**FIELD REPORT**

**CASE MGR:** Jane Nittler, R.N., C.C.M

**REPORT DATE:** 08/20/21

**CLIENT:** Gallagher Bassett

**CLAIMANT:** Hector Ortiz

**REPORT PERIOD:** 07/24/21 - 08/20/21

**CURRENT DIAGNOSIS:**

Dx: Fracture Left Ankle with ORIF 05/10/21 and 05/13/21.

**JOB DESCRIPTION AND WORK STATUS:**

Mr. Ortiz is employed at Penske as a forklift driver. He is currently off work status post left ankle fracture.

**SUBJECTIVE:**

Mr. Ortiz reported that he had continued dressing changes every other day with application of Prisma each dressing change. He has attended his scheduled therapy sessions and reported that everything went well.

**OBJECTIVE:**

CM called and discussed outcome of the appointment on 08/18/21 with Dr. Abyar and the appointment with Dr. Gonzalez for wound care on 08/20/21.

**ASSESSMENT:**

On 08/18/21, CM called the injured worker and confirmed the appointment with Dr. Abyar scheduled for that date at 2:10 pm.

CM called the patient and explained that I could not make the trip to Laredo on that date.

CM called both Dr. Abyar and the patient following the appointment with Dr. Abyar. Dr. Abyar had placed the patient in a different walking boot and cleared him for full weight bearing. He sent a prescription to the therapist to advise regarding weight bearing and range of motion exercises. The wounds were still open but much smaller in diameter and depth. He clarified that the fracture was fully healed, but they were expecting closure of the wounds within the next three weeks. Dr. Abyar kept the patient off work pending healing of the wounds.

On 08/20/21, after the appointment with Dr. Gonzalez, CM called and spoke with the patient and his wife. Dr. Gonzalez had performed mechanical debridement on that date and advised to continue with dressing changes every other day.

The next appointment for wound care was scheduled for 08/27/21 at 9:30 am.

The next appointment with Dr. Abyar was scheduled for 09/30/21 at 11 am.

The patient is also scheduled to see Dr. Solis, the AP, on 08/30/21 at 10:15 am.

**PLAN:**

Treatment Plan:

1. Patient recommended for follow up with Dr. Gonzalez for wound care on 08/27/21 at 9:30 am.
2. Patient scheduled for visit with Dr. Abyar on 09/30/21 at 2:10 pm.
3. Patient scheduled for his next visit with Dr. Solis on 08/30/21 at 11 am.
4. Patient recommended to progress to full weight bearing as tolerated.
5. Patient recommended for therapy to continue for range of motion exercises and weight bearing.

Patient confirmed understanding of the treatment plan. No questions or concerns were expressed. Patient agreed to call CM if he had any questions or concerns when he returned home.

Case Management Plan:

1. CM will follow up by phone with the patient and Dr. Gonzalez on 08/27/21.
2. CM will attend appointment with Dr. Abyar on 09/30/21 in order to discuss release to return to work.
3. CM will continue to follow up with the therapist for updates.
4. CM will update the adjuster with status.