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RE: Letter of Medical Necessity for Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP)

Patient Name: [Patient Full Name]

Date of Birth: [DOB]

Member ID: [ID Number]

Provider/Facility: [Facility Name]

To Whom It May Concern,

I am writing to formally justify the medical necessity for [Patient Name] to be admitted to a Psychiatric Partial Hospitalization Program (PHP). Based on my recent clinical evaluation, the patient requires a structured, multi-disciplinary level of care that exceeds the capabilities of traditional outpatient therapy.

Clinical Presentation and Diagnosis:

The patient meets the criteria for [Primary Diagnosis/ICD-10 Code]. Current symptoms include:

- [Symptom 1: e.g., Severe depressive episodes]
- [Symptom 2: e.g., Acute anxiety interfering with daily functioning]
- [Symptom 3: e.g., Passive suicidal ideation without immediate plan]

Justification for PHP Level of Care:

The patient is currently experiencing a significant decline in global functioning. PHP is necessary because:

- The patient requires daily medical monitoring and medication management.
- Traditional outpatient treatment (once weekly) has proven insufficient to stabilize the patient's condition.
- The patient is at high risk for inpatient psychiatric hospitalization if this intensive intervention is not provided.
- The patient possesses a stable living environment to return to at night but lacks the coping mechanisms to remain safe or functional during the day without professional oversight.

Treatment Plan:

While in PHP, the patient will receive [Number] hours of therapy per day, including individual counseling, group therapy, and psychiatric medication titration. The goal of this treatment is to [Goal: e.g., stabilize mood, reduce self-harm risk, and transition to intensive outpatient care].

In summary, the Partial Hospitalization Program is the least restrictive environment that can safely and effectively treat the patient's current psychiatric acuity. Please contact me at [Phone Number] if further information is required.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

[Printed Name and Credentials]

[NPI Number]

[Facility/Practice Name]