An example of a letter of medical necessity

Your healthcare provider is responsible for drafting an LMN. The letters can look slightly different, depending on specific healthcare requirements.

Here's a sample template for an LMN.

[Date]

[Payer's name]

[Payer's address]

[Patient's name]

[Patient's date of birth]

[Patient's group/policy number]

[Policyholder name]

[Dates of service]

Dear [Contact name/medical director]:

I am writing on behalf of my patient, [patient name], to document the medical necessity for the following [treatment/service/equipment].

This letter offers insights into my patient's medical history and diagnosis and outlines my treatment rationale. Please consult the enclosed [list any enclosures] for further details.

Summary of patient's clinical history:

[Patient name] is [age] years old and has been diagnosed with [condition] as of [date]. [Patient name] has been in my care since [date].

[Brief description of the patient's medical history, prior treatments and current symptoms and conditions. Referencing any relevant medical reports, test results or clinical notes.]

Treatment plan and rationale:

[Detailed explanation of the treatment plan, reasons for the treatment and clinical rationale using supporting research, medical guidelines and clinical evidence to substantiate the recommendation.]

Closing statement:

In summary, [treatment/service/equipment] is medically necessary to effectively address my patient's health condition and improve their overall well-being. Please consider coverage or reimbursement for the mentioned [treatment/service/equipment] on behalf of [patient's name].

If you have any questions, you can reach me at [phone number] or via email at [email address].

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,
[Physician's signature]
[Physician's typed name and credentials]

Enclosures:

[List of enclosures, which may include: clinical notes, medical records, diagnostic test results, research studies, photographs or images, insurance documentation, etc.]