

Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation

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MEDICAL FEE DISPUTE RESOLUTION FINDINGS AND DECISION

| PART I: GENERAL INFORMATION | | | |
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| Requestor Name and Address: SADI Pain Center | MFDR Tracking #: M4-07-3781-01 | | |
| | DWC Claim #: | | |
| 2525 W. Bellfort | Injured Employee: | | |
| Houston, TX 77054 | injured Employee. | | |
| Respondent Name: | Date of Injury: | | |
| Texas Mutual Insurance Co Box #: 54 | Employer Name: PRIMARY BUSINESS | | |
| Βολ π. 54 | SYSTEMS LLC | | |
| | Insurance Carrier #: 99F0000423161 | | |

PART II: REQUESTOR'S POSITION SUMMARY AND PRINCIPLE DOCUMENTATION

The Requestor has not submitted a Position Summary; however, the Requestor's rationale on the table of disputed services states, "Not paid according to Medicare fee schedule."

Principle Documentation:

- 1. DWC 60 package
- 2. CMS 1500(s)
- 3. EOB(s)

PART III: RESPONDENT'S POSITION SUMMARY AND PRINCIPLE DOCUMENTATION

Respondent's Position Summary: "According to the CCI edits code 72275 and 36000 are component codes of 64483, 64484, and 62311."

Principle Documentation:

- 1. Response to DWC 60
- 2. Additional Information

PART IV: SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

| Date(s) of Service | Denial Code(s) | CPT Code(s) and/or Description | Part V Reference | Amount Due |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 10/09/06 | 97, 217 / 435, 891 | 72275-TC | 1-3 | \$98.33 |
| | 97, 217 / W4, 891 | 36000-59 | 1-3 | \$32.43 |
| Total Due: | | | | \$130.76 |

PART V: REVIEW OF SUMMARY, METHODOLOGY AND EXPLANATION

Section §413.011(a-d) titled, <u>Reimbursement Policies and Guidelines</u>, and Division Rule 134.202 titled, <u>Medical Fee Guideline</u> effective August 1, 2003, sets out the reimbursement guidelines.

1. This dispute relates to CPT codes 72275-TC (Epidurography) and 36000-59 (Introduction Needle) denied on original EOB with reason codes "97 (Payment is included in the allowance for another service/procedure), 217 (The value of this procedure is included in the value of another procedure performed on this date) and denied on reconsideration EOB with reason codes W4 (No additional reimbursement allowed after review of appeal/reconsideration), 435 (Per NCCI edits, the value of this procedure is included in the value of the comprehensive procedure), 891 (The insurance company is reducing or denying payment after consideration)."

- 2. Services billed by SADI Pain Center rendered on 10/09/06 were on two separate CMS 1500s. One bill is for the technical component (Tax I.D. # 74-2726932) noted in box 25. The other bill is for the professional component (Tax I.D. # 430377749) noted in box 25. The Respondent cannot bundle two separate bills.
- 3. Per CMS-1500, services were rendered in zip code 78240 which is located in Bexar County. The MFG MAR for CPT code 72275-TC in Bexar County is \$98.33. The MFG MAR for CPT code 36000 in Bexar County is \$32.43. Therefore, reimbursement in the amount of \$130.76 is recommended per Rule 134.202(c)(1).
- 4. A referral has been made to Legal and Compliance against the Respondent for inappropriate denial.

PART VI: GENERAL PAYMENT POLICIES/REFERENCES

Texas Labor Code Sec. §413.011(a-d)

28 Texas Administrative Code Sec. §133.307 (effective 12/31/06), §134.1, §134.202.

PART VII: DIVISION DECISION AND/OR ORDER

Based upon the documentation submitted by the parties and in accordance with the provisions of Texas Labor Code, Sec. §413.031, the Division has determined that the Requestor is entitled to reimbursement. The Division hereby **ORDERS** the Carrier to remit to the Requestor the amount of \$130.76 plus accrued interest, due within 30 days of receipt of this Order.

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Authorized Signature

Medical Fee Dispute Resolution Officer

Date

PART VIII: YOUR RIGHT TO REQUEST JUDICIAL REVIEW

Appeals of medical dispute resolution decisions and orders are procedurally made directly to a district court in Travis County [see Texas Labor Code, Sec. §413.031(k), as amended and effective Sept. 1, 2005]. An appeal to District Court must be filed not later than 30 days after the date on which the decision, that is the subject of the appeal, is final and appealable. The Division is not considered a party to the appeal.

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