

Office of Medicaid BOARD OF HEARINGS

Appellant Name and Address:



Appeal Decision:	Dismissed	Appeal Number:	2305012
Decision Date:	8/30/2023	Hearing Date:	08/29/2023
Hearing Officer:	Thomas Doyle	Record Open to:	

Appearance for Appellant:
[Redacted] Appeal Representative

Appearance for MassHealth:
Mary Jo Elliot, R.N.

Interpreter:



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APPEAL DECISION

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MassHealth's Rep.:	Mary Jo Elliot, R.N.	Appellant's Rep.:	
Hearing Location:	Remote (phone)	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 hearing was convened, the parties appeared by telephone and were sworn. Exhibits 1 through 7 were marked as evidence. The issue on appeal involved prior authorization for PCA services and modifications.

After hearing the appeal representative's testimony, the MassHealth representative agreed to reinstate the time for Undressing to 7 minutes an episode from the 5 minute MassHealth modification. The appeal representative agreed to the reinstatement of time. The tasks of Bathing, Dressing, Assistance with Medications, Meal Preparation, Laundry, Housekeeping and Shopping were also modified by MassHealth. After testimony and explanation of the modifications to these tasks by the MassHealth representative, at the conclusion of the hearing, the appeal representative agreed to withdraw the appeal as an agreement was reached between the parties involving all disputed/modified tasks.

As the appeal has been withdrawn, it is hereby dismissed. 130 CMR 610.035 (A)(2).

Implementation of this Decision

If this decision is not implemented within 30 days after the date of this decision, you should contact your MassHealth Enrollment Center. If you experience problems with the implementation of this decision, you should report this in writing to the Director of the Board of Hearings, at the address on the first page of this decision.

Thomas Doyle
Hearing Officer
Board of Hearings

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