

NAME:
REGARDING:

SS#:

Warehouse Employees Union Local No. 730 Health & Welfare Trust Fund

EMPLOYER: Giant
PLAN: E

LOCAL: 730
STATUS: Full Time

ISSUE: Prescription – Oral Contraceptives

#Rx13/125-3710

FUND RULE:

“Exclusions/Restrictions

The Fund does not pay for birth control or fertility drugs.”

(Warehouse Employees Union Local 730 Health & Welfare Trust Fund SPD, Page 81)

SUMMARY: Appeal Received: October 25, 2013

The **participant** is appealing on behalf of his spouse for coverage of oral contraceptives. A copy of a prescription from F. Alex Leon, MD, was included with the appeal. The provider states, “[the participant’s spouse] is being prescribed Micronor because of dysfunctional uterine bleeding and dysmenorrhea.”

After the appeal was received, it was sent to CareAllies/Cigna Healthcare for review. CareAllies/Cigna Healthcare advised the Fund office on October 30, 2013, that the treatment **is medically necessary**. “Considering the information presented for review for this particular patient, the use of Micronor is a recognized therapy in the treatment of dysfunctional uterine bleeding and dysmenorrhea and can be considered medically necessary.”

The participant advised the Fund office on December 9, 2013, that his wife needed her medication as soon as possible, so he made the decision to purchase it without Fund coverage. Consequently, he is requesting a refund of his out-of-pocket cost (\$116.94). The participant faxed copies of the receipts for the medication to the Fund office.

Request for coverage of oral contraceptives:

ACTION: Approved ☐ Denied ☐ Tabled ☐

Request for reimbursement of out-of-pocket cost for purchase of oral contraceptives on December 9, 2013:

ACTION: Approved ☐ Denied ☐ Tabled ☐

COMMENTS: