



Notice of Independent Review Decision

IRO Reviewer Report

X; amended date X

IRO Case #: X

Description of the service 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:

Approved/Overturned

Information Provided to IRO for Review:

X

Patient Clinical History [Summary]:

This is a X member with a diagnosis of a right distal radius fracture. The request is for the coverage of X.

The request was previously denied stating: At the member's request I

have reviewed the medical records pertaining to the above-captioned member at which time a preauthorization review was performed for medical necessity.

X Right wrist x-ray revealed a X.

On X the member reported X. X was corroborated by physical examination. The member was working with X.

The X functional capacity evaluation noted that the member demonstrated the ability to perform within a X. Prior treatment included X.

A X appeal letter noted that the patient reported that the member is X.

The X denial of X noted that the functional capacity evaluation was an X.

Analysis and Explanation of the Decision include basis, findings, and conclusions used to support the decision:

Per ODG:

WC involves an additional series of X. WC visits are typically more X. Consistent with all X, WC participation does not preclude a patient from concurrently working. X is not recommended due to inadequate evidence of any benefit."

In this case, the prior denial of X. However, a review of records shows that the member is X. X records show completion of X. A X is reasonable, and X. The service is medically necessary and appropriate.

As such, ODG-Official Disability Guidelines & Treatment Guidelines criteria have been met. Therefore, the request for the coverage of X is medically necessary.

A description, and the source of the screening criteria or other clinical basis used to make the decision:

ODG-Official Disability Guidelines & Treatment Guidelines