

Under the provisions of Section 413.031 of the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, Title 5, Subtitle A of the Texas Labor Code, effective June 17, 2001 and Commission Rule 133.305, titled Medical Dispute Resolution-General, and 133.307, titled Medical Dispute Resolution of a Medical Fee Dispute, a review was conducted by the Division regarding a medical fee dispute between the requestor and the respondent named above. This dispute was received on February 21, 2003.

I. DISPUTE

Whether there should be reimbursement for CPT code 97032 for dates of service August 2, 2002 and August 6, 2002.

II. RATIONALE

CPT Code 97032 for date of service 8/2/03 – Denied as “F – 4 procedures allowed per day”. Per the 1996 Medical Fee Guideline, Medicine Ground Rule (I)(A)(10)(a) a physical medicine session is defined as any combination of four modalities, procedures and/or physical medicine activities and training. Submitted daily notes do not support electrical stimulation was administered to patient; therefore, reimbursement is not recommended.

CPT Code 97032 for date of service 8/6/02 – Denied as “F – 4 procedures allowed per day”. Per the 1996 Medical Fee Guideline, Medicine Ground Rule (I)(A)(10)(a) a physical medicine session is defined as any combination of four modalities, procedures and/or physical medicine activities and training. Daily notes support that only 4 procedures were performed on claimant. Submitted daily notes support services were rendered as billed. Reimbursement in the amount of \$44.00 (\$22.00 x 2) is recommended.

III. DECISION & ORDER

Based upon the review of the disputed healthcare services within this request, the Division has determined that the requestor is entitled to reimbursement for CPT code 97032 for date of service 8/6/02 in the amount of \$44.00. Pursuant to Sections 402.042, 413.016, 413.031, and 413.019 the Division hereby ORDERS the Respondent to remit **\$44.00** plus all accrued interest due at the time of payment to the Requestor within 20 days receipt of this Order.

The above Findings, Decision and Order are hereby issued this 08th day of January 2004.

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