BEFORE THE IOWA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

GRACIELA de MALDONADO.

Claimant,

VS.

WATERLOO COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT.

Employer,

and

UNITED WISCONSIN INSURANCE COMPANY,

Insurance Carrier, Defendants.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION

File No. 5059882

ALTERNATE MEDICAL CARE
CONSENT ORDER

Claimant filed a petition seeking alternate medical care. A telephonic hearing on this petition was scheduled for June 8, 2018. Prior to going on the record, the undersigned had discussions with counsel of record. The parties were able to reach an amicable resolution of the alternate medical care dispute and all parties consented to entry of a consent order reflecting their agreement.

Specifically, claimant asserts a request that she be provided an interpreter for all medical appointments. Defendants indicated that they have been providing an interpreter via phone for claimant's physical therapy appointments. Claimant is in agreement to continue with the use of a phone interpreter for physical therapy, provided there are no significant barriers that arise or the situation becomes unworkable. However, claimant requests that defendants provide an interpreter for all appointments and evaluations by a physician. Defendants consented to that arrangement.

Having reached an agreement for entry of a consent order, all parties waived a formal hearing.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

Pursuant to the agreement of the parties, defendants shall provide claimant with an in-person interpreter for all medical examinations or evaluations conducted by a physician or another medical professional under the supervision of a physician (i.e., nurse practitioner, physician assistant, nurse).

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Defendants shall provide claimant with an interpreter via telephone for all physical therapy appointments unless and until such method of interpretation becomes unworkable or unsatisfactory to conduct the necessary physical therapy.

Signed and filed this 8th day of June, 2018.

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COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

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