MEDICAL FEE DISPUTE RESOLUTION FINDINGS AND DECISION GENERAL INFORMATION

Requestor Name

BAPTIST EMERGENCY HOSPITAL

Respondent Name

CHUBB INDEMNITY INSURANCE CO

MFDR Tracking Number

M4-21-0783-01

Carrier's Austin Representative

Box Number 17

MFDR Date Received

JANUARY 19, 2021

REQUESTOR'S POSITION SUMMARY

"Previously the bill was processed by CHUBB INSURANCE and denied for timely filing. THE WORKERS COMPENSATION INFORMATION WAS NOT PROVIDED TO US UNTIL 04/08/2020."

Disputed Amount: \$823.45

RESPONDENT'S POSITION SUMMARY

"CorVel asserts the requestor Baptist Emergency Hospital is entitled to \$0.00 reimbursement for durable medical equipment in dispute based on the requestor's failure to request medical fee dispute resolution no later than one year after the date of service in dispute."

Response Submitted By: Corvel

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Dates of Service	Disputed Services	Amount In Dispute	Amount Due
May 2, 2018	Outpatient Hospital Services	\$823.45	\$0.00

FINDINGS AND DECISION

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

Background

- 1. 28 Texas Administrative Code (TAC) §133.307, effective May 31, 2012, sets out the procedures for resolving medical fee disputes.
- 2. The services in dispute were reduced / denied payment by the respondent with the following claim adjustment reason codes:
 - Effective 9/1/05, providers have 95 days to submit bills to the insurance carrier for reimbursement.
 Your bill exceeds this limit. Reimbursement is denied in accordance with Section 408.027 of the Act.

- 234-This procedure is not paid separately.
- 29-Time limit for filing claim/bill has expired.
- · RM2-Time limit for filing claim has expired.
- P14-Paymet is included in another svc/procdre occurring on same day.
- 25-Separte E&M Service, same physician.
- 59-Distinct procedure service
- RN-Not paid under OPP, services included in APC rate.

<u>Issue</u>

Is date of service May 2, 2018 eligible for Medical Fee Dispute Resolution (MFDR) in accordance with 28 TAC §133.307?

Findings

- 1. The requestor is seeking medical fee dispute resolution in the amount of \$823.45 for hospital outpatient services rendered on May 2, 2018.
- 2. 28 TAC §133.307(c)(1) states: "Timeliness. A requestor shall timely file the request with the DWC's MFDR Section or waive the right to MFDR. The DWC shall deem a request to be filed on the date the MFDR Section receives the request. A decision by the MFDR Section that a request was not timely filed is not a dismissal and may be appealed pursuant to subsection (g) of this section. (A) A request for MFDR that does not involve issues identified in subparagraph (B) of this paragraph shall be filed no later than one year after the date(s) of service in dispute."
- 3. The DWC reviewed the submitted documentation and finds:
 - The request for medical dispute resolution was received in MFDR on January 19, 2021.
 - The disputed date of service is May 2, 2018.
 - The disputed services do not involve issues identified in §133.307(c)(1)(B).
 - One year from May 2, 2018 is May 2, 2019.
 - The requestor did not file this dispute with the DWC's MFDR Section within the one-year deadline set out in 28 TAC §133.307.

Conclusion

The DWC finds that the requestor has waived the right to medical fee dispute resolution for the services in dispute, as addressed in 28 TAC §133.307(c)(1) and (c)(1)(A). For that reason, the merits of the issues raised by the parties to this dispute for those dates have not been addressed.

ORDER

Based upon the documentation submitted by the parties and in accordance with the provisions of Texas Labor Code §413.031, the DWC has determined that the requestor is entitled to \$0.00 reimbursement for the services in dispute.

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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 28 Texas Administrative Code §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 MDR decision shall deliver a copy of the request to all other parties involved in the dispute at the same time the request is filed with the DWC. **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.