

## **Is the Examination Sufficient?**

1) Is the examination signed?

- If the examination was performed by a non-VA provider, we also need a phone number and their medical license number.

**YES**            **NO**

2) Was the examination performed by the appropriate physician?

- Mental Health
  - certified or eligible psychiatrists
  - licensed doctorate-level psychologists
  - the following mental health professionals under the close supervision of one of the above:
    - doctorate-level mental health providers
    - clinical or counseling psychologist completing an internship or residency
    - nurse practitioners
    - physician assistants
    - psychiatry residents
    - licensed clinical social workers
    - clinical nurse specialists
- Audio
  - Hearing Loss: state-licensed audiologist
  - Tinnitus: anyone (as long as a hearing loss examination is of record)
- Dental
  - Dental Claims: dentist
  - TMJ: anyone
- Eye
  - licensed optometrist
  - licensed ophthalmologist

**YES**            **NO**

3) Do(es) the examination(s) address all the claimed issues?

**YES**            **NO**

- Which issue(s) is/are missing?

4) Did the examiner answer all questions?

**YES**            **NO**

- Which questions were not answered?

5) Is any pertinent information missing?

**YES**            **NO**

- What information is missing?

6) Was a condition diagnosed?

**YES**            **NO**

- If a new diagnosis was provided, did the examiner provide rationale for the new diagnosis?

**YES**            **NO**