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EMPLOYEE CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

The claimant is a X who sustained a work related injury on X. The mechanism of injury was not documented in records provided. Progress Note by X, MD dated X documented the claimant reported X that X described as X. The claimant rated X pain X and stated it occasionally radiated into X. Objective findings on examination by Dr. X included significant X. Dr. X diagnosed the claimant with pain in X. The claimant's medication consisted of X. Dr. X documented the claimant had X. Dr. X recommended the claimant undergo X.

Prior denial letter from X dated X denied the request for X. The patient has X. Normal X examination. No positive X tests documented. Currently treated with medical management. A successful peer-to-peer call with X, MD ... We discussed the patient medical history along with the guidelines and request in detail. No additional information provided during peer to peer. Therefore, the request for X is not medically necessary and appropriate."

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

This is a X sustained a work related injury on X and the request is for X.

According to ODG Treatment/Disability Guidelines, X. Additionally ODG states X are "not recommended X for X." In this case, a thorough review of the medical records submitted reveals the claimant complained of X. The documented exam findings were significant for X. There was no documentation of X exam

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maneuvers/tests or other findings to confirm the source of pain to the X. Furthermore, there were X.

Therefore, based on the ODG guidelines and criteria and the clinical documentation stated above, it is the professional opinion of this reviewer that the request for coverage of X is not medically necessary and appropriate.

A DESCRIPTION AND THE SOURCE OF THE SCREENING CRITERIA OR OTHER CLINICAL BASIS USED TO MAKE THE DECISION:

ODG- OFFICIAL DISABILITY GUIDELINES & TREATMENT GUIDELINES

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