

BEFORE THE IOWA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

JANET KETELSEN,

Claimant,

vs.

TRINITY HEALTH CARE CENTER
D/B/A ALVERNO HEALTH CARE
FACILITY,

Employer,
Self-Insured,
Defendant.

File No. 19700542.04

ALTERNATE MEDICAL CARE

CONSENT ORDER

This is a contested case concerning alternate medical care, proceeding under Iowa Code chapters 85 and 17A. The expedited procedure of rule 876 IAC 4.48 is invoked by claimant, Janet Ketelsen. The alternate medical care claim was scheduled for telephone hearing on March 12, 2021, at 10:30 a.m.

Prior to the commencement of the hearing, claimant's attorney and defendant's attorney reached out to the undersigned. The parties indicated that treatment with Dr. Hussain has been scheduled. Additional care in the form of an EMG and an MRI is also to be scheduled. Defendant agreed to provide care for the right upper extremity and/or shoulder as asserted in the alternate care petition. The parties agreed that treatment with Dr. Hussain would be scheduled as soon as practicable.

The parties proposed that the undersigned issue this consent order in lieu of a formal hearing. All parties consented to the entry of a consent order during a telephone conference on March 12, 2021, at the time of the hearing, thus no alternate medical care hearing was necessary.

ORDER

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

Defendant agreed to provide additional treatment to Claimant in the form of an EMG and MRI on Claimant's right upper extremity. Defendant has further agreed to schedule Claimant to be seen by Dr. Hussain following the completion of the EMG and MRI on Claimant's right upper extremity.

Defendant shall continue to make all reasonable efforts to schedule Claimant's appointments as soon as practicable.

Defendant will provide an update to Claimant within fourteen (14) days of the date of this order, providing the date of Claimant's MRI and subsequent appointment with Dr. Hussain, or an update as to the progress in securing said appointments.

Signed and filed this 12th day of March, 2021.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Andrew M. Phillips", written over a horizontal line.

ANDREW M. PHILLIPS
DEPUTY WORKERS'
COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

The parties have been served, as follows:

Nathaniel Staudt (via WCES)

Lee Pomeroy Hook (via WCES)