



TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

Division of Workers' Compensation - Medical Fee Dispute Resolution (MS-48)

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MEDICAL FEE DISPUTE RESOLUTION FINDINGS AND DECISION

GENERAL INFORMATION

Requestor Name

Memorial Compounding Pharmacy

Respondent Name

TASB Risk Mgmt Fund

MFDR Tracking Number

M4-18-4303-01

Carrier's Austin Representative

Box Number 47

MFDR Date Received

July 16, 2018

REQUESTOR'S POSITION SUMMARY

Requestor's Position Summary: "These medications do not require preauthorization therefore do not need a retrospective review."

Amount in Dispute: \$489.98

RESPONDENT'S POSITION SUMMARY

Respondent's Position Summary: "The carrier requested a letter of medical necessity to support the need for the compound powder form of the drug Tramadol instead of the pill form. ...No letter of medical necessity was received."

Response Submitted by: TASB Risk Management Fund

SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Dates of Service	Disputed Services	Amount In Dispute	Amount Due
July 26, 2017	Tramadol	\$489.98	\$0.00

FINDINGS AND DECISION

This medical fee dispute is decided pursuant to Texas Labor Code §413.031 and applicable rules of the Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation.

Background

- 28 Texas Administrative Code §133.307 sets out the procedures for resolving medical fee disputes.
- 28 Texas Administrative Code §133.20 sets out the requirements for medical bill submission by health care providers.
- The insurance carrier reduced payment for the disputed services with the following claim adjustment codes:
 - 16 – Claim/service lacks information or has submission/billing error(s) which is needed for adjudication

Issues

- 1. Are the insurance carrier’s reasons for denial of payment supported?

Findings

- 1. The requestor is seeking reimbursement of pharmacy services for date of service July 26, 2017. The insurance carrier denied disputed services as “claim lacks information.”

28 Texas Administrative Code §133.20 (h)(1) states in pertinent part,

(h) Not later than the 15th day after receipt of a request for additional medical documentation, a health care provider shall submit to the insurance carrier:

- (1) any requested additional medical documentation related to the charges for health care rendered;

Review of the submitted documentation found insufficient evidence to support the health care provider submitted the requested information. The carrier’s denial is supported. No additional payment is recommended.

Conclusion

For the reasons stated above, the Division finds that the requestor has not established that additional reimbursement is due. As a result, the amount ordered is \$0.00.

ORDER

Based on the submitted information, pursuant to Texas Labor Code Section 413.031, the division hereby determines the requestor is entitled to \$0.00 additional reimbursement for the services in dispute.

Authorized Signature

Signature

Medical Fee Dispute Resolution Officer

Date

May 16, 2019

YOUR RIGHT TO APPEAL

Either party to this medical fee dispute has a right to seek review of this decision in accordance with Rule §133.307, effective May 31, 2012, *37 Texas Register 3833*, applicable to disputes filed on or after June 1, 2012.

A party seeking review must submit a **Request to Schedule a Benefit Review Conference to Appeal a Medical Fee Dispute Decision** (form **DWC045M**) in accordance with the instructions on the form. The request must be received by the division within **twenty** days of your receipt of this decision. The request may be faxed, mailed or personally delivered to the division using the contact information listed on the form or to the field office handling the claim.

The party seeking review of the MFDR decision shall deliver a copy of the request to all other parties involved in the dispute at the same time the request is filed. **Please include a copy of the *Medical Fee Dispute Resolution Findings and Decision*** together with any other required information specified in 28 Texas Administrative Code §141.1(d).

Si prefiere hablar con una persona en español acerca de ésta correspondencia, favor de llamar a 512-804-4812.