

Progress Notes

Date 7/31/08 Card went to the BU memo  
8/18/08 Wgt. = 222# BP 118/80 (2/age cap) P-76 req.  
Flu visit today. SSalice UK

PATIENT NAME: Michael Elbery  
DATE OF VISIT: 8/18/2008

DOB: 2/8/52

PROBLEM: possible chemical inhalation

SUBJECTIVE: patient says he woke from sleep well but worse possible odor and it made him sick. He believes there was a cloud of poison near his window. He was not able to see anything, he went to the emergency room driving himself there but says he was passing out. In the emergency room all testing was negative. They declined to do any blood tests. Patient is reluctant to report this to the police although he does think it is an attack on him.

OBJECTIVE: 222 pounds BP 118/80 pulse 76, he appears well.

ASSESSMENT: possible chemical inhalation, there may be some paranoia here but it is impossible to tell.

PLAN: he was a bit agitated and I tried to reassure him but I believe unsuccessfully. He requested a blood test to see if they can find anything unusual in his blood and I agreed. Otherwise a return visit will be as previously scheduled.

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8/22/08 10:30 AM patient called complain of vague systemic symptoms. I offered further evaluate for toxicity (LFT's, etc) but he declined. He wants to find out what "poisoned" him. He implies that I might be involved with this "attack". I contacted Poison Control & no testing was recommended at this point. Cyanide would have been lethal or leave no trace at this time. Delusion & Paranoia persist by this patient. He made no specific threats to me but was "threatening". I do not plan to contact the patient again. If he becomes belligerent will contact police / and/or crisis team.

9/2/08 I have called Poison Control + Dr Spatz at BMC. No obvious test to order.