# PHYSIOTHERAPEUTIC EVALUATION OF THE PELVIC FLOOR IN RELATION TO PELVIC SYMPTOMS AND DYSFUNCTIONS

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#### **GENERAL ANAMNESIS sent for evaluation for CPPS**

Given the complexity of the patient's clinical history, the complete anamnesis evaluation will be sent by email Currently reports:

Main site of pain: root of the penis shaft

Irradiation of pain to right ischium, buttock, lumbosacral region, coccyx anal sphincter

Characteristics of pain: burning, compressive, feeling of fullness, not present at night, increases during the day and reaches its peak in the middle of the afternoon, remaining constant until the evening. If wearing tight underwear, in a sitting position

The pain decreases when walking, in a clinostatic position on the left side (in a supine position pain in the right buttock), with cold compresses

## Weight Height BMI

85 1.83 25.38

Profession currently not working and unable to study due to pain

Smoking yes

Diet free

Correlations with visceral function:

## LOWER URINARY TRACT SYMPTOMS (LUTS)

Filling/emptying phase LUTS: urinary intervals correlatable with fluids introduced, denies symptoms urgency or burning during the micturition phase pre-micturition hesitation, dysuria, sensation of incomplete bladder emptying sporadic use of abdominal pressure, no nocturia

### INTESTINAL FUNCTION AND RECTAL ANUS

Diagnosis of IBS since childhood, tendency to diarrhoea which in recent years has evolved into symptoms attributable to

occasional constipation due to obstructed defecation, defecation is generally daily sensation of complete emptying blistering, particularly in the right perineal/anal area

**SEXUAL FUNCTION** pain increases after ejaculation difficulty reaching the orgasmic phase

### **OBJECTIVE EXAMINATION**

Functional evaluation of the pelvic floor muscles

When asked to contract voluntarily, no voluntary movement is seen, only a minimal attempt at recruitment anal level

Allodynia at the level of the right perineal eminence

Positive trigger of the psoas muscle, respiratory diaphragm blocked during inhalation, compression of the pre-vesical aponeurosis and inguinal ligaments on the right painful.

Anal reflex not evoked latent bulbocavernosus reflex

Evaluation and mapping of the trigger points of the superficial perineal muscles is carried out Assessment of NFC: normotonic, painful on compression, not evoked voluntary contraction

Active trigger points in the superficial transverse muscles and right bulbocavernosus + ischiocavernosus bilaterally

Coccygeal++ on the right, very painful compression of the obturator membrane in particular on the right, positive

Thiele manoeuvre right++

Palpation of the obturators and piriformis muscles evokes pain that is however described as liberating as is the passive stretch in counter-traction of the superficial transverse muscle

On endocavitary evaluation, the anal tone is not increased, compression of the pubo visceral muscle is painful, in particular the pubo prostatic, the tendon arch of the anus elevator bilaterally and the compression of the sacrotuberous ligament are painful

The patient could benefit from treatment aimed at inhibiting the known trigger points, improve muscle proprioception and stiffness learning self-treatment exercises and stretching. The patient is informed that this approach can only lead to a slight improvement in muscle symptoms, as manual therapy alone cannot act on the origin of the pain .

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I was very pleased to take care of your client and remain available for any further clarification.

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