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> Notice of Independent Review Decision

DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICE OR SERVICES IN DISPUTE

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

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REVIEW OUTCOME

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

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X have determined that X is not medically necessary for treatment of this patient's condition.

INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE IRO FOR REVIEW

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PATIENT CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

This Patient is a X who sustained a X. The patient had X for X. The patient's follow up showed that X. The X remained X without evidence of X. At issue is whether X for X is required at this time.

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

The Official Disability Guidelines (ODG) criteria for X and X and X were not met. ODG Guidelines do not recommend X when the X is not X. There is no X evidence of X. X is not needed at this time. The patient continues to X and there is no documentation of X.

Therefore, X have determined that authorization and coverage for 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: INDICATIONS FOR X AND X AND INDICATIONS FOR X REMOVAL.

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- □ 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)