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Policy GNG 1799

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Attn:

Dear Len:

When you were in Omaha we agreed to give you some guidelines for processing claims involving "attempted suicide" and certain complications of maternity.

The policy provides benefits for expenses incurred for accidental bodily injuries or sickness, so contractually no self inflicted condition is covered. However, there are some cases where we feel an exception can be made. We are agreeable to providing coverage for self inflicted injuries if the person was under psychiatric care at the time of the injury.

In cases of an overdose of drugs, each claim should be handled on its own merits. If the hospital record or the attending physician's statement does not indicate an intentional overdose or suicidal attempt, the claim may be paid.

*Does this mean if hospital shows only overdose we do not report this statement?
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There are certain complications of pregnancy which involve a sickness which could possibly exist without the pregnancy. Some of these conditions are a direct result of the pregnancy and others are aggravated by the pregnancy. The most common of these are kidney or other urinary diseases. When conditions such as this exist at the same time as pregnancy, it is necessary to obtain the statement from the attending physician. All expenses should be considered as part of the pregnancy claim unless the attending physician confirms that additional expenses were incurred because of a sickness which existed inter-

pendent of the pregnancy and would have been present without the pregnancy.

Sincerely,

George

G.D. Edson, Secretary
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