

Specialty Independent Review Organization

## PATIENT CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

The patient is a X with date of injury of X who presents with X pain. The patient has had X. Also, the patient reports X is experiencing X. An X reveals a X. Physical exam shows X. Sensation X

## ANALYSIS AND EXPLANATION OF THE DECISION INCLUDE CLINICAL BASIS, FINDINGS, AND CONCLUSIONS USED TO SUPPORT THE DECISION:

Per ODG, X is recommended to X, thereby facilitating progress in more active treatment programs, and avoiding surgery, but this treatment alone X. As per medical report dated X, patient complained of X. As per medical report dated X it was noted that the patient X. Although the patient tried X. Also, the pain was relieved by medications. Furthermore, no more than X. In addition, X are not recommended X. Per evidence-based guidelines, and the records submitted, this request is not medically necessary.

A DESCRIPTION AND THE SOURCE OF THE
SCREENING CRITERIA OR OTHER CLINICAL BASIS
USED TO MAKE THE DECISION:
ACOEM- AMERICAN COLLEGE OF
OCCUPATIONAL & ENVIRONMENTAL MEDICINE
UM KNOWLEDGEBASE
AHRQ- AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE
<b>RESEARCH &amp; QUALITY GUIDELINES</b>
DWC- DIVISION OF WORKERS
COMPENSATION POLICIES OR GUIDELINES
EUROPEAN GUIDELINES FOR MANAGEMENT
OF CHRONIC LOW BACK PAIN
INTERQUAL CRITERIA
MEDICAL JUDGEMENT, CLINICAL
EXPERIENCE, AND EXPERTISE IN ACCORDANCE
WITH ACCEPTED MEDICAL STANDARDS
MERCY CENTER CONSENSUS CONFERENCE
GUIDELINES
ODG- OFFICIAL DISABILITY GUIDELINES &
TMF SCREENING CRITERIA MANUAL
MEDICAL LITERATURE (PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION)
VALID, OUTCOME
FOCUSED GUIDELINES (PROVIDE A
DESCRIPTION)