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**Bakers Union and FELRA Health and Welfare Fund**

EMPLOYER: Safeway  
DATE OF HIRE: May 8, 2006  
PLAN: 2

LOCAL: 118  
STATUS: Full Time

ISSUE: Hospital/Medical – Excluded Services

#M20/113-3839

**FUND RULE:**  
"General Exclusions

31. Treatment for learning disabilities, hyperkinetic syndromes, mental retardation, developmental delay, attention deficit disorders, autism or oppositional defiant disorders is not covered. This exclusion does not apply to diagnostic testing to determine the existence of such conditions."

(Bakers Union and FELRA Health and Welfare Fund SPD, July 2016, Page 116, #31)

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| <b>SUMMARY:</b> | Date(s) of Service: | March 30, 2020, April 28, 2020, June 1, 2020, and July 6, 2020 |
|                 | Claim(s) Received:  | June 22, 2020 through August 24, 2020                          |
|                 | Claim(s) Denied:    | June 23, 2020 through August 25, 2020                          |
|                 | Appeal Received:    | August 31, 2020                                                |

The **participant** is appealing for payment of claims for her 17-year-old son (DOB: 6-12-2003) that were denied. The participant states that her son's doctor recommended a psychiatrist to help him with his "problems of attention at school." The participant further states that the treatment has greatly helped her son and she would appreciate all the help that the Fund can provide in covering these expenses. Included with the appeal was a letter from Dr. Melody Unikel stating, "[The participant's son] is a patient at Virginia Pediatric Group. During his last well check we discussed concerns about mental health and academic performance. It was my recommendation that he be seen by a psychiatrist for evaluation and treatment."

Fund records indicate Neta, Inc. submitted claims for psychiatric services rendered on March 30, 2020, April 28, 2020, June 1, 2020, and July 6, 2020 with the diagnosis "Attention-deficit hyperactivity disorder, predominantly inattentive type." The claims were denied because the treatment of attention deficit disorders is specifically excluded from coverage under the Fund.

ACTION:  
COMMENTS:

Approved

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Denied

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