DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICE OR SERVICES IN DISPUTE:

A DESCRIPTION OF THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR EACH PHYSICIAN WHO REVIEWED THE DECISION

This case was reviewed by a physician who is board-certified in X

REVIEW OUTCOME

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

EMPLOYEE CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

The claimant is a X who was injured on X.

MRI of the X dated X documented the following impressions: X. X to X. The X is X. 2. X. 3. X. 4. X.

X and X documented the claimant X. In fact, X is X. X have pain X. X also has X. X has X and also X. X continues to have X. Documented X included X, and with X. It was documented that X as well as X. The X and X. The claimant's X. X, MD documented the claimant was diagnosed with X.

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Prior denial letter from X denied the request for X are not medically necessary or appropriate. This means we do not approve these services or treatment."

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

The claimant is a X.

According to Official Disability Guidelines (ODG), X. A X and X. A X is supported for X. A X is supported for X.

In this case, the claimant experienced a X. The treating doctor documented X has X and X. Based on the submitted records, it appears the claimant has made X. Therefore, ODG criteria for X has not been met. Of note, ODG does call for X. This exception, however, X in this case since the claimant has X.

Due to the continued denial for X, the request for X, are also considered not medically necessary and appropriate. Furthermore, X are not recommended since they have not been shown to be any X.

Therefore, based on the referenced evidence-based medical guidelines, as well as the clinical documentation stated above, it is the professional medical opinion of this reviewer that the request for coverage of X is not medically necessary and appropriate.



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

1. ODG-OFFICIAL DISABILITY GUIDELINES & TREATMENT GUIDELINES