

**SAMPLE OF A LETTER OF MEDICAL NECESSITY SOAP NOTE; TREATING PHYSICIAN  
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**Subjective:**

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**Objective:**

The patient had an extended visit today to review the functional evaluation results (report attached) and the review included:

- Review and interpretation of the NIOSH test results and records
- Review and interpretation of muscle assessment test results and records
- Review and interpretation of range of motion test results and records
- Review and interpretation of the whole person impairment ratings
- Review and interpretation of the regional impairment ratings

**Assessment:**

The above company utilizes a patented "computer-aided multiple standard-based functional evaluation and medical reporting system (patent no. 9,940,437)" and this computerized, calibrated, and sophisticated system consummates reliability, reproducibility, and consistency of effort; I don't have comparable equipment to achieve such a high accuracy of measurements.

As I am the treating Doctor, I feel that this patient needs a more comprehensive musculoskeletal evaluation (of which I don't have the capability of performing in my office), therefore I referred this patient to an independent company that performs functional evaluations. My comprehensive initial exam does not give me the specific details needed to measure specifically functional loss.

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The above company utilizes a computerized evaluation system that will allow me to establish a baseline for this patient's functional abilities, and then guide care; the data of this test will assist me in either validating my current treatment protocol or allow me to modify the patient's treatment protocol by adding or adjusting and/or continuing the treatment plan.

This test will allow me to evaluate, diagnose, and treat my patient in a progressive and **evidence based manner**. Subsequent tests will allow me to establish **global physical function analysis and clinical meaningful improvement in function**.

The test results will be utilized to determine **pharmacological efficacy, global assessment of disease activity, objectification of functional and pain analysis**.

**Plan:**

Based on the results, the patient showed loss of function consistent with the patient's condition. The functional losses and the deficits the test demonstrates are resembling the patients' subjective complaints.

The results were discussed with the patient and the patient was educated about the baseline study and the functional losses it demonstrates.

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