# **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:

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## **INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE IRO FOR REVIEW**

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## PATIENT CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

The Patient is a X with X and X.X symptoms include X, X and X with pain rated at X. Treatment included use of a X with X, X, X, X, X and X and X. Examination of the Patient's X documents X through the X, X on X, X, X with a X and X as well as an X. The patient's diagnoses include X, X or of the X and X. Recommended X includes X and X of the X for diagnoses of X and X.

## ANALYSIS AND EXPLANATION OF THE DECISION

# INCLUDE CLINICAL BASIS, FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS USED TO SUPPORT THE DECISION.

The Official Disability Guidelines (ODG) state that X is recommended for X or X or X to include X with X with support of the X and a X, with subjective clinical findings that include X of the X, complaints of X, X with X and X; and objective clinical findings that included X; imaging clinical findings including a X at the X or X, at X of X at the X or X, as well as X.

In this case, the medical records provided for review indicate that the patient has a history of an X with X, X and X as X. X demonstrates a X. However, the results of X such as X or X have not been included within the medical record to support this requested procedure. Therefore, the guideline-based criteria listed above have not been documented to have been met and according to the standard, this requested procedure is not considered medically necessary.

Therefore, X have determined that authorization and coverage for procedure X and X, X; X, X are not medically necessary for treatment of this patient's condition.

#### 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 UM KNOWLEDGEBASE

□ AHRQ-AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH & QUALITY GUIDELINES

### □ DWC- DIVISION OF WORKERS COMPENSATION POLICIES OR GUIDELINES

□ EUROPEAN GUIDELINES FOR MANAGEMENT OF CHRONIC LOW BACKPAIN

□ INTERQUAL CRITERIA

- □ MEDICAL JUDGEMENT, CLINICAL EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE INACCORDANCE 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, OUTCOMEFOCUSED GUIDELINES (PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION)