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**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 X. X was diagnosed with a X. X has a X. Per the X. On exam X had an X. X had X. X had X. It is reported that X has been X. The X of X is not noted. X is currently at X. The current request is for a X. Requests 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. With the X. This would go along with the patient X. With this being the case, the patient does not meet the ODG criteria for X. The documentation also does not say X. Given that X has X.

For these reasons, the current request for a X is not certified. Given that the X is not certified the associated requests for X are also 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

- 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