

# Office of Medicaid BOARD OF HEARINGS

**Appellant Name and Address:**



<b>Appeal Decision:</b>	Dismissed	<b>Appeal Number:</b>	2177853
<b>Decision Date:</b>	02/02/2022	<b>Hearing Date:</b>	11/15/2021
<b>Hearing Officer:</b>	Rebecca Brochstein	<b>Record Closed:</b>	01/21/2022

**Appearances for Appellant:**



**Appearances for MassHealth:**

Stephanie DeSousa, Taunton MEC



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## APPEAL DECISION

<b>Appeal Decision:</b>	Dismissed	<b>Issue:</b>	Long-term care eligibility
<b>Decision Date:</b>	02/02/2022	<b>Hearing Date:</b>	11/15/2021
<b>MassHealth's Rep.:</b>	Stephanie DeSousa, Taunton MEC	<b>Appellant's Rep.:</b>	[REDACTED]
<b>Hearing Location:</b>	Board of Hearings (Remote)		

This hearing was conducted pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 118E, Chapter 30A, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder. The issue on appeal involved MassHealth's denial of the appellant's long-term care application due to excess assets. At hearing, the appellant's representative indicated that he was in the process of helping to cash out a life insurance policy, which would allow for a spend-down. The record was held open after hearing (and the record-open period was subsequently extended) for him to provide evidence that the assets had been spent down. The MassHealth representative subsequently confirmed that the assets had been spent down and that the application would be processed.

As the asset issue has been resolved, this appeal is dismissed.

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Rebecca Brochstein  
Hearing Officer  
Board of Hearings

cc: Taunton MEC

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