

December 13, 2022



RE: Date of Birth: DOI: 1/8/2021

Anatomical Region: Right Elbow, Right Hand, and Right Wrist

Jurisdiction: MD

Line of Insurance: Workers Compensation

Subject: Independent Medical Evaluation

Dear Dr.

Thank you for examining for Genex Services on 12/23/22. Attached for your review are all available medical records.

Injured worker (IW) is a 54 year old full time General Labor. IW was lifting boxes when he struck his right elbow on a box truck. Claim was accepted for a contusion to the right elbow.

IW had right CTS surgery on 5-3-21. IW RTW at full duty on 5-17-21. IW was D/C from care on 5-11-21.

Medical:

Surgery was approved and paid. IW sought additional medical treatment. On 1-12-2022 IW stated he was still having pain in his right elbow and needed to have fluid drained. On 1-12-22 insured advised the IW was working full duty, no new injuries, no new incidents, no new WC Claims. No authorization of additional R CTS Surgery was granted. IW's diagnosis was pain in right elbow Osteoarthritis.

OV Atlantic General Health: 3-16-22: Pain in right arm. EMG/ Mild CTS right stated no evidence of cervical radiculopathy or ulnar nerve impingement at the right elbow. MRI right elbow: osteoarthritis.

Current Medical Treatment:

OV Atlantic General Health: 6-14-22. IW continues to complain of pain and numbness and tingling i his right index and thumb and right hand. Repeat EMG by Dr. on 8-3-22. chronic moderate R CTS despite past CT release. Consider B complex supplements and wrist bracing.

Claimant's attorney filed a claim amendment to add right hand and right wrist.

In your report, please specifically state that your response and/or findings are made within a reasonable degree of medical certainty. After the examination, please provide a detailed analysis on this patient and answer the following questions in your report. Please note that all responses should contain an explanation that includes current medical rationale to support your opinions. If a medical rationale is not included, the report will be returned for clarification.

- 1. What is the diagnosis as it correlates with your clinical findings?
- 2. Is the diagnosis solely related to right elbow, or also the right hand and right wrist.
- 3. Are the current pain complaints related to the original work injury?
- 4. Is the right hand and right wrist related to the original work injury?
- 5. If related, would surgery be needed, related, and necessary?



- 6. Please address if the cubital surgery is related to the original work injury.
- 7. Is the medical treatment to date related, reasonable, and necessary?
- 8. Based upon your examination is there objective medical data to substantiate the subjective complaints?
- 9. If so, please list:
 - Has the claimant reached maximum medical improvement (MMI)?
 - If not, what is the anticipated time frame for him to reach MMI?
 - Has the claimant reached his pre-injury base line status?
 - If he has not reached base line, then what is the reasonable amount of time until he does reach base line?
- 10. Please provide your recommendations as to what the treatment should be and estimated time it should last.
- 11. Please comment on any other information that you feel is relevant to this case.

Please list all posed questions in the report and respond to each in a Q&A format

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