The female companion states "she doesn't do her job and if she gets medical information, it is breaking HIPPA." Case manager attempted to explain to staff she was present on behalf of Gallagher Bassett and allowing a private exam.

Mr. Hoover continued to express he does not give permission.

Case manager waited in the waiting area and the office manager advised Dr. Boyd was notified and advised to keep the peace he will make sure he documents this in his office note but will not speak to the case manager.

The office note will be ready by the end of the business day.

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Name	Pay Rate	Paycheck Issue Date	Pay Period Begin Date	Pay Period End Date	Gross - Total	Gross excluding bonus	Monthly Store Bonus	Reg Hours	OT Hours	Vacation - Hours
Hoover Jr. Walter R	15.40	12/31/2021	12/12/2021	12/25/2021	312.00	312.00	0.00	24.00	0.00	0.00
Hoover Jr. Walter R	15.40	01/14/2022	12/26/2021	01/08/2022	830.44	830.44	0.00	63.88	0.00	0.00
Hoover Jr. Walter R	15.40	01/28/2022	01/09/2022	01/22/2022	751.66	751.66	0.00	57.82	0.00	0.00
Hoover Jr. Walter R	15.40	02/11/2022	01/23/2022	02/05/2022	1201.62	1111.11	90.51	72.15	0.00	0.00
Hoover Jr. Walter R	15.40	02/25/2022	02/06/2022	02/19/2022	1281.20	1281.20	0.00	80.00	2.13	0.00
Hoover Jr. Walter R	15.40	03/11/2022	02/20/2022	03/05/2022	1210.06	1210.06	0.00	78.47	.07	0.00
Hoover Jr. Walter R	15.40	03/25/2022	03/06/2022	03/19/2022	1245.01	1245.01	0.00	79.45	.93	0.00
Hoover Jr. Walter R	15.40	04/08/2022	03/20/2022	04/02/2022	1205.51	1205.51	0.00	77.50	.52	0.00
Hoover Jr. Walter R	15.40	04/22/2022	04/03/2022	04/16/2022	1495.61	1195.04	300.57	77.60	0.00	0.00
Hoover Jr. Walter R	15.40	05/06/2022	04/17/2022	04/30/2022	1074.30	1074.30	0.00	69.76	0.00	0.00
Hoover Jr. Walter R	15.40	05/20/2022	05/01/2022	05/14/2022	1332.56	1332.56	0.00	85.60	.62	0.00
Hoover Jr. Walter R	15.40	06/03/2022	05/15/2022	05/28/2022	1138.14	1138.14	0.00	71.70	1.47	0.00
Hoover Jr. Walter R	15.40	06/17/2022	05/29/2022	06/11/2022	1149.53	882.73	266.80	57.32	0.00	0.00
Hoover Jr. Walter R	15.40	07/01/2022	06/12/2022	06/25/2022	122.12	122.12	0.00	7.93	0.00	0.00

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Pay Period Begin Date	Pay Period End Date	Gross - Total
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12/26/2021	01/08/2022	830.44
01/09/2022	01/22/2022	751.66
01/23/2022	02/05/2022	1201.62
02/06/2022	02/19/2022	1281.20
02/20/2022	03/05/2022	1210.06
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03/20/2022	04/02/2022	1205.51
04/03/2022	04/16/2022	1495.61
04/17/2022	04/30/2022	1074.30
05/01/2022	05/14/2022	1332.56

DOI: 5/25/2022

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Total: 11939.97
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CLIENT: DOUGLAS TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY

LF OF

NAME: HOOVER JR WALTER

THOMAS DUSTONE MC 10 15 100

NET PTO: \$ 61,404.34

STONE 1453
STANBERRY

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STATUS: IS-ISSUED PE-PENDING VO-VOIDED SP-STOPPED AN-ADVISED
 CR-CLEARED NO-HOLD BK-BANKING SA-STOPPED MV-MOVED
 RP-REFUND HOLD

TYPE: CP-COMPUTER RP-REPETITIVE SM-STATISTICAL MV-MANAGED CASE FEE
 FP-FIELD PAY ST-STATISTICAL CV-CONVERTED

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NAME: HOOVER JR

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STORE : 0453

NET PTD: \$ 65,406.34

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IND 001 05				596.32		
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STATUS: IS-ISSUED PE-PENDING VO-VOIDED SP-STOPPAY AV-ADJVOID
 CR-CLEARED HO-HOLD BK-BANKING SA-STOPAGED MV-MOVEVOID
 HP-PREFUND HOLD

TYPE: CP-COMPUTER RP-REPETITIVE SM-STATISTICAL MOVED MC-MANAGED CARE FEE
 FP-FIELD PAY ST-STATISTICAL CV-CONVERTED

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* IND 001	* TTD 10/17/2022 - 10/23/2022				*
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STATUS: IS-ISSUED PE-PENDING VO-VOIDED SP-STOPPAY AV-ADJVOID
 CR-CLEARED HO-HOLD BK-BANKING SA-STOPAGED MV-MOVEVOID
 HP-PREFUND HOLD

TYPE: CP-COMPUTER RP-REPETITIVE SM-STATISTICAL MOVED MC-MANAGED CARE FEE
 FP-FIELD PAY ST-STATISTICAL CV-CONVERTED

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* IND	001 * 1 WK TTD	8/15 - 8/21/22			*
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CR-CP	0000752932	0181322149	11Aug22	2901.52	HOOVER, WALTER
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 CR-CLEARED HO-HOLD BK-BANKING SA-STOPAGED MV-MOVEVOID
 HP-PREFUND HOLD

TYPE: CP-COMPUTER RP-REPETITIVE SM-STATISTICAL MOVED MC-MANAGED CARE FEE
 FP-FIELD PAY ST-STATISTICAL CV-CONVERTED

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NAME: HOOVER JR

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ST-TY	PAY CTRL #	CHECK #	DATE	AMOUNT	PAYEE NAME
* PAY CODE	* CHECK MESSAGE				* DATES OF SERVICE

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STATUS: IS-ISSUED	PE-PENDING	VO-VOIDED	SP-STOPPAY	AV-ADJVOID
CR-CLEARED	HO-HOLD	BK-BANKING	SA-STOPAGED	MV-MOVEVOID
HP-PREFUND HOLD				

TYPE: CP-COMPUTER	RP-REPETITIVE	SM-STATISTICAL	MOVED	MC-MANAGED CARE FEE
FP-FIELD PAY	ST-STATISTICAL	CV-CONVERTED		

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NAME: HOOVER JR

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INDEMNITY

*** 1st Disability Begin Date : 26May22 ***

\$ 33,887.42 001 TEMPORARY TOTAL DISABILITY

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\$ 33,887.42 TOTAL INDEMNITY PAYMENTS

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From: Lorianne Campbell
To: Claudia Piechota
Cc: Jeff Close; Heidi Greene - Orlando GB
Subject: URGENT Hoover is at it again. 004169-065746-wc-01
Date: Tuesday, July 11, 2023 10:07:58 AM

No one should have contact with him.

Lori Campbell|Claims Supervisor|Gallagher Bassett

Postal mail should be sent to:

P.O. Box 2934, Clinton, IA 52733-2934

O: 407-583-3269 | Fax: 407-281-6472

Email: Lorianne_Campbell@gbtpa.com

Alternate Point of Contact: Jill_Keene@gbtpa.com

From: Jeff Close <Jeff_Close@gbtpa.com>

Sent: Tuesday, July 11, 2023 9:39 AM

To: Lorianne Campbell <Lorianne_Campbell@gbtpa.com>; Heidi Greene - Orlando GB
<Heidi_Greene@gbtpa.com>

Subject: Lori; you need to call this guy to day. 004169-065746-wc-01

I took call from service desk as they could not get in touch with you. .. said he was angry and demanded to speak to supervisor.

So I took call. With him was someone named Amy. I asked who Amy was and he said it did not matter. She would not tell me if she is from attorney office or what. they said he has been waiting for information from you or us for his case.

He was loud. Called me a liar and then called me an idiot. They started giving me a list of information they wanted. Since the list was getting long I asked for them to send me email listing their wants. He said we have that . I told him that I did not know his case but if he would send me a list I would get it to you and defense . again he said we have that and has been waiting for it. Again, he called me an idiot. I said call me that again and I am hanging up . he kept it up, and I hung the phone up.

He also said he was recording our conversation.

Jeff Close | Claims Supervisor | Gallagher Bassett

P.O. Box 2934, Clinton, IA 52733

Direct Line: 407-583-3266

Email: Jeff_Close@gbtpa.com

Alternate Contact: Heidi_Greene@gbtpa.com 407-583-3201

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BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

WCC FILE NO. 2207041

WALTER HOOVER, JR.,

Employee,

Claimant,

vs.

TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY,

Employer,

AND

STARR SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY,

Carrier,

Defendants.

NOTICE OF MOTION AND
MOTION FOR ORDER LIMITING
CLAIMANT'S COMMUNICATION
WITH DEFENDANTS, THEIR
REPRESENTATIVES AND ASSIGNED
REHABILITATION PROFESSIONALS

TO: SOUTH CAROLINA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION AND,
WALTER HOOVER, PRO SE CLAIMANT:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that Defendants Tractor Supply Company and Starr Specialty Insurance Company, ("Defendants"), within 10 days, or the first available date thereafter, shall move for an Order placing limitations on the type of communication that Claimant has with the Defendants Counsel assigned to Claimant's case and their representatives and assigned rehabilitation professionals. The grounds for this Motion are as follows:

1. This matter stems from an admitted work accident on May 25, 2022.
2. The focus of Claimant's authorized treatment has been to the back. Claimant has been out of work for reasons related to the work accident since May 2022, and TTD is continuing.
3. Claimant is now pro se after two prior attorneys filed motions to be relieved as counsel, which were granted by the Commission.
4. Throughout this claim, Claimant has frequently communicated with Defense Counsel, their representatives, and medical providers in a manner that is disruptive, combative, and antagonistic, but more importantly, not productive or helpful with respect to resolving any of the issues raised in these communications.

5. On March 7, 2023, Defendants received an email from former Nurse Case Manager, Randi Walle, detailing Claimant's aggressive behavior with authorized treating physician, Dr. Gunter's, office staff. The aggressive behavior included, Claimant threatening the office staff, swearing at them, and having his girlfriend call the office demanding pain medication while pretending to be a case manager. (Exhibit 1)

6. On April 15, 2023, Claimant emailed Defense Attorney, Claudia Piechota, alleging she is being non-compliant and intentionally withholding mileage reimbursement from the Claimant. (Exhibit 2)

7. On April 27, 2023, Claimant emailed Defense Attorney aggressively stating the incorrect mileage was paid and stating the math was done "by someone's first grader", calling Defense Attorney "sweetie" and stating she is out of luck as he is not able to hire an attorney due to the slander by Dr. Gunter's office. (Exhibit 3)

8. On May 3, 2023, Claimant emailed Defense Attorney asking if the Commissioner allows her to pay him just when she feels like it. (Exhibit 4)

9. On May 9, 2023, Defense received an email from Gallagher Bassetts Field Case Manager detailing that due to Claimant's aggressive behavior and threats made to the Nurse Case Manager, Randi Walle, this claim will now switch to a Telephonic Nurse Case Manager. (Exhibit 5)

10. On May 10, 2023, Claimant called Defense Associate 22 times over the span of 19 minutes and left two voicemails stating he was going to continue to call until he was answered. (Exhibit 6)

11. On May 17, 2023, Claimant emailed Defense Attorney referring to her as a "beginner" attorney and alleging her of deliberately neglecting his medical care. (Exhibit 7)

12. On May 17, 2023, Defense Attorney forwarded the email from Dr. Tavel's office detailing they are releasing or discharging Claimant due to his aggressive behavior, to inform Claimant of this. (Exhibit 8)

13. On May 18, 2023, Defense Attorney received email correspondence from Claimant, demanding Defense Attorney send Claimant all items on 10 item list in said email. (Exhibit 9)

14. On May 18, 2023, Claimant emailed Defense Attorney, complaining that his new Telephonic Nurse Case Manager had not been in contact with him, and he needs to see a Neurologist, as he

is in excruciating pain. (Exhibit 10)

15. On May 19, 2023, Claimant emailed the new Telephonic Case Manager, a lengthy email alleging Gallagher Bassett has forced him into "risky" steroid injections and forced him into painful physical therapy. Further, he admits to audio recording Dr. Tavel during an appointment. Additionally, alleging that the Defendants are being negligent in handling his care. (Exhibit 10)

16. Defendants reserve the right to supplement the grounds for this motion with testimony and/or additional documentation if necessary.

For the foregoing reasons, Defendants Move for and Order directing Claimant to:

- (a) Refrain from speaking with any of Defendant's Counsel or Defendant's representatives in a hostile, argumentative, threatening, combative and/or otherwise disruptive manner;
- (b) Limit communication with Defendant's Counsel to include future medical treatment and the workers' compensation claim only;
- (c) Refrain from contacting any Tractor Supply Co. and Starr Specialty Insurance Co. regarding her pending workers' compensation claim, whether such communication is over the phone, in writing, or in person.

Respectfully submitted,



Claudia J. Piechota
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ATTORNEY FOR DEFENDANTS

Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina.
May 22, 2023

Hello—

Mr. Hoover had his appointment yesterday (3/6/2023) with Dr. Gunter. I got to the office about 20 minutes early and provided my business card to the front desk clerk. About 2 minutes after checking in, a staff member called my name and brought me into an office where Ms. Seymour was sitting in a chair waiting to speak with me. Ms. Seymour informed me that she needed to have a conversation about my client. She reported that Mr. Hoover had called the office last week and was being rude and threatening to the staff. Ms. Seymour provided me with a print out of the incident from Mr. Hoovers chart (print out is attached) and it read "Patient called office yelling, being rude and calling staff out of their name. Referred to staff as a the B word and a had because he wanted pain medication. Patient

threatened to come in office and let us have it". I asked Ms. Seymour if the girlfriend pretended to be a case manager and Ms. Seymour replied "she did". Ms. Seymour informed me that the office was thinking about canceling the appointment but decided not to and planned on speaking with me regarding the issue. Ms. Seymour mentioned that they don't tolerate abusive behavior to the staff. The conversation was over and I went back to my seat in the waiting room.

After about 20 minutes in the waiting room, Mr. Hoover/his girlfriend/and myself were called to the exam room. Dr. Gunter entered the room and sat in the chair. Dr. Gunter asked Mr. Hoover how he was doing. IW reported that he is in pain and ran out of pain meds. IW reported that he wanted to see the doctor in Charleston that did his previous back surgery because he knows what he is doing. Dr. Gunter said he needed to address the incident between Mr. Hoover and the staff. Dr. Gunter mentioned the above incident and Mr. Hoover walked out of the room abruptly and his girlfriend began to follow him but stopped, turned around, and said "she can't be in the room alone with the doctor". The girlfriend stood in the doorway and told Dr. Gunter that Mr. Hoover wants to go to Southeastern Spine Institute in Charleston. Dr. Gunter replied that he didn't see any problem with that and he will include that in his notes. The girlfriend walked out of the office and I left shortly after her. I asked Dr. Gunter on my way out when will his notes be ready and he told me "in about 5 minutes". I sat in the waiting room and waited for the notes.

At 2:20pm, Holly Atkins- who represents Mr. Hoover- called me. I told her I was in the middle of an office visit and asked her to call me back in 30 minutes. Holly replied to call her back when I was done. At 3:02pm, I called Holly back. Holly mentioned that she heard about the appointment. I informed her of the incident and read her what was allegedly said by her client (Mr. Hoover). I also mentioned that the girlfriend was accused of acting like she was a case manager when calling the office. Holly said she didn't believe the girlfriend would do something like that. Holly asked if I could send a copy of the MRI to her and I informed her that all medicals and the MRI were emailed to Vida last week. I told Holly that I would forward her the email sent to Vida when I get home. Email with attachments forwarded to Holly at 8:02pm.

Sincerely,

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Rachel N. Shipp

From: Claudia Piechota
Sent: Saturday, April 15, 2023 9:13 AM
To: Walter Hoover, Jr
Cc: Rachel N. Shipp
Subject: RE: I am sharing 'Hoover mileage updated' with you

Sounds great- I will let me client know.

CLAUDIA J. PIECHOTA

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From: Walter Hoover, Jr <whooverjr@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, April 15, 2023 9:11 AM
To: Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com>
Cc: Rachel N. Shipp <rshipp@hplplaw.com>
Subject: Re: I am sharing 'Hoover mileage updated' with you

Ive tried for MONTHS to get my reimbursement.. then you imply that you are intentionally holding it for no good reason. Im sorry, but THATS RUDE... and your intentional non-compliance with SC Regulation Code 67-1601A is obvious and apparent.

I have done EVERYTHING youve asked me to do... and I get steady resistance on this. I have responsibilities as a claimant... just as you do as an attorney.

Do what you need to, Claudia, but for the love of God, send me the CORRECT amount I am owed for mileage.

On Sat, Apr 15, 2023, 7:54 AM Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com> wrote:

Mr. Hoover,

As previously mentioned, your personal primary care visits are not authorized under workers' compensation and therefore will not be covered. I will add to the subpoena. Please refrain from being rude as I am simply doing my job. Further, you never answered my question regarding your compensation rate issue; therefore, I will notify my client to be prepared to proceed with a hearing regarding the same.

THANKS,

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From: Walter Hoover, Jr <whooverjr@gmail.com>
Sent: Saturday, April 15, 2023 7:50 AM
To: Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com>
Subject: Re: I am sharing 'Hoover mileage updated' with you

The pharmacy has had me listed as Ricky Hoover for a while. Try adding that to the subpoena, you should have all of the information you need.

My primary care doctor, Amanda Dudley referred me to Quest Diagnostics for a CBC&CMP as I was passing blood in my stool.

This situation occurred due to the accident and was reported to Tractor Supply Management in writing 1-2 days post injury.

If you cant find your authorization that was issued for Drayer PT, maybe reach out to Dr. Samuel Davis's office. I feel certain they should have a copy of the referral/authorization for the ONE Dry Needling session... thats all you all approved.

For now, I am going to get back to enjoying my Saturday. I didnt plan on waking up and having to do your job for you.

I hope you get it figured out!

On Fri, Apr 14, 2023, 9:32 PM Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com> wrote:

Mr. Hoover –

Please find attached the subpoena we have sent to Publix Pharmacy. Accordingly, they advised me that you have only picked up prescriptions on June 1, July 20, August 24, September 9, January 6, and February 14. Would you be able to assist me in providing additional information to account for the discrepancy in the visits you listed for mileage reimbursement. Additionally, we do not pay mileage for you to go to your attorney's office. I also do not have any record of you being seen at Drayer PT on August 16 or going to Quest Diagnostics on July 13. Please note, we do not provide compensation for unauthorized visits.

If you could please assist me in providing an explanation for the above, I'd greatly appreciate it.

Thank you and have a great weekend!

Sent from Mobile

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From: Walter Hoover, Jr <whooverjr@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, April 14, 2023 7:03:05 PM

To: Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com>

Subject: Re: I am sharing 'Hoover mileage updated' with you

Claudia, this is absurd.

I need an explanation as to why you have been withholding my mileage reimbursement after I have been repeatedly requesting the status of it for 4 months now. You have statutes you HAVE to follow. You dont get to withhold MY money. You are purposely failing to follow the statutes in place.

Form 50 will be filed on Monday.

On Fri, Apr 14, 2023, 8:57 AM Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com> wrote:

Hi Walter-

I have received your mileage. Did Holly ever discuss with you the fact that your compensation rate was incorrectly calculated and we have an overpayment of TTD?

CLAUDIA J. PIECHOTA

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From: Walter Hoover, Jr <whooverjr@gmail.com>

Sent: Friday, April 14, 2023 8:45 AM

To: Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com>

Subject: Fwd: I am sharing 'Hoover mileage updated' with you

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From: Walter Hoover, Jr <whooverjr@gmail.com>

Date: Fri, Apr 7, 2023, 9:00 AM

Subject: I am sharing 'Hoover mileage updated' with you

To: Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com>

Please expedite.

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<https://aka.ms/officeandroidshareinstall>

Any updates?

Also, I understood, at this point, that once a benefit has started, the only way it is to be halted is at the instruction of Commissioner. Is that true? If so, why has there been a 4, almost 5 month, delay in paying the remainder of my mileage when the updated mileage has been submitted to you on a monthly basis.

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Subject: Walter Hoover # 004169-065746-WC-01

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Hi Lorianne:

It has come to my attention that Mr. Hoover on several occasions has made threatening comments to Randi Walle who is the FCM that has been working with him.

Also Mr. Hoover has been released by Dr. Gunter (surgeon) due to threatening comments that were made to staff over the phone and there is a possibility that he will be released from Dr. Taval (pain management) due to threatening calls made to his office as well.

I am Randi's supervisor and I have also discussed this with my manager Diane Baker and the decision has been made that this file needs to be transferred to a Telephonic Case Manager and Randi will be closing her file. In the interim until a TCM is assigned I will contact Dr. Taval's office and provide my contact information.

Please complete an electronic referral for TCM to complete this transfer.

Thank you for your professional time and assistance with this matter.

Kim

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Transcription:

Yes, this is Walter R. Who are junior again, trying to find out the information. I ask you early. Apparently you don't want to tell me so. I'm going to call you until you do have a great day.

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May 10, 10:31 AM

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Transcription:

This would be Walter Hoover again, trying to give the information I ask you for, and this is falling under 9 appliance in my book, but i'm going to keep calling you till I get an answer. So,

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Rachel N. Shipp

From: Walter Hoover, Jr <whooverjr@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2023 7:28 PM
To: Claudia Piechota
Cc: Rachel N. Shipp
Subject: Re: 004168-065748-WC-01

Claudia,

I will need you to get the recordings from Dr. Gunter's office before we meet.

Date of calls: 02/28/22
Call times: between 9:37am-9:59am
Calls from: 803.394.3047

I want them played for Comissioner.

...and no one has told me that Dr. Tavel released me. How do you know and I don't?

On Wed, May 17, 2023, 6:26 PM Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com> wrote:
Mr. Hoover,

Every correspondence, including this one, voicemails, calls and why doctors discharged you will be submitted to the commission for our hearing.

We authorized treatment with Dr. Gunter and Dr. Tavel; however, your aggressive actions towards staff and the doctors have caused both to release you. At this point, my client would like the commission to address non compliance along with lowering your compensation rate.

Again, I kindly ask you to keep your thoughts and emails like above to yourself as they are inappropriate.

Thanks,
Sent from Mobile
Claudia J. Piechota

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From: Walter Hoover, Jr <whooverjr@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2023 6:11 PM
To: Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com>


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Cc: Rachel N. Shipp <rshipp@holplaw.com>
Subject: 004168-065748-WC-01

How long do you all plan to deliberately neglect my medical care? It is obvious your neglect is malicious and very intentional!

Claudia... even as an beginner/Associate Attorney, you know this is not acceptable!!

I AM IN PAIN!!! Somebody needs to get in touch with me asap!

Rachel N. Shipp

From: Walter Hoover, Jr <whooverjr@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 17, 2023 8:12 PM
To: Claudia Piechota
Cc: Rachel N. Shipp
Subject: Re: 004169-065746-WC-01 HOOVER JR, WALTER R

Again, I'd like the recorded calls from Dr. Gunter's office.

In fact, in your previous email (03/22/22), you said that the Form 21 you were submitting was in-part due to, and I quote "your spouse impersonating our Nurse Case Manager." You should also request that call. We can address them all while we are there.

Also, if you could send over the "final conversation encounter" sent to you from Dr. Tavel's office, that'd be great.

On Wed, May 17, 2023, 7:35 PM Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com> wrote:
See below-

Jordan, email below, is your telephonic nurse case manager as your last one also requested to be released due to your aggressive behavior.

Thanks,
Sent from Mobile
Claudia J. Piechota

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From: Nicole Isherwood <NIsherwood@painchas.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 11, 2023 9:51 AM
To: Jordan Koehler <Jordan_Koehler@gbtpa.com>
Cc: Lorianne Campbell <Lorianne_Campbell@gbtpa.com>
Subject: Re: 004169-065746-WC-01 HOOVER JR, WALTER R

Per our conversation, Dr. Tavel will be releasing or discharging this patient from our practice due to aggressive behavior. I will send the final conversation encounter that we have with patient. Please inform me if you need anything further. We are in the process of reaching out to the patient to inform him of this as well.

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Best Regards,

Nicole Isherwood

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From: Jordan Koehler <Jordan_Koehler@gbtpa.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 10, 2023 12:01 PM
To: Nicole Isherwood <Nisherwood@painchas.com>
Cc: Lorianne Campbell <Lorianne_Campbell@gbtpa.com>
Subject: 004163-065746-WC-01 HOOVER JR, WALTER R

Good morning,

I am the nurse case manager assigned to patient Walter Hoover Jr, DOB: 5/6/68.

I see per the notes that he was scheduled for an injection on 5/2/23. Can you provide the notes for this and also provide me with the next appointment date/time?

Thank you

Jordan Koehler BSN, RN, ODG Certified | Telephonic Case Manager | GBCARE | Gallagher Bassett

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Rachel N. Shipp

From: Walter Hoover, Jr <whooverjr@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2023 10:17 AM
To: Claudia Piechota; Rachel N. Shipp
Subject: Fwd: 004169-065746-WC-01 (Hoover)

****UPDATED****

Claudia,

Per Ashish in Gallagher Bassett's customer service Department (844.424.6457, Option 3), I need Lorraine, my adjuster, to provide the following documents/information promptly via email.

- 1.) History of ALL payments coming from Gallagher Bassett, along with the issue/payment dates, to include paper checks issued and direct deposits.
- 2.) History of ALL Claims Adjusters who have been assigned to my claim/case, to include the start and end date of each assigned Adjuster.
- 3.) History of ALL Nurse Case Managers assigned to my claim/case, to include the start and end dates of each assigned NCM.
- 4.) History of ALL Communications between my Nurse Case Manager and Gallagher Bassett/HPLP Law
- 5.) Any and ALL notes made on my file, to include all phone calls/inquiries that we have made to Gallagher Bassett Customer Service regarding my claim, mileage reimbursement, accessing the GBGo app, etc.
- 6.) Copy of Form 20 and ALL documents associated and/or used to calculate my compensation, from May 25, 2022 to current.
- 7.) The following referrals:
 - Dr. Davis > Dr. Gundu
 - Dr. Davis > Drayer Physical Therapy
 - Dr. Davis > Neurology
 - Dr. Davis > Pain Management

 - Dr. Gunter > Pain Management
 - Dr. Gunter > Physical Therapy
- 8.) ALL Notes from One Call, to include the notes from 02/24/23.
- 9.) Any and ALL communication/correspondance with my Health Care Providers to include any contact with my Drs, as well as any contact with their Nurses and/or other office staff.
- 10.) ALL recorded calls regarding the false accusations from Dr. Gunter's office, to include all calls made by me and the person you and Denise Seymour refer to as my "spouse."

Date of calls: 02/28/23

Call times: 9:37am-10:30am

Calls from: 803.394.3047

We are preparing for our appointment with the Commissioner and would like this promptly to review PRIOR to.

Rachel N. Shipp

From: Walter Hoover, Jr <whooverjr@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2023 11:20 AM
To: Claudia Piechota; Rachel N. Shipp
Subject: 004169-065746-WC-01 (Hoover)

Claudia,

I am noticing that Jordan started on my case over a week ago, May 10th, right? Is there a reason that as of yesterday, I am 1, just being notified that Jordan took over and 2, I have not had any contact with Jordan who is supposedly advocating for my care??? ...in over a week?

I have notified you directly more than once... I need to see a Neurologist as soon as possible! I am in excruciating pain!

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EXHIBIT 10

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From: Jordan Koehler <Jordan_Koehler@gbtga.com>

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 11:50 AM

To: Claudia Pischota <cpischota@hplplaw.com>; Lorianne Campbell <Lorianne_Campbell@gbtga.com>

Subject: FW: 004169-065746-WC-01 (Hoover)

FW – this is the email I have received from Walter and my response. He also has left me 3 voicemails.

Thank you.

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From: Jordan Koehler

Sent: Friday, May 19, 2023 10:50 AM

To: Walter Hoover, Jr <wahooverjr@gmail.com>

Subject: RE: 004169-065746-WC-01 (Hoover)

Good morning Walter,

I thank you for providing me information on your claim, I appreciate this. I am working with your adjuster and the attorney's office on a plan and am currently in the process of getting you scheduled to see a provider. Once I can get you scheduled with a provider I will provide an update on that appointment and we will take it each day from there moving forward. Unfortunately, most neurologists will not see a patient without most up-to-date imaging and a referral from another provider. With that being said, we must get you established with a doctor and then go from there. I hope this makes sense. If you have any questions do not hesitate to reach out.

Thank you,

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From: Walter Hoover, Jr <whooverjr@gmail.com>

Sent: Thursday, May 18, 2023 5:29 PM

To: Jordan Koehler <jordan_koehler@gbtpa.com>

Subject: 004169-065746-WC-01 (Hoover)

[EXTERNAL]

Jordan,

Full disclosure on my claim.

Back in August 2022, Dr. Davis, an authorized Workers Comp Physician, evaluated me for the injury which took place at Tractor Supply on 05/25/22. He ordered an MRI and noted injuries to L4 & L5. Once he exhausted his efforts (steroid & dry needling) he referred me to a Neurologist. This was back in August, 2022.

A long 6 months later, in January 2023, I saw Dr. Gunter, Neurologist. Dr. Gunter did an IME, however he refused to acknowledge the injuries to L4 & L5 that Dr. Davis discovered.

Dr. Gunter said, and I quote, "forget everything you've heard before today's appointment." ...and he would interrupt me and stop me any time I mentioned previous visits with Dr Davis.

In the office at my initial visit on Jan 6th, Dr. Gunter did the Fortin Finger Test and it was Positive SIJ, which was his diagnosis. He ordered a new MRI. During this initial appointment, Dr. Gunter acknowledged how painful my diagnosis was. He prescribed pain meds. This was the first relief I'd had since May 2022...

Unfortunately, his office staff lied to him and based on that, they released me and since my pain level stays at a 10/10. I've been forced into physical therapy and threatened that my benefits would stop if I didn't go. So I went as long as I could tolerate... and then some. Dr. Tavel's office eventually put PT on hold due to the increased pain.

Gallagher Bassett has tried to force me into risky steroid injections which were halted in by Dr. Gundu back in August 2022 (ordered by Dr. Davis) due to facial swelling, head/neck redness, profuse sweating and I had a headache for over a week... it was pure misery. I won't do it again.

Behind Dr. Gunter, I was seen again by Dr. Tavel, the Anesthesiologist. He did the most recent IME. During my most recent office visit on Tuesday April 25th, 2023, Dr. Tavel admitted that he's never known about the injuries to L4 & L5. I have this recorded on audio and am prepared to share this with the Commissioner.

All in all, I am writing to let you know that I expect ALL of my injuries to be assessed going forward, including the injuries identified by Dr. Davis (L4 & L5). This has yet to be addressed since seeing Dr. Davis in 2022. This needs addressing asap!

I am in severe pain and Claudia at the attorney's office, my Adjuster, Lorraine and my previous NCM, Randi, are all being very vexacious.

I need someone to hear me!!! I cannot live like this. I am in severe pain all day, every day. I am steadily gaining weight due to being inactive because of the pain, I cannot sleep and overall I am agitated and miserable all the time...

I did not ask to be here. I am asking you to come into this claim with a clear mind, because NO ONE has asked me my side yet. They just continue to ignore me and halt my care and are consistently negligent in handling my claim. (We have filed Form 50 and will address these issues with the Commissioner in the coming weeks.)

I need to see a Neurologist who will review ALL of my records and plan a course of treatment as soon as possible.

I am interested in discussing Plasma-Rich-Platelet Injections with a Neurologist in lieu of the Rhizotomy.

Please reach out to me if you have additional questions.

My number is 803.394.3047, but it is currently unavailable. Until further notice, please reach me at 803.622.0650.

Ricky

WALTER HOOVER, JR.,

Employee,

Claimant,

vs.

TRACTOR SUPPLY COMPANY,

Employer,

AND

STARR SPECIALTY INSURANCE COMPANY,

Carrier,

Defendants.

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The undersigned certifies that they are an employee of HOLDER PADGETT LITTLEJOHN + PRICKETT, LLC, and that they have served, on the date set forth below, a copy of the document described below, in the above entitled action to the following persons, pursuant to Section 15-9-930 and Section 15-9-940 of the Code of Law of South Carolina, 1976, by depositing a copy of same in the United States Mail, postage prepaid, addressed to, and/or emailed to:

TO: VIA US MAIL
Ms. Amy Bracy, Judicial Director
South Carolina Workers' Compensation Commission
Post Office Box 1715
Columbia, South Carolina 29202-1715

TO: VIA CERTIFIED MAIL
Mr. Walter Hoover, JR
6194 Dogwalla Rd
Whitmire, SC 29178
(VIA EMAIL: whooverjr@gmail.com)

DOCUMENT: Notice of Motion and Motion to Limit Communication

DATE OF
MAILING: May 22, 2023

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Rachel Shipp

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From: [Walter Hoover, Jr](#)
To: [Claudia Piechota](#)
Cc: [dianna.frye](#)
Subject: Re: Hoover (004169-065746-WC-01)
Date: Tuesday, October 3, 2023 3:46:24 PM

I would like to release the Nurse Case Manager on my claim.

I have missed appointments because she failed to notify me and she doesn't return emails or call when she says she will.

I haven't even heard from her since June 20th.

Please remove the Nurse Case Manager from my claim and let me know when my appointment is.

On Tue, Oct 3, 2023, 2:36 PM Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com> wrote:

Walter-

Dianna will be in contact with you regarding your appointment with Dr. Boyd.

Thank you,

CLAUDIA J. PIECHOTA

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From: Walter Hoover, Jr <whooverjr@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, September 29, 2023 9:30 AM
To: Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com>; dianna frye
<dfrye@fryecasemgt.onmicrosoft.com>; Lorianne Campbell
<Lorianne_Campbell@gbtpa.com>
Subject: Re: Hoover (004169-065746-WC-01)

Exactly, what is your intent?

You scheduled my Appointment with Lexington Brain and Spine back on August 16th and just decided NOT to notify me? ...knowing that I've begged you for this appointment for MONTHS and that live EVERYDAY in pain. You HAVE to do better than this!

Who is rescheduling this appointment? ...and can I get notified this time? ...or is that too much to ask????

On Thu, Sep 28, 2023, 7:37 AM Walter Hoover, Jr <whooverjr@gmail.com> wrote:

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Why don't yall keep in contact with me like you're supposed to?

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From: Walter Hoover, Jr
To: Claudia Piechota; dianna frye; Lorianne Campbell
Subject: Re: Hoover (004169-065746-WC-01)
Date: Thursday, October 12, 2023 10:02:48 AM

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Contact me directly regarding my appointments, etc.

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From: dianna.frye
To: whoeverjr@gmail.com
Subject: APPT
Date: Thursday, October 12, 2023 9:10:36 AM
Attachments: image001.png
Importance: High

Mr. Hoover,

You are scheduled to see Dr. Boyd at Lexington Brain and Spine on November 13, 2023 at 11:15 am.

Please bring imaging on a disc for the doctor to review.

Address 222 E. Medical Ln. Suite 200

West Columbia, SC 29169

Thank you

Dianna Frye RN.CCM. QRP

Senior Nurse Case Manager

Catastrophic Case Manager/Certified

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From: Claudia Piechota
To: Walter Hoover, Jr
Cc: Tanna Discher; dianna.frye
Subject: RE: APPT
Date: Sunday, October 15, 2023 7:23:00 PM

Mr. Hoover-

Your appointment with Dr. Boyd is an IME with the option to treat if he finds you require additional treatment.

Thank you,

CLAUDIA J. PIECHOTA

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From: Walter Hoover, Jr <whooverjr@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday, October 12, 2023 10:04 AM
To: Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com>; Lorianne Campbell
<Lorianne_Campbell@gbtpa.com>
Subject: Fwd: APPT

Is this a new IME or is Dr. Boyd "continuing care?"

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From: dianna frye <dfrye@fryecasemgt.onmicrosoft.com>
Date: Thu, Oct 12, 2023, 9:10 AM
Subject: APPT
To: whooverjr@gmail.com <whooverjr@gmail.com>

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To: [Claudia Piechota](#)
Cc: [dianna.frye](#); [Tanna Discher](#)
Subject: Re: Hoover (004169-065746-WC-01)
Date: Sunday, October 15, 2023 9:22:58 PM

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Subject: Re: Hoover (004169-065746-WC-01)
Date: Monday, October 16, 2023 10:22:23 AM

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Subject: Re: Hoover (004169-065746-WC-01)
Date: Monday, October 16, 2023 12:43:05 PM

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Subject: Re: Hoover (004169-065746-WC-01)
Date: Monday, October 16, 2023 1:23:12 PM

Excuse me? What is your problem?

YOU, YOURSELF, cc'd her in an email at 7:22pm last night. I did not and have not cc'd her, Claudia.

I have simply used the "Reply All" button, so before you get hateful and flapping your gums at me, you need to check yourself young lady.

On Mon, Oct 16, 2023, 12:59 PM Claudia Piechota <cpiechota@hplplaw.com> wrote:

Mr. Hoover-

Please stop ccing my client, Tanna. She is represented by me, and you are not to have direct communication with her. Again, you are welcome to address all of this at your upcoming hearing.

Thank you,

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Date: Tuesday, October 17, 2023 5:00:02 PM

I want the Nurse Case Manager removed from my Claim immediately! I feel that she is working against me and it is my right to have her removed.

I want her removed today, Claudia.

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Supplemental Record on Appeal

I certify that the substantive contents of the Supplemental Record on Appeal, consisting of the Full Commission hearing transcript and Respondents' complete APA submissions, were sent to Respondents' counsel by UPS Ground on July 6, 2026, and were delivered to counsel's office on July 7, 2026, at 10:08 a.m., as reflected in the UPS receipt and proof of delivery.

The bound copy being submitted to the Court contains the same substantive Supplemental Record materials, together with final cover, identification, index, and service-related pages.

Respondents' counsel is:

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I further certify that on July 29, 2026, I transmitted a courtesy electronic copy of the final Supplemental Record to Respondents' counsel in consecutively numbered PDF parts. Appellant respectfully requests that the Court authorize or accept that electronic transmission as the method of service for the final Supplemental Record.

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