

Case Number:	CM13-0036122		
Date Assigned:	12/13/2013	Date of Injury:	08/24/2012
Decision Date:	02/12/2014	UR Denial Date:	10/10/2013
Priority:	Standard	Application Received:	10/18/2013

HOW THE IMR FINAL DETERMINATION WAS MADE

MAXIMUS Federal Services sent the complete case file to a physician reviewer. He/she has no affiliation with the employer, employee, providers or the claims administrator. The physician reviewer is Board Certified in Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation, has a subspecialty in Interventional Spine and is licensed to practice in California. He/she has been in active clinical practice for more than five years and is currently working at least 24 hours a week in active practice. The physician reviewer was selected based on his/her clinical experience, education, background, and expertise in the same or similar specialties that evaluate and/or treat the medical condition and disputed items/services.

CLINICAL CASE SUMMARY

The expert reviewer developed the following clinical case summary based on a review of the case file, including all medical records:

This patient is a 35 year-old male, Police Officer, who injured himself on 8/24/12 when he fell off a bicycle and fractured his right wrist. He has been diagnosed with s/p right scaphoid ORIF on 9/12/12. The IMR application shows a dispute with the 10/10/13 UR decision, which is from [REDACTED] and was recommending non-certification for a UDT from 7/15/13-7/17/13.

IMR ISSUES, DECISIONS AND RATIONALES

The Final Determination was based on decisions for the disputed items/services set forth below:

Urine Toxicology screening: Upheld

Claims Administrator guideline: The Claims Administrator did not cite any medical evidence for its decision.

MAXIMUS guideline: Decision based on MTUS Chronic Pain Treatment Guidelines Urine Drug Screen Page(s): 43.

Decision rationale: The records show the patient has a UDT on 7/15/13 which was negative for everything tested. This was apparently the first UDT for 2013. The prior UDT was on 8/30/12. The UDT on 7/15/13 is in accordance with MTUS guidelines.