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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 on X.
Subsequently the patient developed X and has been
X including but not limited to X. Patient has been
seen by X and a well-established diagnosis of X is

documented. Upon reviewing X treating physician notes and physical exam, it is documented that patient's X. Patient did have X on the X with 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 a well-established diagnosis of X for X by X, and patient did have varying degrees of success with X. Patient symptoms on physical exam is showing X of the disease X. A X, if needed X due to X, is a reasonable option. 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

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	5
☐ TMF SCREENING CRITERIA MANUAL	
PEER REVIEWED NATIONALLY ACCEPTED MEDICAL LITERATURE (PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION)	
OTHER EVIDENCE BASED, SCIENTIFICALLY VALID, OUTCOME FOCUSED GUIDELINES	