## Office of Medicaid BOARD OF HEARINGS

## **Appellant Name and Address:**



Appeal Decision: Dismissed Appeal Number: 2303849

**Decision Date:** 6/20/2023 **Hearing Date:** 06/09/2023

Hearing Officer: Alexis Demirjian Record Open to: June 30, 2023

Appearance for Appellant:

Appellant Representative

Appearance for MassHealth:

Kristine Denucce-Simms, Springfield MEC



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## APPEAL DECISION

Appeal Decision: Dismissed Issue: Eligibility – Ending

Coverage/PHE

Protections

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MassHealth's Rep.: Kristine Denucce- Appellant's Rep.:

Simms

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 involved a notice issued on April 4, 2023, that indicted that the Appellant's MassHealth Standard Long Term Care coverage was ending effective April 18, 2023, because MassHealth did not receive information it required to determine continued eligibility. The April 4, 2022 notice was the result of a request for information/renewal that originally generated in 2022.

A record open period was held for MassHealth to review whether the Appellant was still protected under the wind-down Public Health Emergency ("PHE") guidance found in EOM 23-13.

On June 14, 2023, MassHealth reported that the Appellant fell under the protections of EOM 23-13 because the Appellant had previously been protected under the PHE and his eligibility has not yet gone through the renewal process.

Accordingly, MassHealth rescinded the April 4, 2023 notice and issued a new approval notice for MassHealth Standard Long Term Care services effective April 1, 2023, thus the Appellant experienced no gap in coverage.

As the issue of termination of coverage has been resolved, the appeal is dismissed.

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Alexis Demirjian Hearing Officer Board of Hearings

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