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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

D.O. 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 X on X when X. Patient presently complaining of X and X from X on X. Patient does have a history of X. Patient did X with X and X for X then X for X. Patient did undergo X with and without X that X, and X with X at that level and X. X showed X and X and X due to X.

ANALYSIS AND EXPLANATION OF THE DECISION INCLUDE CLINICAL BASIS, FINDINGS AND



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CONCLUSIONS USED TO SUPPORT THE DECISION.

Per ODG references, the requested X, X is not medically necessary.

Patient's X could be an X as indicated by X. Patient was treated very X. X or X were performed on the patient. Not all conservative treatments and interventional treatments were exhausted prior to proceeding to a X. Therefore, medical necessity for X is not certifiable.

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

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| (| 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 |
| 1 | WITH ACCEPTED MEDICAL STANDARDS |
| | MERCY CENTER CONSENSUS CONFERENCE |
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| MILLIMAN CARE GUIDELINES |
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| 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 |