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IRO REVIEWER REPORT

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IRO CASE #: X

DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICE OR SERVICES IN DISPUTE:

Repair for right rotator cuff, preoperative tests (CBC, CMP, EKG)

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

The Reviewer is a Board-Certified X with over X years of experience

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.

PATIENT CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

The claimant is a X with date of injury of X. The biomechanics of the injury was not available in the medical records.

X: MRI X. Showed X.

X: Clinical Record by X, MD. X reported X pain. Examination of the X demonstrated

X. X has been denied.

X: UR performed by X, MD. Rationale for denial: The provided documentation reveals evidence of X. There are X examination findings of an X. Based on the available information and ODG recommendations, the request for X is not medically necessary.

X: UR performed by X, MD. Rationale for denial: The claimant complained of X. Treatment to date included X. Therefore, medical necessity has not been established.

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

The request for X is denied.

This patient injured X in X. X MRI demonstrated X. The treating provider has recommended X.

The Official Disability Guidelines (ODG) supports X. The ODG requires X. X candidates have X.

The patient does not have X. The recent MRI demonstrates X. It is unclear whether the patient has completed a X.

Therefore, the request for X is found to be not medically necessary.

U8A 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)