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Appellant Name and Address:



Appeal Decision: Dismissed Appeal Number: 2309686

Decision Date: 11/21/2023 **Hearing Date:** 11/16/2023

Hearing Officer: Mariah Burns

Appearance for Appellant: Appearance for MassHealth:

Pro se Melanie Almeida, Quincy MassHealth

Enrollment Center



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APPEAL DECISION

Appeal Decision: Dismissed Issue: Under 65; Eligibility

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MassHealth's Rep.: Appellant's Rep.: Pro se

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. At issue was a notice dated October 12, 2023, denying MassHealth eligibility to the appellant's minor child due to him having other health insurance. At hearing, the MassHealth representative agreed that this was not a valid reason to deny benefits and rescinded the notice. As such, the issue on appeal has resolved.

However, two issues remain. The first issue is that, based on the appellant's representations, the family appears to be over income to qualify for MassHealth Standard, CarePlus, or Family Assistance. MassHealth should undergo a full financial evaluation of the appellant's case and issue a notice with appeal rights accordingly. The second issue is that the appellant's child may qualify for MassHealth CommonHealth, but the appellant must undergo the disability verification process. This appeal is hereby dismissed due to the resolution of the issue on appeal, but the appellant's appeal rights for any subsequently issued notice are preserved.

Order for MassHealth

Conduct a full financial evaluation determination for the appellant's account and issue a notice with new appeal rights accordingly.

Mariah Burns Hearing Officer Board of Hearings

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