CASEREVIEW

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IRO REVIEWER REPORT

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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:

This physician is a Board-Certified X with over X years of experience including X.

REVIEW OUTCOME:

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

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Provide a description of the review outcome that clearly states whether **medical necessity exists** for **each** of the health care services in dispute. X

PATIENT CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

The claimant is a X. Prior treatment consisted of a X.

On X, the claimant presented to X, MD. There was documentation of X. The

claimant had X. The claimant primarily had X. The claimant also had some more X. Physical exam revealed X. The remainder of the exam was unremarkable. Assessment: X. Plan: X.

On X, X, MD performed a UR. Rationale for Denial: This claimant has a long history of X. Previous X are reported to have provided X. There is no mention of any X. Without evidence of X are not supported. This request is not medically necessary.

On X, Dr. X wrote a letter of appeal. He reported the X were on X which gave X. After the X. An X was also noted from X. An appeal was made for the adverse determination for X.

On X, X, MD performed a UR. Rationale for Denial: The claimant was X. The pain was X. The X were on X. After the X, the claimant X. An X was also noted from X. X in medically necessary.

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

Based on the records submitted and peer-reviewed guidelines this request is certified. The claimant was X. The pain was X. The X were on X which gave X. After the X. An X was also noted from X. ODG criteria is met, and X is 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 JUDGMENT, CLINICAL EXPERIENCE, AND EXPERTISE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACCEPTED MEDICAL STANDARDS

MERCY CENTER CONSENSUS CONFERENCE GUIDELINES

MILLIMAN CARE GUIDELINES

ODG- OFFICIAL DISABILITY GUIDELINES & TREATMENT GUIDELINES

PRESLEY 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)