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### MIDWEST OPERATING ENGINEERS WELFARE FUND APPEAL REQUEST FORM

Member Name:	Medical ID#:
Address:	Date of Birth:
Phone number:	Member Status:ActiveRetiree
Patient:	Patient Date of Birth:
Case Manager Authorization number(s):	
Claim number(s):	

#### **USE A SEPARATE SHEET OF PAPER TO COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING IF NECESSARY**

What are you appealing?

Why are you appealing?

What are you expecting as the outcome of your appeal?

Check box here if you have attached additional information with your appeal.

I hereby certify the above statements are true and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I authorize the release, when requested by the Welfare Fund, of any facts or medical records concerning the injury, illness and treatment of myself for this appeal. A photocopy of this authorization shall be considered as effective and valid as the original.

Patient or Authorized Representative (Must be over age 18)

Date

Please review Page 2 for additional information regarding 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Level Appeals, as well as information on designating Midwest Operating Engineers Authorized Representatives.

### Authorized Representatives

- Members and adult dependents over age 18 who wish to designate an Authorized Representative to handle their appeal must contact the fund office at (708) 579-6600 to request a *Midwest Operating Engineers Authorized Representative Form* to complete.
- Providers are not allowed to appeal unless designated as an Authorized Representative by the member and a completed *Midwest Operating Engineers Authorized Representative Form* is on file with the Fund Office.

# 1<sup>ST</sup> LEVEL APPEAL INFORMATION

- 1<sup>ST</sup> Level Appeals must be received by the Fund Office within 180 days from the date of the initial denial.
- Please review your Explanation of Benefits (EOB) for the denial date.
- Initial appeal must be submitted by the member or patient (i.e., spouse, adult dependent over age 18), or the MOE Authorized Representative.
- Please make sure to attach *PHOTOCOPIES* of any relevant information to support your appeal.
- KEEP ALL OF YOUR ORIGINAL DOCUMENTATION AS THEY WILL NOT BE RETURNED TO YOU.
- You may include any documentation or information from your physician with your appeal.
- Although you cannot physically appear, you will be notified by mail of the date and time of the 1<sup>st</sup> Level Appeal.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> LEVEL APPEAL INFORMATION

- 2<sup>nd</sup> Level Appeals must be submitted within 30-days of the date of the notice that the initial appeal was denied.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Level Appeals must be submitted by the member or patient (i.e., spouse, adult dependent over age 18), or the MOE Authorized Representative.
- Please attach any additional relevant information that was not heard during your 1<sup>st</sup> Level Appeal.
- Please confirm if you are requesting to appear at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Level Appeal's Meeting.
- You will be notified of the date and time to appear.
- DO NOT SIGN or CHECK BOXES BELOW UNLESS YOUR 1<sup>ST</sup> LEVEL APPEAL HAS BEEN DENIED

I, \_\_\_\_\_, would like to appear at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Level Appeal's Meeting.

I have attached additional information that was not heard at my 1<sup>st</sup> Level Appeal's Meeting

Patient or Authorized Representative (Must be over age 18)

Date