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PATIENT CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

The claimant is a X who suffered a X injury on X. X has undergone X. The claimant has been treated with X since at least X and has regularly seen X physician, who is an orthopedic and rehabilitation specialist. The claimant was noted at X visit with X physician a X reduction in pain while being treated with X. The urine drug screen was XX for X on X. The claimant is also being treated with X. The claimant previously was treated with X.

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

There is not clear documentation that the claimant has had a significant improvement in functional status while being treated with X. There is also insufficient documentation of failure of X. The ODG does not directly reference this medication but does not recommend any X. In summary, X 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
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	S
TMF SCREENING CRITERIA MANUAL	
PEER REVIEWED NATIONALLY ACCEPTED MEDICAL LITERATURE (PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION	1)
OTHER EVIDENCE BASED, SCIENTIFICALLY VALID, OUTCOME FOCUSED GUIDELINES (PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION) Physicians' Desk Reference, 2019 edition	
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