BEFORE THE IOWA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

THERESA PEREZ,

File No. 22004303.01

Claimant,

VS.

DARDEN RESTAURANTS d/b/a OLIVE GARDEN.

Employer,

and

INDEMNITY INS. CO. OF N. A.,

Insurance Carrier, Defendants.

: ALTERNATE MEDICAL CARE : CONSENT ORDER

On November 1, 2022, claimant filed a petition for alternate medical care. A telephonic hearing on the petition was scheduled to occur on November 10, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. Prior to the alternate medical care hearing, counsel notified the undersigned that the parties were able to reach an amicable agreement and that a consent order should be entered.

With respect to the specific alternate medical care requested, Ms. Perez sought authorization of the following treatment recommended by Dr. Irving Wolfe: gabapentin, greater occipital nerve block, neuropsychological evaluation, prism glasses prescribed by Dr. Triebel, audiologic evaluation, and physical therapy.

At this time, defendants have denied liability and authorization of the requested treatment consisting of neuropsychological evaluation, prism glasses, and audiological evaluation. However, defendants consent to and agree to prompt authorization of gabapentin as prescribed by Dr. Irving Wolfe, right-sided greater occipital nerve block to be performed by Dr. Wolfe, and continuation of physical therapy for three weeks, two times per week (total of 6 visits) at UnityPoint Clinic Sports Medicine and Concussion Center – Urbandale as prescribed by Dr. Wolfe.

This consent order is not intended to reflect findings of fact or conclusions of law relative to this claim. Rather, it is intended to document and enter an order that is consistent with both parties' positions and acceptable to both parties. A formal alternate medical care hearing was not conducted, as all parties consented to entry of this order and waived the formal hearing.

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THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

Defendants shall promptly authorize the gabapentin prescription as prescribed by Dr. Wolfe, the right-sided greater occipital nerve block to be performed by Dr. Wolfe, and continuation of physical therapy for three weeks, two times per week (total of 6 visits) at UnityPoint Clinic Sports Medicine and Concussion – Urbandale as prescribed by Dr. Wolfe.

Signed and filed this 14th day of November, 2022.

MICHAEL J. LUNN
DEPUTY WORKERS'
COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

The parties have been served as follows:

James Neal (via WCES)

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