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August 1, 2013

York Claims
Attention Claims Examiner
PO Box 619079
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RE: SANTILLAN, ROSARIO
Claim #: TWCS-1588

Inc. #: 156-238753
D.O.I.: 02/22/13
Employer: Premier Personnel Resources

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Additional pages attached

Patient Last Santillan First Rosario DOB 3/26/67 Date of Exam 8/01/13 Case #: 156238753

Occupation Packing SS# 620-20-3894 Date of Injury 2/22/13 Claim # TWCB-1588

Employer: PREMIER PERSONNEL RESOURC Contact: MARINA PADILLA Tel: (310) 515-2632 Fax: 310 515-5317

Claims Administrator YORK CLAIMS Tel: (877) 751-0133 Fax: 866 548-2637

REASON FOR SUBMITTING REPORT (Check all that apply. If any box aside from "Other" applies, this report qualifies as mandatory.)

- Change in patient's condition Need for referral or consultation Info. requested by: _____
 Change in work status Need for surgery or hospitalization Released from Care Request for Authorization
 Change in treatment plan Periodic Report (45 days after last report) Other: _____

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- Improved as expected Improved, but slower than expected Not improved significantly
 Worsened Reached plateau and no further improvement is expected Been determined to be non-work related

SUBJECTIVE COMPLAINTS (Document and describe significant complaints)

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OBJECTIVE FINDINGS (Document significant exam findings, lab, imaging, and other diagnostic testing)

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DIAGNOSES (Include ICD-9 code, if possible)

RSZ ?

TREATMENT

- Office Visit / Injury Treatment Start / Continue Therapy: _____ times / week for _____ weeks. Ergonomic Eval
 Start / Continue Chiro: _____ times / week for _____ weeks. Other: _____
 Meds / Supplies Dispensed _____
 Consultation / Referral Requested / Pending. Specialty: _____ Work status to be determined by specialist.

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Sensory Examination

Sensation is intact to light touch, pinprick and two-point discrimination in all dermatomes in the bilateral lower extremities.

Motor Strength Examination

	<u>Right</u>	<u>Left</u>
Hip flexors	5/5	5/5
Hip extensors	5/5	5/5
Hip abductors	5/5	5/5
Hip adductors	5/5	5/5
Knee flexors	5/5	5/5
Knee extensors	5/5	5/5
Ankle dorsiflexors	5/5	5/5
Ankle plantar flexors	5/5	5/5
Extensor hallucis	5/5	5/5

Deep Tendon Reflex Examination

	<u>Right</u>	<u>Left</u>
Knee jerks	2+	2+
Ankle jerks	2+	2+

Vascular Examination

The dorsalis pedis and posterior tibial pulses are 2+ bilaterally. The capillary refill is less than two seconds. The toes are warm and pink with good perfusion distally.

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Babinski sign	Negative
Hoffmann sign	Negative
Clonus	Negative

DIAGNOSTIC IMPRESSION

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DATE: _____

Have you had any of the following symptoms?

- | | | |
|---|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Headache | <input type="checkbox"/> Visual Disturbances | <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty Speaking |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Difficulty with Swallowing | <input type="checkbox"/> Weakness | <input type="checkbox"/> Numbness |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bowel Incontinence | <input type="checkbox"/> Bladder Incontinence | <input type="checkbox"/> Stomach Pain |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heartburn | <input type="checkbox"/> Bleeding Ulcers | <input type="checkbox"/> Hemorrhoids |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Inflammatory Bowel Disease | <input type="checkbox"/> Irritable Bowel Disease | <input type="checkbox"/> Nausea |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vomiting | <input type="checkbox"/> Chest Pain | <input type="checkbox"/> Chest Pain at Rest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chest Pain with Activity | <input type="checkbox"/> Chest Pain with Breathing | <input type="checkbox"/> Coughing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coughing Up Blood | <input type="checkbox"/> Fevers | <input type="checkbox"/> Chills |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Night Sweats | <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Weight Loss | <input type="checkbox"/> Recent Weight Gain |

1-How would you describe your PAIN DULL ACHING SHARP STABBING BURNING

2-On the scale of 1-10 (10 being the worst pain ever) what would you rate your pain range 8

3-What makes the symptoms WORSE standing for too long

4-What makes the symptoms BETTER recline forward

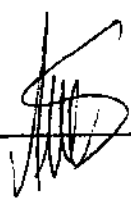
5-Are there any Radiating or Shooting Symptoms, if yes where do the symptoms radiate: NO

6-Are you BETTER, WORSE, or the SAME from the last visit

Please detail any of the above symptoms or any other new symptoms that may concern you.

BP: 100/60 Temp: 99.4 Resp: 15 Pulse: 60

Please be sure to see your primary care non-industrial physician for positive review of systems and vital signs.

PATIENT SIGNATURE: 

DATE: 8/1/13

INTERPRETER:
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