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Appellant Name and Address:



Appeal Decision: Dismissed Appeal Number: 2112365

Decision Date: 9/17/2021 **Hearing Date:** 06/09/2021

Hearing Officer: Christopher Jones Record Open 07/27/2021

Appearance for Appellant:

Appearance for MassHealth:

Didr Halawidd Kapidan



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APPEAL DECISION

Appeal Decision: Dismissed Issue: Prior Authorization –

Orthodontia

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MassHealth's Rep.: Dr. Harold Kaplan Appellant's Rep.:

Hearing Location: Quincy Harbor South Aid Pending: No

Tower

Procedural Background

This hearing was conducted pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 118E, Chapter 30A, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. The issue on appeal was MassHealth's March 3, 2021 denial of the appellant's prior authorization request for orthodontia. Exhibit 2. The appellant timely appealed on March 29, 2021. Exhibit 2; 130 CMR 610.015(B). At the hearing, MassHealth's representative overturned the denial of orthodontia because they agreed that the HLD score was over 22. The appellant's representative requested that the appeal be dismissed to document the agency's actions.¹

As no issue on appeal remains in dispute, this matter is DISMISSED pursuant to 130 CMR 610.051(B).

Christopher Jones Hearing Officer Board of Hearings

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¹ During the day of 12 hearings, MassHealth overturned three of the denials. The appellant withdrew three appeals, accepting that they did not qualify for orthodontia.