MEDICAL FEE DISPUTE RESOLUTION FINDINGS AND DECISION

GENERAL INFORMATION

<u>Requestor Name</u> <u>Respondent Name</u>

Texas Health Denton Accident Fund National Insurance Co

Carrier's Austin Representative

MFDR Tracking Number

M4-20-0767-01

Box Number 6

MFDR Date Received

November 25, 2019

REQUESTOR'S POSITION SUMMARY

Requestor's Position Summary: "The purpose of this letter is to inform you that payment for services provided to the above referenced patient does not comply with Chapters 134.403 and 134.404 of Texas Administrative Code."

Amount in Dispute: \$130.77

RESPONDENT'S POSITION SUMMARY

Respondent's Position Summary: None submitted.

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Dates of Service	Disputed Services	Amount In Dispute	Amount Due
July 18, 2019 July 30, 2019	97110 97140	\$130.77	\$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 §134.403 sets out the reimbursement guidelines of outpatient hospital services.
- 3. The insurance carrier reduced payment for the disputed services with the following claim adjustment codes:
 - 906 In accordance with clinical based coding edits

<u>Issues</u>

Is the insurance carrier's denial of payment supported?

Findings

The requestor is seeking reimbursement for outpatient physical therapy rendered on July 2019 based on the NCCI edits.

28 TAC §134.403(d) requires Texas workers' compensation system participants to apply Medicare payment policies in effect on the date a service is provided for coding, billing, reporting, and reimbursement of health care.

Review of the NCCI edits found at www.cms.gov finds edits exist between 97110 and 97760 for date of service July 18, 2019 and between 97140 and 97763 on July 30, 2019.

The insurance carrier's denial is supported. No additional payment is recommended.

Conclusion

In resolving disputes over reimbursement for medically necessary health care to treat a compensable injury, the role of DWC is to adjudicate payment following Texas laws and DWC rules. The findings in this decision are based on the evidence available at the time of review. Even though not all the evidence was discussed, it was considered.

For the reasons above the requestor has not established payment 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 division hereby determines the requestor is entitled to \$0.00 additional reimbursement for the services in dispute.

Authorized Signature

		January 23, 2020	
Signature	Medical Fee Dispute Resolution Officer	Date	

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 DWC within **twenty** days of your receipt of this decision. The request may be faxed, mailed or personally delivered to DWC 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 TAC §141.1(d).

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