

Office of Medicaid BOARD OF HEARINGS

Appellant Name and Address:



Appeal Decision:	Dismissed	Appeal Number:	2177698
Decision Date:	11/26/2021	Hearing Date:	11/09/2021
Hearing Officer:	Samantha Kurkijy	Record Open Date:	11/12/2021

Appearances for Appellant:
Pro se

Appearances for MassHealth:
Omar Garcia—Chelsea MEC



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APPEAL DECISION

Appeal Decision:	Dismissed	Issue:	Eligibility
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MassHealth's Rep.:	Omar Garcia	Appellant's Rep.:	Pro se
Hearing Location:	Remote	Aid Pending:	No

This hearing was conducted pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 118E, Chapter 30A, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. The issue on appeal involves MassHealth's determination that the appellant's coverage would change to MassHealth Senior Buy-In benefits due to excess countable assets.

A hearing was held on November 9, 2021. The MassHealth representative testified that the appellant's MassHealth Standard coverage was changed to MassHealth Senior Buy-In with Health Safety Net benefits due to excess countable assets. The record was held open until November 10, 2021 for the appellant to submit evidence that she was under the countable asset limit for MassHealth Standard benefits. MassHealth was given until November 12, 2021 to respond. On November 23, 2021, the MassHealth representative reported that the appellant submitted an updated bank statement that day which showed her assets had been reduced. He reported that the appellant is eligible for MassHealth Standard with Buy-In benefits as of July 1, 2021 with no gap in coverage.¹

The issue on appeal has been resolved. Therefore, the appeal is dismissed. The appellant has appeal rights as to the new MassHealth notice that issues.

Samantha Kurkcy
Hearing Officer
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cc:
MassHealth Representative: Nancy Hazlett

¹ The documentation submitted outside the record open period was allowed into evidence. (Exhibit 6.)