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IRO Certificate X

DATE OF REVIEW: X

IRO CASE NO. X

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**

Physician 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 X who sustained an injury at work, X. X was working with a X. Patient underwent X.

X was unremarkable; patient was treated with X. X were subsequently removed. Progress note dated X states patient has been doing well; X has concerns about the X, was noted to have X. Exam showed X. X was noted to have a X. The plan was to treat the X. They discussed X at the patient's request. They also discussed revision of the X.

Patient had a X evaluation X, X exam recorded. Dr. X that X was not at maximum medical improvement and patient would probably require X.

Request for X was denied based on ODG by Dr. X and by Dr. X.

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

Opinion: I agree with the benefit company's decision to deny the requested service(s).

Rationale: Summary of reasons: I agree with the decision to not proceed with X. It appears that X is well maintained, and no evidence of X noted in the records.

The requested service, X, is not medically necessary.

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

ACOEM-AMERICAN COLLEGE OF OCCUPATIONAL &
ENVIRONMENTAL
MEDICINE UM KNOWLEDGE BASE

AHCPR-AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE 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 & EXPERTISE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACCEPTED MEDICAL STANDARDS X

MERCY CENTER CONSENSUS CONFERENCE GUIDELINES

MILLIMAN CARE GUIDELINES

ODG-OFFICIAL DISABILITY GUIDELINES & TREATMENT GUIDELINES X

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 DESCRIPTION)

OTHER EVIDENCE BASED, SCIENTIFICALLY VALID, OUTCOME FOCUSED GUIDELINES (PROVIDE DESCRIPTION)