

Request for Spine Consultation

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Patient Name: _____

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Referral for: Cervical Spine Thoracic Spine Lumbar Spine Second Opinion

Duration: less than six weeks between 6-12 weeks more than 12 weeks (please specify) _____

Severity: interferes with work interferes with home life interferes with sports/leisure activities

PRESENTING SIGNS & SYMPTOMS (Please check all that apply and indicate/draw on the diagrams below. Be specific.)

Weakness	R L	Numbness/tingling	R L	Pain	Front	Back
<input type="checkbox"/> improving		<input type="checkbox"/> improving		<input type="checkbox"/> improving		
<input type="checkbox"/> stable		<input type="checkbox"/> stable		<input type="checkbox"/> stable		
<input type="checkbox"/> worsening		<input type="checkbox"/> worsening		<input type="checkbox"/> worsening		
<input type="checkbox"/> Spasticity						

RED FLAGS none

- bowel/bladder discharge (sudden sphincter dysfunction)
- severe trauma
- progressive paraparesis/quadruparesis/neurology

- unexplained weight loss, fever, chills
- saddle anesthesia without bowel/bladder discharge
- acute pain not eased by recumbent position
- incremental non-relenting pain

▶ If patient presents any of the above, please send to nearest emergency room.

▶ If any of these are present, please page Spine on-call at Hamilton Health Sciences.

INVESTIGATIONS Please indicate investigations done and forward results with referral.*

X-Ray CT MRI Bone Scan EMG Other: _____

TREATMENTS TO DATE

NSAIDs _____ months physiotherapy times _____
 opioids _____ months injections specify _____
 neuropathic _____ months pain clinic times _____ Other: _____

PMHx (please check all that apply)

spine deformity/scoliosis previous spine surgery cancer inflammatory arthritis osteoporosis

COMMENTS _____

REFERRING PHYSICIAN Name _____ Fax _____
STAMP or COMPLETE License# _____ Email _____
Specialty _____ Signature _____
Telephone _____ Date _____

* Please note that all medical records/history must be faxed/mailed prior to scheduled appointment. All films must be couriered or brought by patient for scheduled appointment. Hamilton Health Services or St. Joseph's are on PACs.

Please inform your patient that if these are not available, the appointment will be rescheduled.