Writing Test 1 – Doctors

Time allowed: 40 minutes

Read the case notes below and complete the writing task which follows.

Patient History: Tony Castellano is a patient at your General Practice.

20.03.07
Subjective: 52 year old council truck driver.
Drinks 6-10 beers per night
Ex smoker
Exercises 3 times a week
Generally in good shape

Objective: BP 140/100
Ht - 184cm Wt – 88kg

06.12.08
Subjective: Involved in serious car crash at work
Admitted to Ryde Hospital
Multiple FRX

Objective: X-Rays show compacted comminuted FRX in L tibia
Compacted FRX in L and R ulna and radius
Simple FRX in L and R trapezoid, trapezium and triquestral (carpal bones)
Morphine administered IV

23.01.09
Subjective: Titanium alloy implants – tibia, ulnar and radius FRX
Patient recovering from debridement surgery
L leg in traction

15.06.09
Subjective: Infection in L tibia - hospital time prolonged
Antibiotics administered
Patient in severe pain
Muscle atrophy

Objective: Imaging results show L and R wrist & arm FRX
recovering
Writing Task

Using the information provided in the case notes, write a referral letter to Dr. Mark Kazarkian, 760 Macquarie Street, Sydney, 2000, an orthopedic surgeon specialising in wrist and hand treatment.

In your answer:

- Expand the relevant case notes into complete sentences.
- Do not use note form.
- The body of the letter should be approximately 200 words.
- Use correct letter format.