

BEFORE THE IOWA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

AMY SPIRES,

Claimant,

vs.

ALLEN HOSPITAL,

Employer,
Self-Insured,
Defendants.

File No. 20013783.01

ALTERNATE MEDICAL CARE

CONSENT ORDER

Head Note No.: 2701

Claimant filed an application for alternate medical care on March 26, 2021, seeking authorization of treatment of her September 6, 2020 work-related injury. Prior to hearing, the parties contacted the undersigned Deputy and indicated that the parties have resolved the matter. Specifically, the parties have agreed to the following:

1. Defendant shall authorize an appointment with Dr. Teri Thomsen, a neurologist at the University of Iowa Hospitals & Clinics, to treat claimant and will schedule an appointment. Claimant understands that the timing of this appointment will depend on whether Dr. Thomsen wishes to see claimant before or after the recommendations she made on February 19, 2021 have been completed.
2. Defendant shall authorize and schedule neuropsychological testing with either Dr. Daniel Tranel at the University of Iowa Hospitals & Clinics or with Dr. Karla Brennscheidt locally.
3. Defendant shall authorize and schedule physical/occupational therapy pursuant to the order entered by Dr. Thomsen on February 19, 2021.
4. Defendant shall authorize Dr. Sharad Bajaj to evaluate and treat claimant from a cardiology perspective for any cardiac condition related to her September 6, 2020 injury.
5. Defendant shall authorize UnityPoint Psychiatry, specifically Merve Akova (ARNP), to treat claimant's mental symptoms which are deemed related to her September 6, 2020 injury.

Claimant desired that a Consent Order be entered in this case, in lieu of a hearing. A hearing is therefore determined to be unnecessary, based on the agreement of the parties. The parties acknowledge claimant is also scheduled for an evaluation with Dr. Carpenter for April 9, 2021. Nothing in this Order precludes the parties to continue to investigate claimant's September 6, 2020 injury and what treatment is related to the September 6, 2020 injury.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that defendant shall authorize and schedule medical care as set forth above and that the hearing in this matter is cancelled.

Signed and filed this 8TH day of April, 2021.

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

WILLIAM H. GRELL
DEPUTY WORKERS'
COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

The parties have been served, as follows:

Benjamin Roth (via WCES)

Jennifer Clendenin (via WCES)