

NAME:
REGARDING:

SS#:

Bakers Union and FELRA Health and Welfare Fund

EMPLOYER: Safeway
DATE OF HIRE: August 1, 2001
PLAN: I

LOCAL: 118
STATUS: Full Time

ISSUE: Hospital/Medical – Routine Services

#M13/121-5722

FUND RULE:

"General Exclusions

13. Screening for various health risks...

29. Expenses not medically necessary for the treatment of illness or injury including x-rays made without film..."

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SUMMARY:

Date(s) of Service: May 15, 2013
Received: May 23, 2013
Denied: May 30, 2013
Appeal Received: June 21, 2013

The **participant's daughter** is appealing for payment of claims that were denied. The participant's daughter states that she went to the University of Maryland Health Center to have her "yearly women's... routine care" visit. The participant's daughter further states, "During my visit, the physician asked me if I would like to have... medical testing for any types of diseases. I [informed] my physician that I would not like to have these tests unless my health insurance covers these expenses. My physician told me that these tests were simply pap smears and that my insurance would cover these expenses."

Fund records indicate University Health Center submitted a claim for a comprehensive periodic preventive medicine re-evaluation with the diagnoses "gynecological examination, screening examination for venereal disease, high-risk sexual behavior, and dysmenorrhea". LabCorp also submitted a claim for multiple STD tests with the diagnosis "gynecological examination". The claims were denied because the treatment was considered routine in nature, and therefore, not a benefit of the Plan.

After the appeal was received, a letter was mailed to the participant's daughter and University Health Center on June 24, 2013, requesting complete medical records for this visit in order to verify the nature of the treatment. To date, there has been no response to this request.

Note: To date, the Fund office has not received a claim for a pap smear on this date of service.

ACTION:

Approved

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Denied

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COMMENTS: