

Office of Medicaid BOARD OF HEARINGS

Appellant Name and Address:



Appeal Decision:	Dismissed	Appeal Number:	2112451
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:

Dr. Harold Kaplan



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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.:	[REDACTED]
Hearing Location:	Quincy Harbor South Tower	Aid Pending:	No

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 February 18, 2021 denial of the appellant's prior authorization request for orthodontia. Exhibit 2. The appellant timely appealed on March 31, 2021. Exhibit 2; 130 CMR 610.015(B); see also EOM 20-09 (Apr. 7, 2020). At the hearing, MassHealth's representative overturned the denial of orthodontia because they agreed that there was an anterior impaction. 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
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¹ During the day of 12 hearings, MassHealth overturned three of the denials and the appellant withdrew three appeals, accepting that they did not qualify for orthodontia.