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PATIENT CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]: The patient is a X whose date of injury is X. The patient experienced X. The patient underwent X. X underwent X. MRI of the X revealed at X. There is X. At X. There is X. The previously demonstrated X. There is X. X. There is X. The patient underwent X. Office visit note dated X indicates that the patient complains of X. X presents following X. Pain is rated as X. Patient received X. On X examination X. X is X. X and X are X. X was X. Assessment notes X. The patient was recommended for X. Office visit note dated X indicates that X has undergone X. X has X. X underwent X which gave X significant relief of greater than X of X. Even though the patient has complained of X, X surprisingly benefitted from the X that were performed. Current medications are X. The initial request for X was non-certified noting that the patient is noted to X. The denial was upheld on appeal noting that per Official Disability Guidelines, this procedure is limited only to patients with X. The patient has X. The X is not indicated for patients with X.

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

SUPPORT THE DECISION: Based on the clinical information provided, the request for X is not recommended as medically necessary, and the previous denials are upheld. The Official Disability Guidelines note that the requested procedure is limited only to patients with X. The submitted clinical records indicate that this patient presents with X. The patient presents with a diagnosis of X. Additionally, there is no evidence of a X. Therefore, medical necessity is not established in accordance with current evidence-based guidelines.

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

X ODG- OFFICIAL DISABILITY GUIDELINES & TREATMENT GUIDELINES