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Medical Fee Dispute Resolution Findings and Decision

General Information

Requestor Name

Memorial Compounding

Pharmacy

MFDR Tracking Number

M4-22-0690-01

DWC Date Received

December 9, 2021

Respondent Name

Metropolitan Transit Authority

Carrier's Austin Representative

Box Number 15

Summary of Findings

Dates of Service	Disputed Services	Amount in Dispute	Amount Due
September 9, 2021	52817-0330-50	\$155.93	\$0.00
September 9, 2021	67877-0320-05	\$88.42	\$0.00
September 9, 2021	62175-0118-43	\$259.90	\$0.00
	Total	\$504.25	\$0.00

Requestor's Position

...the carrier cannot change from the original denial.

Amount in Dispute: \$504.25

Respondent's Position

Per the attached EOBs and copy of check number 2000022363, this bill was timely paid per fee guidelines and mailed to the proper address.

Response Submitted by: Flahive Ogden & Latson

Findings and Decision

Authority

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

Statutes and Rules

- 1. 28 TAC §133.307 sets out the procedures for resolving medical fee disputes.
- 2. 28 TAC §134.530 sets out the fee guidelines for oral medications.

Denial Reasons

The insurance carrier reduced the disputed services with the following adjustment codes.

- 91 Dispensing fee adjustment
- 18 Exact duplicate claim/service

Issues

1. What rule(s) apply to disputed services?

<u>Findings</u>

- 1. The requestor is seeking reimbursement for oral medication dispensed in September 2021.
 - The insurance company provided evidence of \$426.69 payment on September 20, 2021. The service in dispute will be reviewed per applicable fee guideline.
 - 28 Texas Administrative Code §134.503 (c) states the insurance carrier shall reimburse the health care provider or pharmacy processing agent for prescription drugs the lesser of the fee established by the following formulas based on the average wholesale price (AWP) as reported by a nationally recognized pharmaceutical price guide or other publication of pharmaceutical pricing data in effect on the day the prescription drug is dispensed:
 - Generic drugs: ((AWP per unit) x (number of units) x 1.25) + \$4.00 dispensing fee per prescription = reimbursement amount;

Drug	NDC	Generic(G) /Brand(B)	Price /Unit	Units Billed	AWP Formula	Billed Amt	Lesser of AWP and Billed
Cyclobenzaprine	52817033050	G	1.64	60	\$127.40	\$155.93	\$127.40
Ibuprofen	67877032005	G	0.51	60	\$42.65	\$88.42	\$42.65
Omeprazole	62175011843	G	3.37	60	\$257.00	\$259.90	\$257.00
						\$504.25	\$427.05

The total reimbursement is \$427.05. The insurance carrier paid \$426.69. No additional payment is recommended.

Conclusion

The outcome of this medical fee dispute is based on the evidence presented by the requestor and the respondent at the time of adjudication. Though all evidence may not have been discussed, it was considered.

DWC finds the requester has not established that additional reimbursement is due.

Order

Under Texas Labor Code §§413.031 and 413.019, DWC has determined the requestor is not entitled to additional reimbursement for the disputed services.

Authorized Signature

		March 30, 2022		
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 under 28 TAC §133.307, which applies to disputes filed on or after **June 1, 2012**.

A party seeking review must submit DWC Form-045M, Request to Schedule, Reschedule, or Cancel a Benefit Review Conference to Appeal a Medical Fee Dispute Decision (BRC-MFD) and follow the instructions on the form. You can find the form at www.tdi.texas.gov/forms/form20numeric.html. DWC must receive the request within **20 days** of when you receive this decision. You may fax, mail, or personally deliver your request to DWC using the contact information on the form or the field office handling the claim. If you have questions about DWC Form-045M, please call CompConnection at 1-800-252-7031, option 3 or email CompConnection@tdi.texas.gov.

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

Si prefiere hablar con una persona en español acerca de ésta correspondencia, favor de llamar a 1-800-252-7031, opción 3 o correo electronico CompConnection@tdi.texas.gov.