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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

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 at work on X when X. Patient presently complaining of X and X. X.



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Patient underwent conservative treatment to include but not limited to X and X.

Patient underwent X of the X on X with the X that X. Also, patient has X at X.

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

Per ODG references, the requested "X" for the patient is medically necessary. Patient has symptoms to include X. Patient has X per X. Patient underwent conservative therapy with X. Therefore, X is 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