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Notice of Independent Review Decision

DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICE OR SERVICES IN DISPUTE:

A DESCRIPTION OF THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR EACH PHYSICIAN OR OTHER HEALTH CARE PROVIDER WHO REVIEWED THE DECISION

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 complaining of X. Patient states that X was injured while X. Patient was initially seen by X on X, patient underwent X and was diagnosed with X. X was X,



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and X. Patient continued to complain of X patient underwent X of the X on X. Findings reported that X. X. X. Patient continued to complain of X and was seen by X and was diagnosed with X. Patient underwent X and X. On X, patient had a follow up with X and patient reported 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 for the patient. The patient had X, and less than X from the X. Therefore, medical necessity of X is non certifiable.

**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



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- 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