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# Medical Fee Dispute Resolution Findings and Decision

#### **General Information**

**Requestor Name** 

Peak Integrated Healthcare

**Respondent Name** 

Carolina Casualty Insurance Co

**MFDR Tracking Number** 

M4-22-1209-01

**Carrier's Austin Representative** 

Box Number 19

**DWC Date Received** 

February 21, 2022

## **Summary of Findings**

Dates of Service	Disputed	Amount in	Amount
	Services	Dispute	Due
October 29, 2021	97110-GP	\$107.84	\$000
November 19, 2021	97110-GP	\$107.84	\$0.00
	Total	\$215.68	\$0.00

### **Requestor's Position**

The requestor did not submit a position statement but did submit a copy of their reconsideration that states, "The above dates of service were denied again due to "previously paid." This is incorrect. We have not been paid for these dates and codes of service."

**Amount in Dispute: \$215.68** 

## **Respondent's Position**

"Our initial response to the above referenced medical fee dispute is as follows: we have escalated the bills in question for manual review to determine if additional monies are owed. Supplemental response will be provided once the bill auditing company has finalized their review."

Response submitted by: Gallagher Bassett

### **Findings and Decision**

### <u>Authority</u>

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.

#### **Denial Reasons**

The insurance carrier denied the payment for the disputed services with the following claim adjustment codes:

- 90147 Clam not covered by this payer/contractor. You must send the claim to the correct payer/contractor
- 109 Claim not covered by this payer/contractor. You must send the claim to the correct payer/contractor
- ZK10 A payment or denial has already been recommended for this service

#### <u>Issues</u>

Is the insurance carrier's denial supported?

### <u>Findings</u>

1. The requestor is seeking reimbursement of physical therapy services rendered in October and November of 2021. The insurance carrier denied the charges as not covered by this payer.

Review of the original explanation of benefits in December 2021 found the claims were denied as not covered by this payer/contractor. The explanation of benefits for the reconsideration in February of 2022 indicates the charges were previously reviewed.

DWC Rule 28 TAC §133.307(c)(N)(i) states in pertinent part the request must include a position statement of the disputed issue(s) that shall include the requestor's reasoning for why the disputed fees should be paid.

Review of the submitted documentation found insufficient evidence from the requestor to support the claim was submitted to the correct workers' compensation payer. The insurance carrier's denial is supported. No 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		
		May 23, 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 <a href="www.tdi.texas.gov/forms/form20numeric.html">www.tdi.texas.gov/forms/form20numeric.html</a>. 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.