

DATE OF REVIEW: X

IRO CASE # X

DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICE OR SERVICES IN DISPUTE:

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

D.O. Board Certified in X.

REVIEW OUTCOME

Upon independent review the reviewer finds that the previous adverse determination/adverse determinations should be:

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PATIENT CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

This is a X patient who sustained an injury on X due to X. MRI of the X was done on X prior to X. Subsequently, patient X. A second MRI was performed on X. After X, patient continued to be in pain in the X. Patient then X. Patient apparently had



X. Unfortunately, X was X. The patient continued to X. Apparently, the X gave the patient X. In the pain physician outline, the patient benefitted from the X. Presently, patient is X. Patient had an appropriate X evaluation. Also, patient is X. Patient was X. Patient is presently X. Patient is presently more than 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 medically necessary. X is certifiable. Patient met ODG criteria for X. Also, patient was X.

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



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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

DEER REVIEWED NATIONALLY ACCEPTED MEDICAL LITERATURE (PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION)

OTHER EVIDENCE BASED, SCIENTIFICALLY VALID, OUTCOME

FOCUSED GUIDELINES