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Notice of Independent Review Decision

IRO REVIEWER REPORT

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:

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PATIENT CLINICAL HISTORY [SUMMARY]:

X who sustained an injury on X. The mechanism of injury was X. The diagnosis was X. Per a utilization review adverse determination letter dated X, the request for X. Rationale: "Based upon the medical documentation presently available for review, Official Disability Guidelines would X. As documented in the summary, X. The requested amount of X. The above-noted reference would X. As a result, presently, X". Per a reconsideration review adverse determination letter dated X, the appeal request for X. Rationale: "Recommended based on X. ODG X Guidelines -X.X: Medical treatment:X.' In this case, the patient is a X who sustained an injury on X and X. A X notes a X exam showing X. X show a X. Regarding this request, there is X. Therefore, the request is X. " Based on the submitted medical records, X. In addition, the records X. Therefore, the requested X

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

Based on the submitted medical records, there is X. In addition, the records X. Therefore, the requested X

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
\square AHRQ- AGENCY FOR HEALTHCARE RESEARCH & QUALITY GUIDELINES
$\hfill \square$ DWC- DIVISION OF WORKERS COMPENSATION POLICIES OR GUIDELINES
☐ EUROPEAN GUIDELINES FOR MANAGEMENT OF X
☐ INTERQUAL CRITERIA
☑ MEDICAL JUDGMENT, CLINICAL EXPERIENCE, AND EXPERTISE IN ACCORDANCE WITH ACCEPTED MEDICAL STANDARDS
☐ MERCY CENTER CONSENSUS CONFERENCE GUIDELINES
☐ MILLIMAN CARE GUIDELINES
☑ ODG- OFFICIAL DISABILITY GUIDELINES & TREATMENT GUIDELINES
☐ OTHER EVIDENCE BASED, SCIENTIFICALLY VALID, OUTCOME FOCUSED GUIDELINES (PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION)
$\hfill \square$ PEER REVIEWED NATIONALLY ACCEPTED MEDICAL LITERATURE (PROVIDE A DESCRIPTION)
\square PRESLEY REED, THE MEDICAL DISABILITY ADVISOR
\square TEXAS GUIDELINES FOR CHIROPRACTIC QUALITY ASSURANCE & PRACTICE PARAMETERS
☐ TMF SCREENING CRITERIA MANUAL