

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

**Carrier's Austin Representative** 

Box Number 19

American Zurich Insurance Company

## MFDR Tracking Number

M4-19-4614-01

MFDR Date Received

June 24, 2019

# REQUESTOR'S POSITION SUMMARY

Requestor's Position Summary: "The claim was denied for (PARTIAL PAYMENT)."

Amount in Dispute: \$74.56

## **RESPONDENT'S POSITION SUMMARY**

**<u>Respondent's Position Summary</u>:** "This bill was received and paid in accordance with Memorial's PBM contract. The Carrier was informed by the PBM (Timesys) that this bill was paid on May 10, 2019."

Response Submitted by: Flahive, Ogden & Latson

#### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Dates of Service	Disputed Services	Amount In Dispute	Amount Due
February 1, 2018	Acetaminophen/Codeine #3 Tablets	\$74.56	\$0.00

## 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.

#### Issues

Is Memorial Compounding Pharmacy (Memorial) entitled to additional reimbursement?

#### **Findings**

Memorial is seeking additional reimbursement for Acetaminophen/Codeine #3 tablets dispensed on February 1, 2018.

Requests for medical fee dispute resolution (MFDR) may not be filed later than one year after the date of service.<sup>1</sup> Exceptions to this filing deadline are limited to issues of compensability, extent of injury, or liability; medical necessity; or a request for refund.<sup>2</sup>

The request for MFDR was received on June 24, 2019. This is more than one year after the date of service. No evidence was presented that this dispute meets one of the exceptions set forth. For this reason, Memorial has waived the right to MFDR.

#### **Conclusion**

Signature

For the reasons stated above, the DWC finds that the requestor has not established that additional reimbursement is due. As a result, the amount ordered is \$0.00.

### ORDER

Based on the submitted information, pursuant to Texas Labor Code Section 413.031, the DWC hereby determines the requestor is entitled to \$0.00 additional reimbursement for the services in dispute.

#### Authorized Signature

 Laurie Garnes
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 Medical Fee Dispute Resolution Officer
 Date

August 16, 2019

## 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.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> 28 Texas Administrative Code §133.307(c)(1)(A)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 28 Texas Administrative Code §133.307(c)(1)(B)