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Appellant Name and Address:



Appeal Decision: Dismissed **Appeal Number:** 2307551

Decision Date: 12/21/2023 **Hearing Date:** 09/25/2023

Hearing Officer: Kimberly Scanlon **Record Open to:** 12/07/2023

Appearance for Appellant:

Appearance for MassHealth:

Via telephone Kim McAvinchey



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APPEAL DECISION

Appeal Decision: Dismissed Issue: Eligibility; Over 65;

Long-term care; Over

income

Decision Date: 12/21/2023 **Hearing Date:** 09/25/2023

MassHealth's Rep.: Kim McAvinchey Appellant's Rep.:

Hearing Location: Tewksbury **Aid Pending:** No

MassHealth Enrollment Center

Room 2 (Remote)

Procedural Background

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 August 14, 2023 denial of the Appellant's long-term care application because MassHealth determined that she was over the allowable income limits. (130 CMR 520.009; 520.028; Exhibit 1). The Appellant timely appealed on or about August 25, 2023. (130 CMR 610.015(B); Exhibit 2).

Following the hearing, the record was left open until October 6, 2023 for the Appellant to submit the pertinent income documentation. (Exhibit 6). The Appellant subsequently requested to further extend the record open period until October 23, 2023. (BassHealth requested to further extend the record open period until November 23, 2023. (Exhibit 7). MassHealth requested an additional extension of the record open period until December 7, 2023. (Exhibit 8). On December 5, 2023, MassHealth responded that the Appellant's verifications have been reviewed and approved the Appellant's long-term care application, with the earliest eligibility start date of April 29, 2023. (Exhibit 9).

As no issue on the appeal of the August 14, 2023 denial notice remains in dispute, this matter is dismissed pursuant to 130 CMR 610.051(B). Any subsequent notices issued by MassHealth to the Appellant may be separately appealed.

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