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PATIENT CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

The injured worker is X with date of injury on X. X was seen for an initial pain management evaluation on X. X injury had occurred when X. X was having X.

An MRI scan had shown findings of X. X had limited X and was having difficulty X. X was being seen for consideration of X. X pain was worse with X.

X examination findings included appearing in X. X had X. There was exquisite X. Some of X pain was alleviated with X. There was mild X. There was a massive amount of X.

X was X for X. X had a X examination of the X.

The treatment plan included X.

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

Per ODG, X is less common in X, as there is overall X due to the attachment to the X. X in this region also presents a technical challenge.

Recommendations for any X cannot be made due to X.

For these reasons, the requested X are not considered medically necessary.

Therefore, I have determined the requested authorization for X is not medically necessary for treatment of the patient's medical condition.

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 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 CHIDELINES (PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION)