BEFORE THE IOWA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

CONSTANCE THOMAS,

Claimant,

VS.

RHYTHM CITY CASINO.

Employer,

and

ZURICH INSURANCE,

Insurance Carrier, Defendants.

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File No. 5064894

ALTERNATE MEDICAL

CARE CONSENT ORDER

HEAD NOTE NO: 2701

Claimant filed a petition seeking alternate medical care. A telephonic hearing for this petition was scheduled for December 4, 2018.

Based on an off-the-record conversation with both counsel, the alternate medical care requested by claimant is for defendants to provide an evaluation with orthopedic surgeon Suleman Hussain, M.D. (Claimant's Exhibit 1, page 4)

In an effort to avoid an unnecessary hearing, and yet protect the interests of their clients, the parties agree to entry of a consent order requiring defendants to provide claimant with an evaluation by Dr. Hussain.

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.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

Pursuant to the agreement of the parties prior to the scheduled December 4, 2018, alternate medical care hearing, defendants shall authorize, within 14 days of the filing of this consent order, an evaluation of claimant by Dr. Hussain. If Dr. Hussain is unable to evaluate claimant, the parties may contact the undersigned regarding other

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options of treatment. Claimant also retains the right to file another petition for alternate medical care regarding this matter.

Signed and filed this _____ day of December, 2018.

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