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RE: ANDERSON, TIFFANY VS. SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY MOSQUITO & VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT

WCAB NO.:

1) ADJ7004221; 2) ADJ7004227; 3) ADJ7010682; 4)

ADJ7976768

VE0700184 **CLAIM NO.: OUR FILE NO.:** 300141-040

DATE OF LOSS:

1) 6/19/08 2) 7/2/09 3) 3/26/09; 4) 6/29/11

Dear Dr. Eck:

As you will recall, you were treating Ms. Tiffany Anderson regarding a right knee contusion.

On July 18, 2011, you released her to full duty with no limitations or Afterwards, she changed treaters to Dr. Murata. performed a right knee MRI of August 9, 2011 (enclosed). Subsequently, Dr. Murata issued a report on August 16, 2011 where he reviews the MRI.

Dr. Murata indicates the MRI show no internal derangement about the medial side. There is a possible recurrent tear of the lateral meniscus.

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Under assessment, Dr. Murata reports "recurrent tear, lateral meniscus, however, her symptoms are located anterior medial. This occurred after a new injury to her knee June 29, 2011, when she struck a large metal post."

Dr. Murata goes on to note that her symptoms do not specifically correlate with the MRI findings and believes she is a candidate for physical therapy. He places her on modified work.

I have also included reports from Dr. Shaw. Dr. Shaw took over treatment for the applicant on April 23, 2011, yet appears to have resigned on July 12, 2011 (reports enclosed).

Dr. Shaw reports on May 20, 2011, "she is very somatically focused that the knee is not better."

On July 12, 2011, Dr. Shaw reports, "Although the patient reports an interval change since her last appointment with an aggravation of her prior knee injury I can not tell there is any change."

I think it is also important to consider that she was treating with Dr. Shaw on at least two occasions prior to her June 29, 2011 right knee contusion claim with San Joaquin County Mosquito & Vector Control District. In addition, pursuant to Dr. Shaw, the applicant is obtaining narcotic pain medications from another source (possibly Kaiser).

Following the June 29, 2011 right knee incident, she continued working full duty during the course of your treatment up through August 16, 2011.

REQUESTED OF YOU:

Basically, there are treatment reports from Dr. Shaw that existed prior to your treatment of the applicant. Then, after you released her to full duty, she went to Dr. Murata and obtained an MRI. As pointed out, the MRI may have shown a possible recurrent tear of the lateral meniscus pursuant to Dr. Murata. Yet, her symptoms do not specifically correlate with the MRI findings.

After reviewing this information, is it still your medical opinion the applicant can work full duty with out any limitations or restrictions?

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Thank you for your professional courtesy in this matter.

Very truly yours,

STOCKWELL, HARRIS, WOOLVERTON & MUEHL

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Enclosures: Medical File (1/6/11 through 8/26/11)

cc: Ms. Tiffany Anderson (with enclosures)

Ms. Mackenzie Dawson, AIMS Insurance (without enclosures)