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memo

To: Workers' Compensation System Participants

From: Patrick Palmer, M.D., Medical Advisor

Date: July 30, 2018

RE: Input Needed for Development of Neuromuscular Testing Referrals Plan-Based Audit

The Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation (TDI-DWC) ask for input on the development of a *Neuromuscular Testing Referrals Plan-Based Audit*. The audit will assess if a health care provider's decision to order neuromuscular testing was appropriate, medically necessary, and supported by recordkeeping. The audit sets the scope, methodology, selection standards, and program area duties as laid out in the Medical Quality Review Process. A copy of the proposed audit is available on the TDI website at www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/hcprovider/medadvisor.html.

The Medical Advisor approved a *Neuromuscular Testing Referrals Plan-Based Audit* plan as part of the CY 2018 *Medical Quality Review Annual Audit Plan*, which is available on the TDI website at <http://www.tdi.texas.gov/wc/hcprovider/documents/auditplan18.pdf>.

Workers' compensation system participants can submit suggestions for this audit by email to OMA@tdi.texas.gov by 5pm Central time on Tuesday, August 14, 2018.

If you have any questions regarding this memo, contact Mary Landrum at 512-804-4814 or Mary.Landrum@tdi.texas.gov.