Notice of Independent Review Decision

DESCRIPTION OF THE SERVICE OR SERVICES IN DISPUTE: \boldsymbol{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:

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INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE IRO FOR REVIEW:

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PATIENT CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

The patient is a X who was injured on X. The patient had been X. X described that the X. X mentioned that the X.

On X, a X performed at X by X, M.D., showed: 1) X.

On X, a Designated Doctor Examination (DDE) by X, D.C., indicated the patient had X. The expected X date was X. The patient continued with X. Office visit dated X by X, M.D., indicated X would benefit from a X. Dr. X agreed with Dr. X assessment.

On X, the patient was seen by X, M.D., for X. X scale at X was X. X had more X. X underwent treatment with X. X reported X. X was significant for X. On exam, the X. X on X was X. X was X. The diagnosis was other X. Condition remained X. Dr. X opined X would benefit from X. X was X.

On X, the patient was seen by Dr. X for X. X scale at X was X. X had more X with X. On exam, the X. X on X was X. X was X. The diagnosis was X. Dr. X opined X would benefit from X. X was prescribed.

Per Utilization Review dated X, the request for X: "The ODG recommends X. The <u>ODG X</u>. The ODG does X. Medical literature supports X. The documentation provided indicates that the injured worker X. On examination, there is X. An X documented a X. The provider has recommended X. Given the X. X is supported X. There are X. As such, X. However, as X was X. Evidence Based Guidelines Used: EBM reference is X."

Per Reconsideration dated X, the request for X: "This reviewer would X. The clinical records demonstrate evidence of a X. The patient had X. There are X. Therefore, X. Guidelines: ODG by X, "Evidence-Based Medical Treatment Guidelines,"-X. ODG by X, "Evidence-Based Medical Treatment Guidelines,"-X. Evidence Based Guidelines Used: EBM reference is X."

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

Both reviewers correctly identified that a X. Both reviewers appropriately attempted X.

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

X ODG- OFFICIAL DISABILITY GUIDELINES & TREATMENT GUIDELINES