
Discharge Summary Joint Commission

Patient Name: John Doe

Patient ID: 123456789

Admission Date: May 10, 2024

Discharge Date: May 20, 2024

Admitting Physician: Dr. Jane Smith

Discharge Physician: Dr. Jane Smith

Hospital Name: General Hospital

Reason for Admission:

Acute appendicitis

History of Present Illness:

Patient presented to the ER with severe lower abdominal pain, nausea, and vomiting. Diagnosis confirmed via CT scan.

Major Surgical or Invasive Procedure:

Appendectomy performed on May 11, 2024.

Hospital Course:

Post-operative recovery was uneventful. Antibiotics and pain management were administered. The patient responded well to treatment with no complications.

Condition at Discharge:

Stable – the patient is feeling well with pain controlled by oral medications.

Medications on Discharge:

- Acetaminophen 500 mg every 6 hours as needed for pain
- Amoxicillin 500 mg every 12 hours for 7 days

Allergies:

No known drug allergies

Follow-up Care:

Follow-up appointment with Dr. Jane Smith on May 30, 2024, at the General Hospital Outpatient Clinic.

Diet:

Regular diet as tolerated.

Activity:

No heavy lifting or strenuous activity for 4 weeks. Gradual return to normal activity as tolerated.

Instructions for Patient/Caregiver:

- Watch for signs of infection at the surgical site.
- Keep the wound dry and clean.
- Report any fever, increased pain, or redness around the incision site.

Summary of Counseling Provided to Patient/Caregiver:

The patient and caregivers were educated about the signs of potential complications, medication management, and the importance of follow-up care.

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Primary Care Physician – Dr. Emily White