

MEDICAL NECESSITY

Date

Red Tape Insurance Company
234565 Paperwork Blvd.
Mt. High, CA 99921
Re: Mr. John Jones
Claim # 5559

To Whom It May Concern:

This letter is written in response to your letter of (date). You have requested that I provide substantiation for the medical necessity for continuing acupuncture care on my patient, Mr. John Jones.

In summary, this patient's diagnosis, pain and subsequent functional limitations are consistent with the acupuncture treatment plan proposed. Acupuncture care is generally instituted to decrease a patient's dependence on medication and/or when medication is no longer useful. Furthermore, acupuncture is used as an adjunct to physical rehabilitation to hasten functional recovery.

The acupuncture services provided to this patient were performed to decrease pain, reduce inflammation, reduce muscle spasm, increase ranges of motion, and promote relaxation. The specific care involved acupuncture needling (manual or electrical should be specified) and physical medicine services (if done specify which) to cure and relieve the patient from the effects of his condition.

This patient was care for on the basis of reduction of attendant symptomatology and the progress was measured objectively and subjectively during the course of care. Care was not palliative in nature and accomplished functional changes for this patient.

(At this point give specifics of the patient diagnosis and progress of care on exams)

I have included with this copies of my exams and chart notes which demonstrate the changes realized by this patient while under my care. If I can be of further service to you or answer any questions regarding Mr. Jones' case, please feel free to contact me.

Yours truly,