

## BEFORE THE IOWA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

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HERIBERTO HERNANDEZ GARCIA,

Claimant,

vs.

METRO SALVAGE POOL, INC.,

Employer,

and

WESTERN NATIONAL MUTUAL  
INSURANCE COMPANY,Insurance Carrier,  
Defendants.

File No. 21007693.02

ALTERNATE MEDICAL CARE

CONSENT ORDER

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Claimant filed a petition seeking alternate medical care. A telephonic hearing on this petition was held on November 27, 2023. Prior to commencing a formal recording and record, the undersigned had discussions with counsel of record. Ultimately, it was determined that defendants are willing to authorize the medical treatment requested by claimant. The parties consented to entry of this consent order.

Specifically, defendants agree to pay, or reimburse claimant, for crutches recommended by Blair Runde, P.A. Defendants agree to provide further medical care for claimant's low back at the University of Iowa and specifically with a spine surgeon. Defendants have already identified Cassim Igram, M.D., as a possible spine surgeon and sent him medical records to review. However, Dr. Igram has not yet agreed to evaluate claimant and an appointment is not yet scheduled with Dr. Igram. Defendants agree that if Dr. Igram declines to accept treatment, they will identify another qualified spine surgeon at the University of Iowa to provide care for claimant's low back.

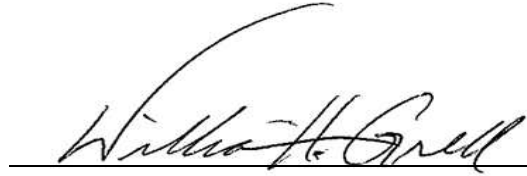
## THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

Pursuant to the agreement of the parties at the November 27, 2023 alternate medical care hearing, defendants shall pay, or reimburse claimant (if already purchased), for crutches.

Within thirty (30) days of the entry of this order, defendants shall schedule an appointment for claimant to be evaluated by Cassim Igram, M.D., or another qualified

spine surgeon at the University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics, and shall schedule the first reasonably available time slot for such evaluation and treatment of claimant's low back.

Signed and filed this 27<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2023.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "William H. Grell", written over a horizontal line.

WILLIAM H. GRELL  
DEPUTY WORKERS'  
COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

The parties have been served, as follows:

Tom Drew (via WCES)

Jeff Margolin (via WCES)