

Texas Department of Insurance

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MEDICAL FEE DISPUTE RESOLUTION FINDINGS AND DECISION

GENERAL INFORMATION

<u>Requestor Name</u> Memorial Compounding Pharmacy Respondent Name

Box Number 19

AIG Assurance Company

Carrier's Austin Representative

MFDR Tracking Number

M4-18-2914-01

MFDR Date Received

April 16, 2018

REQUESTOR'S POSITION SUMMARY

<u>Requestor's Position Summary</u>: "The above claimant received medication as prescribed by referral provider."

Amount in Dispute: \$555.68

RESPONDENT'S POSITION SUMMARY

Respondent's Position Summary: "The bill was reviewed on February 23, 2018 where there was no recommended allowance because of product/service not covered. Based on the information we have at this time, it is the Carrier's position that the medications filed on 11/28/2017 by Memorial Compounding Pharmacy are not owed."

Response Submitted by: AIG

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Dates of Service	Disputed Services	Amount In Dispute	Amount Due
November 28, 2017	Pharmaceutical Compound	\$555.68	\$555.68

FINDINGS AND DECISION

This medical fee dispute is decided pursuant to Texas Labor Code §413.031 and applicable rules of the Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation.

Background

- 1. 28 Texas Administrative Code §133.307 sets out the procedures for resolving medical fee disputes.
- 2. 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.503 sets out the fee guidelines for pharmaceutical services.
- 3. The insurance carrier reduced payment for the disputed services with the following claim adjustment codes:
 - Product/Service Not Covered

Issues

Is Memorial Compounding Pharmacy (Memorial) entitled to reimbursement for the disputed compound?

Findings

Memorial is seeking reimbursement for a compound dispensed on November 28, 2017. The services in question are covered under 28 TAC §134.503.

The compound in dispute was billed by listing each drug included in the compound and calculating the charge for each drug separately.¹ Each ingredient of the compound is listed below with its reimbursement amount.² The calculation of the total allowable amount is as follows:

Drug	NDC	Generic(G)	Price /Unit	Units	AWP	Billed Amt	Lesser of AWP
		/Brand(B)		Billed	Formula		and Billed
Baclofen	38779038809	G	\$35.63	5.4	\$240.50	\$190.78	\$190.78
Amantadine	38779041105	G	\$24.23	3	\$90.84	\$72.69	\$72.69
Gabapentin	38779246109	G	\$59.85	3.6	\$269.33	\$204.66	\$204.66
Bupivacaine	38779052405	G	\$45.60	1.2	\$68.40	\$54.72	\$54.72
Amitriptyline	38779018904	G	\$18.24	1.8	\$41.04	\$32.83	\$32.83
						Total	\$555.68

The total allowable reimbursement for the compound in dispute is \$555.68. This amount is recommended.

Conclusion

For the reasons stated above, the Division finds that the requestor has established that additional reimbursement is due. As a result, the amount ordered is \$555.68.

ORDER

Based on the submitted information, pursuant to Texas Labor Code Section 413.031 and 413.019 (if applicable), the division has determined the requestor is entitled to additional reimbursement for the disputed services. The division hereby ORDERS the respondent to remit to the requestor \$555.68, plus applicable accrued interest per 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.130, due within 30 days of receipt of this order.

Authorized Signature

Signature

Laurie Garnes Medical Fee Dispute Resolution Officer August 2, 2018

Date

¹ 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.502(d)(2)

² 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.503(c)

YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL

Either party to this medical fee dispute has a right to seek review of this decision in accordance with Rule §133.307, effective May 31, 2012, *37 Texas Register 3833*, applicable to disputes filed on or after June 1, 2012.

A party seeking review must submit a **Request to Schedule a Benefit Review Conference to Appeal a Medical Fee Dispute Decision** (form **DWC045M**) in accordance with the instructions on the form. The request must be received by the division within **twenty** days of your receipt of this decision. The request may be faxed, mailed or personally delivered to the division using the contact information listed on the form or to the field office handling the claim.

The party seeking review of the MFDR decision shall deliver a copy of the request to all other parties involved in the dispute at the same time the request is filed. **Please include a copy of the** *Medical Fee Dispute Resolution Findings and Decision* together with any other required information specified in 28 Texas Administrative Code §141.1(d).

Si prefiere hablar con una persona en español acerca de ésta correspondencia, favor de llamar a 512-804-4812.