

# Fibromyalgia Medical Assessment Form

Patient Name: *Dana Capaldi*

Date of Birth: *02/02/1974*

Social Security #: *999-11-0101*

Please respond to the following questions about your patient's fibromyalgia and other impairments. Your answers should be based on the evidence in your patient's file and on your personal contact with and observations of the patient.

## Section A: Medical History

1. What date did you begin treating the patient?

*July 11, 2021*

2. How frequently do you see the patient (weekly/bi-weekly/monthly)?

*Monthly until February 8, 2023, and then bi-weekly since that date.*

3. What is the date of your last appointment with the patient?

*September 29, 2024*

4. Does your patient meet the diagnostic criteria for fibromyalgia under the 1990 American College of Rheumatology (ACR) Criteria for the Classification of Fibromyalgia or the 2010 ACR Preliminary Diagnostic Criteria?  Yes  No

5. Does your patient experience widespread pain?  Yes  No

6. Does your patient experience signs of chronic fatigue syndrome?  Yes  No

7. Please indicate all of your patient's symptoms:

self-reported short-term memory impairment

self-reported concentration impairment

tender cervical lymph nodes

tender axillary lymph nodes

multi-joint pain without redness or swelling

recurrent and severe headaches

shortness of breath

post-exertional malaise exceeding 24 hours

sore throat

muscle pain

unrefreshing sleep

chronic pain

irritable bowel (IBS)

carpal tunnel syndrome

vestibular dysfunction

menstrual disorders

visual difficulties  
 diffuse muscle pain  
 leg cramps or restless legs  
 depression or anxiety

hypothyroidism  
 orthostatic intolerance  
 paresthesia  
 Sjogren's syndrome

8. Does your patient allege a specific onset date?  Yes  No

If yes, what was the specific onset date of the symptoms?

*Ms. Capaldi reported experiencing these symptoms for five months before establishing medical treatment with our practice.*

9. Have these symptoms lasted for at least three months?  Yes  No

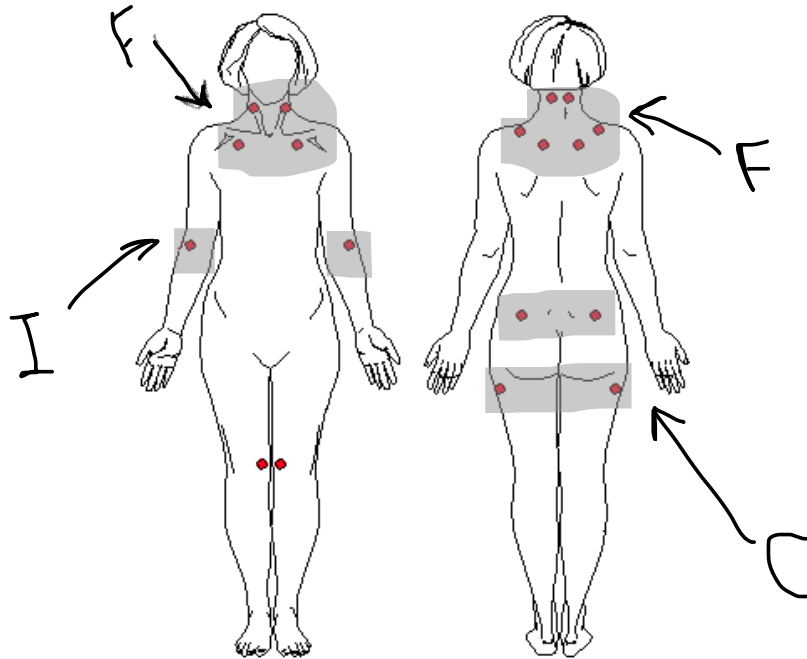
10. Are these symptoms related to emotional factors?  Yes  No

11. If your patient experiences chronic pain or paresthesia, please indicate the severity of the pain or paresthesia:  mild  moderate  severe

12. Please indicate which of the following trigger points were positive with pain upon digital palpitation (of at least nine pounds pressure):

|   |   |
|---|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (L) shoulder girdle           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (R) shoulder girdle           |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (L) upper arm                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (R) upper arm                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (L) lower arm                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (R) lower arm                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (L) hip (buttock, trochanter) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (R) hip (buttock, trochanter) |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (L) upper leg                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (R) upper leg                 |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (L) lower leg                 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (R) lower leg                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (L) jaw                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> (R) jaw                                  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> upper back                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> lower back                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> chest                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> abdomen                                  |

13. Please indicate the location of your patient's pain by shading the relevant body area on the diagram below. Please also label the frequency of the pain as constant (C), frequent (F), or intermittent (I):



14. Please indicate any positive objective signs of your patient's impairment:

- |  |  |   |
|--|--|---|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SLR (left at 55%)  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> tenderness     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> weight change         |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SLR (right at 55%) | <input type="checkbox"/> crepitus                  | <input type="checkbox"/> joint warmth                     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> sensory changes    | <input type="checkbox"/> joint changes             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> reflex changes        |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> spasm              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> impaired sleep | <input type="checkbox"/> atrophy                          |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> muscle weakness    | <input type="checkbox"/> poor appetite             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> motor loss            |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> abnormal gait      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> reduced ROM    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> joint instability     |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> chronic fatigue    | <input type="checkbox"/> joint deformity           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> reduced grip strength |
| other: _____   |  |   |

15. Please identify any other positive clinical findings and test results (for example, myelogram, MRI, CT scans, EMG/NCS, blood or other laboratory results):

*Ms. Capaldi underwent a nerve conduction study on January 30, 2023, that demonstrated significant latency in her ulnar and sciatic nerves.*

16. Have all other possible causes of your patient's symptoms been ruled out?  Yes  No

If yes, what laboratory testing or imaging studies were performed to rule out other causes?

Ms. Capaldi underwent an X-ray and MRI of the cervical and lumbar spine to rule out degenerative disc disease. The results showed only mild degeneration of the vertebra, which wouldn't explain Ms. Capaldi's significant signs and symptoms.

## Section B: Functional Limitations

17. Does your patient have limitations in their ability to stand?  Yes  No

If yes, please circle the number that best describes the total amount your patient can stand in an 8-hour workday:

Less than 2 hours

2 hours

4 hours

6 hours

What is the longest your patient can stand at one time before they need to sit down (in minutes or hours)?

*Between 15 to 30 minutes, depending on the day.*

18. Does your patient have limitations in their ability to walk?  Yes  No

If yes, please circle the number that best describes the total amount your patient can walk in an 8-hour workday:

Less than 2 hours

2 hours

4 hours

6 hours

What is the longest your patient can walk at one time before they need to sit down (in minutes, hours, or distance)?

*Ms. Capaldi can walk about a quarter of a mile on even ground before she needs to sit down and relieve pain in her legs.*

Does your patient require an ambulatory aid, such as a walker or cane?  Yes  No

*I haven't yet prescribed Ms. Capaldi an ambulatory aid, but I have witnessed her leaning against walls for support while standing and she reports using a walking stick in her daily life.*

19. Does your patient have limitations in their ability to sit?  Yes  No

If yes, please circle the number that best describes the total amount your patient can sit in an 8-hour workday:

Less than 2 hours

2 hours

4 hours

6 hours

What is the longest your patient can sit at one time before they need to get up (in minutes or hours)?

*Between 30-45 minutes, depending on the day.*

20. Does your patient have limitations on lifting and carrying?  Yes  No

If yes, please circle the number that best describes the heaviest amount, in pounds, that your patient can *occasionally* (up to 1/3 of the workday) lift or carry:

Less than 10#

10#

20#

50#

100#

Please circle the number that best describes the heaviest amount, in pounds, that your patient can *frequently* (up to 2/3 of the workday) lift or carry:

Less than 10#

10#

20#

50#

100#

21. Does your patient need to be able to change positions at will?  Yes  No

If yes, how often do you think your patient will need to shift positions during the workday?

*If she is working upright, I believe Ms. Capaldi would need to sit down on average every 20 minutes for about 5 to 10 minutes at a time.*

22. Does your patient need to be able to lie down during the day?  Yes  No

If yes, how often do you think your patient will need to lie down during the day and for how long?

*If she is working while seated, I believe Ms. Capaldi would need to lie down for about 15 minutes after every hour of work in hour to relieve pain in her back.*

23. Does your patient need to be able to elevate their legs?  Yes  No

If yes, how long does your patient need to elevate their legs for and at what height (e.g., at waist level)?

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24. Please check the box that best describes how often your patient can perform the following actions in an 8-hour workday:

|               | Rarely or Never<br>(very little, if at all) | Occasionally<br>(up to 1/3 of the day) | Frequently<br>(1/3-2/3 of the day) |
|---------------|---|--|------------------------------------|
| Twist         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>         | <input type="checkbox"/>               | <input type="checkbox"/>           |
| Bend          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>         | <input type="checkbox"/>               | <input type="checkbox"/>           |
| Crouch        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>         | <input type="checkbox"/>               | <input type="checkbox"/>           |
| Climb stairs  | <input type="checkbox"/>                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/>           |
| Climb ladders | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>         | <input type="checkbox"/>               | <input type="checkbox"/>           |
| Kneel         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>         | <input type="checkbox"/>               | <input type="checkbox"/>           |
| Crawl         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>         | <input type="checkbox"/>               | <input type="checkbox"/>           |

25. Does your patient have limitations in the upper extremities?  Yes  No

If yes, please check the box that best describes how often your patient can use their arms, hands, and fingers to perform the following activities:

|                    | Rarely or Never<br>(very little, if at all) | Occasionally<br>(up to 1/3 of the day) | Frequently<br>(1/3-2/3 of the day) |
|--------------------|---|--|------------------------------------|
| Reaching overhead  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>         | <input type="checkbox"/>               | <input type="checkbox"/>           |
| Reaching laterally | <input type="checkbox"/>                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/>           |
| Handling           | <input type="checkbox"/>                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/>           |
| Fingering          | <input type="checkbox"/>                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/>           |
| Feeling            | <input type="checkbox"/>                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/>           |
| Grasping           | <input type="checkbox"/>                    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    | <input type="checkbox"/>           |

26. Are your patient's symptoms exacerbated by exposure to certain environmental conditions?  Yes  No

If yes, please check the box that best describes how often your patient should come into contact with the following factors:

|                | Avoid<br>All<br>Exposure            | Avoid<br>Concentrated<br>Exposure   | Avoid<br>Moderate<br>Exposure | No<br>Restrictions                  |
|----------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Extreme cold   | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>      | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Extreme heat   | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>      | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Wetness        | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>      | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Humidity       | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>      | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Noise          | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Fumes or gases | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Hazards        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>      | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Heights        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input type="checkbox"/>      | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

27. Do your patient's symptoms affect the ability to concentrate or maintain attention?

Yes \_\_\_ No

If yes, please circle the percentage of the workday that best represents how often these symptoms are severe enough to interfere with tasks:

5%      10%      15%      20%      25%      Over 25%

28. Do your patient's symptoms result in "good days" and "bad days"?

Yes \_\_\_ No

29. Would your patient's symptoms or treatment result in absences from work?  Yes \_\_\_ No

If yes, please circle the amount that best represents how often your patient would miss work per month:

Less than one day    One day    Two days    Three days    More than three days

30. Does your patient take any medications that affect their ability to work?

Yes \_\_\_ No

If yes, please identify what activities your patient should avoid as a result of these medications or their side effects:

*Ms. Capaldi takes muscle relaxants that can cause drowsiness and impair coordination.*

### Section C: Professional Observations

31. Has your patient cooperated with your treatment recommendations?

Yes \_\_\_ No

If not, please explain why your patient was unable to follow the recommended treatment:

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32. Does your patient have a history of drug or alcohol abuse?  Yes  No

If yes, would your patient's symptoms exist or persist despite drug or alcohol use?  
 Yes  No

33. Does your patient exaggerate symptoms?  Yes  No

34. Do you expect the patient's limitations to last at least one year?  Yes  No

35. On what date did these limitations begin?

*I believe these limitations were present when I began treating Ms. Capaldi on July 11, 2021.*

36. In your opinion, are your patient's limitations reasonably consistent with the objective medical evidence and physical evaluations as a whole?  Yes  No

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