

# Texas Department of Insurance, Division of Workers' Compensation

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# MEDICAL FEE DISPUTE RESOLUTION FINDINGS AND DECISION

PART I: GENERAL INFORMATION	
Requestor's Name and Address: Southwest Medical Examination Services, Inc. 7502 Greenville Ave., Ste. 600 Dallas, TX 75231	MFDR Tracking #: M4-07-4178-01
	DWC Claim #:
	Injured Employee:
Respondent Name and Box #:	Date of Injury:
Dallas ISD Rep. Box #42	Employer Name: Dallas ISD
	Insurance Carrier #: 2003032583

## PART II: REQUESTOR'S POSITION SUMMARY AND PRINCIPLE DOCUMENTATION

Requestor's Position Summary:

"Required test for RTW/EMC exam."

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:

"No additional allowance is recommended...Per the AMA guidelines, this test is part of performing the physical exam." Principle Documentation:

1. Response to DWC 60

#### PART IV: SUMMARY OF FINDINGS

Review of the box 32 on CMS-1500, revealed zip code 75231 is located in Dallas county.

Date(s) of Service	Denial Code(s)	CPT Code(s) and Calculations	Part V Reference	Amount Due
5-23-06	97H	95831(2)	1-2	\$74.04
<b>Total Due:</b>				\$74.04

## PART V: REVIEW OF SUMMARY, METHODOLOGY AND EXPLANATION

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

- 1. These services were denied by the Respondent with reason code "97H– Payment is included in the allowance for another service/procedure."
- 2. According to Rule 134.202(e)(7), "Testing that is required shall be billed using the appropriate CPT code and reimbursed in addition to the examination fee." On this date, the Requestor billed CPT code 99456-RE for the examination and CPT codes 95851 and 95831 for the testing. CPT code 95831 is not global to any service billed on this date. Per Commissioner's Bulletin #B-0006-06, "The CY 2005 conversion factor of \$37.8975 is to be used effective immediately when calculating MAR for services provided on of after January 1, 2006." The MAR for CPT

code 95831 is \$37.07 or less. Per Rule 134.202(d), "reimbursement shall be the least of the (1) MAR amount as established by this rule or, (2) the health care provider's usual and customary charge." The Requestor is seeking dispute resolution in the amount of 37.02 X2 = 74.04, this amount is recommended.

# PART VI: GENERAL PAYMENT POLICIES/REFERENCES

Texas Labor Code Sec. §413.011(a-d) 28 Texas Administrative Code Sec. §134.1, §134.202 Advisory 2004-06

#### 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 \$74.04 plus accrued interest, due within 30 days of receipt of this Order.

**ORDER / DECISION:** 

Elizabeth Pickle, RHIA

Medical Fee Dispute Resolution Officer

June 21, 2007

Date

Authorized Signature

# 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.