



# TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

## Division of Workers' Compensation - Medical Fee Dispute Resolution (MS-48)

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### MEDICAL FEE DISPUTE RESOLUTION FINDINGS AND DECISION

#### GENERAL INFORMATION

**Requestor Name**

MEMORIAL COMPOUNDING RX

**Respondent Name**

SAFETY NATIONAL CASUALTY CORP

**MFDR Tracking Number**

M4-20-1516-01

**Carrier's Austin Representative**

Box Number 19

**MFDR Date Received**

February 18, 2020

#### REQUESTOR'S POSITION SUMMARY

**Requestor's Position Summary:** "These medication due not require preauthorization therefore do not need a retrospective review."

**Amount in Dispute:** \$100.27

#### RESPONDENT'S POSITION SUMMARY

Submitted documentation does not include a position statement from the respondent. Accordingly, this decision is based on the information available at the time of adjudication.

#### SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Dates of Service	Disputed Services	Amount In Dispute	Amount Due
November 15, 2019	Sertraline HCl 100 mg tablets	\$100.27	\$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 (DWC).

**Background**

- 28 Texas Administrative Code §133.307 sets out the procedures for resolving medical fee disputes.
- 28 Texas Administrative Codes §§134.530 and 134.540 set out the requirements for preauthorization of pharmaceutical services.
- The insurance carrier denied payment for the disputed drug based on preauthorization.

**Issues**

Is Memorial Compounding Rx (Memorial) entitled to reimbursement for the drug in question?

**Findings**

Memorial is seeking reimbursement for Sertraline HCl 100 mg tablets dispensed on November 15, 2019. The insurance carrier denied payment based on preauthorization.

The DWC finds that Sertraline HCl requires preauthorization under certain circumstances. Memorial failed to support that this drug was exempt from preauthorization requirements. Therefore, Memorial is not entitled to reimbursement for this drug.

**Conclusion**

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**

		April 28, 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 the DWC within **twenty** days of your receipt of this decision. The request may be faxed, mailed or personally delivered to the 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 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.**