***Letter of Medical Necessity***

Date: *Month, Day, Year*

TO: *Insurance Company*

FROM: *Physician Name*

SUBJECT: Request for coverage/ reimbursement for Compleat® tube feeding formula.

I am requesting insurance coverage and reimbursement on behalf of my patient, *Name/Date of Birth****.***I have prescribed Compleat® formula, manufactured by Nestlé HealthCare Nutrition, Inc. for the dietary management of *Diagnosis or Condition.*

*Verify medical necessity for formula, including: diagnosis, documented failure or intolerance to other formulas, current HT/WT/IBW, history of wt loss, pertinent lab results, medications, potential outcome if formula were denied.*

Compleat® formula is a nutritionally complete enteral formula designed for patients age 13 to adult that may benefit from a formula with real food ingredients. This product is intended for the nutritional management of those with feeding issues associated with developmental disabilities and/ or those requiring a long term tube feeding regimen who desire a real food component. Compleat® formula is a medical food intended for use under the supervision of a medical professional. There is a concern that an individual who is denied coverage for a commercially blenderized formula may try to prepare a “homemade” formula, thus increasing the potential for bacterial contamination and nutrient variability.

Compleat® formula is recognized by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) as “an enteral formula, blenderized natural foods with intact nutrients, includes proteins, fats, carbohydrates, vitamins and minerals, may include fiber, administered through an enteral feeding tube”, found in HCPCS Category B4149.

Thank you for taking the time to review this request. Please contact me should you require any additional information.

Sincerely,

Signature:

Name:

Title:

Attachments: *If relevant, include pertinent information supporting evidence of medical necessity and product information. Please refer to* [*www.NestleHealthScience.us*](http://www.NestleHealthScience.us) *for product information.*