Office of Medicaid BOARD OF HEARINGS

Appellant Name and Address:



Appeal Decision: Dismissed Appeal Number: 2305215

Decision Date: 8/4/2023 **Hearing Date:** 07/31/2023

Hearing Officer: Christopher Jones

Appearance for Appellant:

Appearance for MassHealth:

Dr. Harold Kaplan

Interpreter:

Andri Matos - ITI



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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.: Mother

Hearing Location: Remote Aid Pending: No

Procedural Background & Outcome

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 June 14, 2023 denial of the appellant's prior authorization request for interceptive orthodontia. (Exhibit 1.) The appellant timely appealed on June 26, 2023. (Exhibit 2; 130 CMR 610.015(B).)

At the hearing, MassHealth's representative overturned the denial, agreeing that the appellant qualified for Interceptive Orthodontia. (Testimony.) As MassHealth and the appellant have resolved all issues on appeal, this matter is DISMISSED pursuant to 130 CMR 610.051(B).

If this action is not implemented within 30 days after the date of this decision, you should contact your DentaQuest.¹ 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.

Christopher Jones Hearing Officer Board of Hearings

cc: MassHealth Representative: DentaQuest 2, MA

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¹ MassHealth's representative explained that it may take DentaQuest four to six weeks to implement this decision; the appellant's provider will be notified directly by DentaQuest.