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Notice of Independent Review Decision

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

Board Certified in X

REVIEW OUTCOME

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

X

INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE IRO FOR REVIEW

X

PATIENT CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

The patient is a X who was injured on X when X.
Patient complaining of X and X. Patient was treated X

to include but X and X. Patient underwent an X. Patient underwent an X. Patient reported X pain X prior to X, and X. In the X on record dated X and X, patient continued to X, X in X with the X on X. X on the X. X on X and 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 not medically necessary. Although the patient has some X, X did X according to ODG guidelines -- to X a X. Patient X and patient reported X. Therefore, a 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
- 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 GUIDELINES