

Medical Report - RTA Report

Section 1 - Claimant Details

1.1 Claimant's Name

Mr.Robert Smith

1.2 Date of Birth

01-01-1990

1.3 Address

101, Duck St, Preston, Lancashire, UNITED KINGDOM

1.4 Gender

Male

1.5 Age (At the time of the Incident)

34Years

1.6 Date of Accident

02-10-2024

Section 2 - Expert Details

2.1 Medical Expert

Dr.Sam Smith, General Practice, Consultant

2.2 Regulatory

GMC - 1234567

2.3 Medco Registration

7788/5

Section 3 - Instruction Details

3.1 Agency

Q Star Agency (1234567)

3.2 Insurance

Claims Insurance (7890678)

3.3 Medco Reference

12345/35

3.4 Review of Records

Urgent Care, Radiology, GP

Section 4 - Appointment Details

4.1 Time spent

60 Minutes

4.2 Date of Report

06-11-2024

1.Accident Details

1.1 Road Traffic Accident

The claimant was stationary in their car on a main road, waiting to proceed, when another vehicle collided with the rear of their car. The impact was unexpected and forceful, causing the claimant's vehicle to lurch forward abruptly. The sudden jolt led to a forward and backward whipping motion, as the claimant was restrained by the seatbelt.

2.Past Medical History

2.1 Road Traffic Accident

The claimant was involved in a previous RTA in 2005 and sustained injuries to neck and back then subsequently recovered from his injuries.

2.2 Anxiety

The claimant has an ongoing anxiety symptoms over the past 5 years and takes medications.

3. Injuries

3.1 Neck

The claimant developed neck pains within 24 hours of the accident. The pain was worse for a few days and currently mild to moderate.

3.2 Back - Lower

Developed upper back pains 24 hours after the accident. The symptoms are getting worse and having restrictions in doing day today tasks.

3.3 Right Shoulder

Developed right shoulder pain and discomfort within 24 hours and currently getting worse. The recalls hitting the side door.

3.4 Anxiety

The claimant's pre-existing anxiety symptoms became worse after accident and has fears of being back in the car and worries about someone hitting from the back.

4. Employment

4.1 Taxi Driver

The claimant is employed as a Taxi driver at the time of the index accident. The claimant reported no change in the employment after the accident. The claimant did not take time off work due to the accident. He reduced his working hours due to the discomfort.

5. Home and Social

5.1 Home

The claimant lives with family at home. The claimant stated that regular household works has been restricted and needing help from family. The claimant has severe pain at the back whilst lifting and bending activities.

5.2 Social

The claimant had missed a birthday party due to the accident. The claimant's back was very stiff and unable to travel.

6. Treatments

6.1 Medications

The claimant has been taking over the counter medications such as paracetamol and ibuprofen for the symptoms.

6.2 Accident and Emergency

The claimant visited the local Burnley General Hospital and was advised to take over the counter medications.

6.3 Physiotherapy

The claimant has undergone 5 physiotherapy sessions for the symptoms and the treatments are ongoing.

7.Examination

7.1 General Physical Examination

In my observation, the Claimant was not tearful, not agitated, good eye contact, good rapport, time and place orientation, and showed signs of no psychotic features, no delusional ideas, and no thought disorder. Communication was normal. Claimant was not using any walking aids.

7.2 Neck

The claimant exhibited 80% of normal range of movements to flexion, extension and left lateral rotation with pain at the extremes. Tenderness to para cervicals and right trapezius.

7.3 Back

Examination of the back exhibited restrictions of 80% movements to flexion. Extension was not possible due to severe pain. Lateral flexions were 50% of normal and painful. The spine did not show any abnormality. Tenderness noted over para lumbar region.

7.4 Right Shoulder

Examination of the right shoulder exhibited 20% of restrictions to abduction and Adduction. Flexion and Internal and External rotations were 90% of normal. Tenderness noted over anterior joint line and over the deltoid.

8.Prognosis

8.1 Neck

In my opinion, the Claimant's symptoms are due to a Whiplash Injury. On the balance of probabilities, they are attributable to the index accident.

I would recommend to continue with the Physiotherapy sessions as recommended by the therapist.

In my opinion on the balance of probabilities, the claimant to recover within 6 months from the date of the accident. I would recommend a further examination by an Orthopaedic consultant, if the symptoms persist beyond the prognosis period.

OIC Tarrif - Applicable (YES)

8.2 Back - Lower

In my opinion, the Claimant's symptoms are due to a Whiplash Injury. On the balance of probabilities, they are attributable to the index accident.

I would recommend to continue with the Physiotherapy sessions as recommended by the therapist.

In my opinion on the balance of probabilities, the claimant to recover with in 6 months from the date of the accident. I would recommend a further examination by an Orthopaedic consultant , if the symptoms persist beyond the prognosis period.

OIC Tarrif - Applicable (YES)

8.3 Right Shoulder

In my opinion, the Claimant's symptoms are due to a Whiplash Injury. On the balance of probabilities, they are attributable to the index accident.

I would recommend to continue with the Physiotherapy sessions as recommended by the therapist.

In my opinion on the balance of probabilities, the claimant to recover with in 6 months from the date of the accident. I would recommend a further examination by an Orthopaedic consultant , if the symptoms persist beyond the prognosis period.

OIC Tarrif - Applicable (YES)

9. Medical Records

9.1 Accident and Emergency

The review of records confirms entries about the index accident at Burnkey General Hospital.

10. Opinion

10.1 Future

Long Term Complications : In my professional opinion, it is unlikely that the claimant will develop long-term complications as a direct result of the index accident.

Exceptional Injuries Claimed : Yes

Exceptional Injuries Awarded : Yes

Exceptional Circumstances Claimed : Yes

Exceptional Injuries / Circumstances : Pain and restrictions due to the accident

11. Soft Tissue Injury Claim

11.1 Soft Tissue Injury Claim

The claimant was an occupant of a Motor vehicle : YES
(Exclude – Pedestrians, Motorcyclist and Cyclist)

The claim satisfies as a Soft Tissue Injury : Yes

Is this the first report in relation to the client's injuries from the index accident : Yes

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12. Case Declaration

12.1 Case Declaration

I have not provided treatment for the claimant.

I am not associated with any person who has provided treatment.

I have not recommended a particular treatment provider.

Reference

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Declaration

I understand that my overriding duty is to the court, both in preparing reports and in giving oral evidence. I have complied and will continue to comply with that duty.

I am aware of the requirements of Part 35 and practice direction 35, the protocol for instructing experts to give evidence in civil claims and the practice direction on pre-action conduct.

I have set out in my report that I understand from those instructing me to be the questions in respect of which my opinions as an expert are required.

I have done my best, in preparing this report, to be accurate and complete. I have mentioned all matters, which I regard as relevant to the opinions I have expressed. All of the matters on which I have expressed an opinion lie within my field of expertise.

I have drawn to the attention of the court all matters, of which I am aware, which might adversely affect my opinion. Wherever I have no personal knowledge, I have indicated the source of factual information.

I have not included anything in this report, which has been suggested to me by anyone, including the lawyers instructing me, without forming my own independent view of the matter. Where, in my view, there is a range of reasonable opinion, I have indicated the extent of that range in the report.

At the time of signing the report I consider it to be complete and accurate. I will notify those instructing me if, for any reason, I subsequently consider that the report requires any correction or qualification.

I understand that this report will be evidence that I will give under oath, subject to any correction or qualification I may make before swearing to its veracity.

I have included in this report a summary of my instructions.

I have not entered into any agreement where the amount of payment of my fee is in any way dependant on the outcome of the case.

Statement of Truth

I confirm that I have made clear which facts and matters referred to in this report are within my own knowledge and which are not. Those that are within my own knowledge I confirm to be true. The opinions I have expressed represent my true and complete professional opinions on the matters to which they refer.

I understand that proceedings for contempt of court may be brought against anyone who makes, or causes to be made, a false statement in a document verified by a statement of truth without an honest belief in its truth.

Training and Accreditation

Attended MedCo Training 2024 Jan.

Date and Signature



(Electronically signed) 06-11-2024

Dr. Sam Smith, MBBS, MRCGP, General Practice, Consultant

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