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PATIENT CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

The member is a X who was X. X also had X injury. On X, X had X. X was discharged to X. On X, X began X. On X, X developed X. X developed X. X was started on X. X attended X. On X, X began X. X reported X. X was continued on X.

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

The member is requesting X. X appears to X. Clinical trials have found mixed results on the X. It is primarily used to X. The member does not meet medical necessity criteria for X.

The member is treated with X. ODG guidelines recommend this as second line treatment. It is for X. None of the above diagnoses are noted in the records to meet medical necessity for X.

X is used for X. X does meet medical necessity criteria starting this medication, but there is no documentation of ongoing use and treatment efficacy. The medical necessity is for this medication is not demonstrated. ODG criteria do not support above use.

ODG X.

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Therefore, I have determined the requested X are not medically necessary for treatment of the patient's medical condition.

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 RESEARCH & QUALITY GUIDELINES
- 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
- MILLIMAN CARE GUIDELINES
- ODG- OFFICIAL DISABILITY GUIDELINES & TREATMENT GUIDELINES
- PRESSLEY REED, THE MEDICAL DISABILITY ADVISOR
- TEXAS GUIDELINES FOR CHIROPRACTIC QUALITY ASSURANCE & PRACTICE PARAMETERS
- TMF SCREENING CRITERIA MANUAL
- PEER REVIEWED NATIONALLY ACCEPTED MEDICAL LITERATURE (PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION)
- OTHER EVIDENCE BASED, SCIENTIFICALLY VALID, OUTCOME FOCUSED GUIDELINES (PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION)