Is the Exam Sufficient?

☐ Is the exam signed?
  ○ If the exam was performed by a non-VA provider, we also need a phone number
    and their medical license number.

☐ Was the exam 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

☐ Do(es) the exam(s) address all the claimed issues?

☐ Did the examiner answer all questions?

☐ Is any pertinent information missing?

☐ Was a condition diagnosed?
  ○ If a new diagnosis was provided, did the examiner provide rationale for the new
    diagnosis?