#### **Notice of Independent Review Decision**

### <u>DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICE OR SERVICES IN DISPUTE:</u>

## A DESCRIPTION OF THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR EACH PHYSICIAN WHO REVIEWED THE DECISION

#### **REVIEW OUTCOME**

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

□ Upheld

### INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE IRO FOR REVIEW X

### EMPLOYEE CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

#### Mechanism of injury:

The claimant is a X who was injured on X while X. X Report by X, DO dated X documents the claimant was diagnosed with X.

#### **Diagnostic studies:**

The claimant underwent X on X that documented X.

#### **Surgeries:**

X Report by X, DO dated X documents the claimant underwent X.

#### **Conservative Treatment:**

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X Report by X, DO dated X documents the claimant was given X. X documentation of X provided.

#### **Medications:**

Follow Up Note by X, D.O. documents the claimant is currently taking X.

#### **Progress notes:**

Office Visit Notes by X, D.O. dated X documented the claimant to have complaints of X. Objective findings on exam included X. X had X. X had a X. X were X. X had X. X changes noted. X did have X. X was X. The claimant was X. The following treatment was recommended, "X."

#### **Denial Letter:**

Utilization Review Determination from X dated X denied the request for X. There was a previous adverse determination wherein the reviewer X. X revealed X. The request is X. Therefore, the appeal request for X.

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

The claimant is a X; however, on X history there is only a report of X. X exam findings were significant for X. An X from X showed an X. A X was requested, but it X.

#### Q1. What are the most appropriate practice guidelines for X?

Official Disability Guidelines: X

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## Q2. According to the most appropriate practice guidelines, is the X? Please explain.

 According to the most appropriate practice guidelines and medical documentation the X. According to the Official Disability Guidelines:X.

# A DESCRIPTION AND THE SOURCE OF THE SCREENING CRITERIA OR OTHER CLINICAL BASIS USED TO MAKE THE DECISION:

MEDICAL JUDGEMENT, CLINICAL EXPERIENCE AND EXPERTISE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACCEPTED MEDICAL STANDARDS

ODG- OFFICIAL DISABILITY GUIDELINES & TREATMENT GUIDELINES