

TEMPLATE GG(5)

NOTICE FOR DENIAL OF REQUEST TO DISPUTE FINANCIAL LIABILITY

THIS IS NOT A BILL

[Date Notice Mailed (date decision is made to deny request to dispute financial liability)]

Member Name
Address
City, State Zip

Member ID: *****

Dear **[Member Name]**:

[PH-MCO Name] has reviewed your disagreement with **[PH-MCO Name's]** decision that you have to pay **[describe financial liability]** to **[Provider's Name]** for the **[identify specific service/item]** you received on **[date of service]**.

[PH-MCO Name] has denied your request because: **[Explain in detail, at a 6th grade level, every reason for denial. In addition to explanation for decision, paraphrase references to approved criteria, rules, and/or protocols on which the decision is based. If under the age of 21, denial must be based on medical necessity. If a member under the age of 21 is denied because of insufficient information to determine medical necessity, it must be clear that a medical necessity determination could not be reached with the available information and all information needed to render a decision must be listed. If denied because of insufficient information and 21 or older, identify all additional information needed to render decision.]**

IF YOU DO NOT AGREE WITH THIS DECISION, YOU MAY FILE A COMPLAINT with **[PH-MCO Name]** within 60 days from the date you get this notice. **[PH-MCO Name]** will tell you its decision about your Complaint within **[30, unless the PH-MCO will be using a shorter time frame to provide notice of 1st level Complaint decisions]** days from when **[PH-MCO Name]** gets your Complaint.

To file a Complaint:

By Phone: Call **[PH-MCO Name]** at **[Phone# & Toll-free TTY/PA RELAY #]**;

By Fax: Fax the "Complaint/Grievance Request Form" or a letter to **[PH-MCO FAX #]**; or

By Mail: Mail the "Complaint/Grievance Request Form" or a letter to the following address:

**[PH-MCO ADDRESS
FOR FILING COMPLAINT/GRIEVANCE]**

If you file a Complaint, you may ask **[PH-MCO Name]** to see any information that **[PH-MCO Name]** used to make this decision, at no cost to you. To request information used to make this decision:

- Call **[PH-MCO Name]** at **[PH-MCO Phone # & Toll Free TTY/PA RELAY]**; or
- Check Box 2 on the “Complaint/Grievance Request Form”; or
- Send a letter.

Send the form or letter to the following:

Fax number: **[PH-MCO FAX #]**

Mailing address:

[ADDRESS FOR REQUESTING INFORMATION USED TO MAKE A DECISION]

If you need help filing a Complaint, you can call **[PH-MCO Name]** at **[Phone# & Toll-free TTY/PA RELAY #]**.

To ask for free legal help with filing a Complaint, you can call:

- Pennsylvania Health Law Project at 1-800-274-3258 (www.phlp.org)
- Pennsylvania Legal Aid Network at 1-800-322-7572 (www.palegalaid.net)

Sincerely,

[PH-MCO Name]

cc: **[Provider]**

COMPLAINT/GRIEVANCE REQUEST FORM

Member: _____ **Member ID:** _____

Parent/Guardian: _____ **Phone number:** _____

Address: _____

Date on the Notice of Decision: _____

1. Check how you would like to be present at the review of your Complaint/Grievance:

- BY TELEPHONE** (You will be sent the date and time of the review. You will be called at the phone number you provided above.)
- BY VIDEOCONFERENCE [PH-MCO to include only if available]** (You will be sent the date, time and location of the review.)
- IN PERSON** (You will be sent the date, time, and location of the review.)
- NOT BE PRESENT** (You can change your mind at any time. You will be sent the date and time of the Complaint. The decision on your Complaint or Grievance will not be affected if you are not present.)

2. Would you like a copy of the information [PH-MCO Name] used to make the decision you are filing a Complaint/Grievance about? Yes No

3. Do you need an interpreter or language services? Yes No Language? _____
(Interpreter and language services will be provided free of charge)

4. Why do you disagree with [PH-MCO Name]'s decision? (Attach more pages if needed. You will be able to explain why you disagree during the review.)

5. If someone will be helping you with your Complaint, please provide his or her information:

(If you do not yet have anyone helping you, just leave this blank and you can let [PH-MCO Name] know later if someone will be helping you.)

Representative's name and phone number: _____

Representative's address: _____

Relation to Member: _____

Member's Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Send to: [PH-MCO Complaint address and PH-MCO Complaint fax #]

[NONDISCRIMINATION NOTICE/LEP/LANGUAGE ACCESS INFORMATION HERE]