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DATE OF REVIEW: X

IRO CASE # X

DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICE OR SERVICES IN DISPUTE:

X.

A DESCRIPTION OF THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR EACH PHYSICIAN OR OTHER HEALTH CARE PROVIDER WHO REVIEWED THE DECISION

M.D. Board Certified in X.

REVIEW OUTCOME

Upon independent review the reviewer finds that the previous adverse determination/adverse determinations should be:

X

PATIENT CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

The patient is a X who sustained a work injury on X. X has been diagnosed with X. X most recent office note states X continues to have X. X exam was only X which are also documented in prior office notes as well. X has been treated with X. X was documented to have X. X had an MRI performed X and a CT X



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performed X. These both demonstrated X. X has had an EMG as well that was read as X. Per the office notes there have been discussions about X at this point as well. The request at this point is for a X.

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

Per ODG references, the requested "X is not medically necessary. The patient meets criteria from X is not certified.

**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 KNOWLEDGE BASE
- AHCPR- 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



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- 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