Office of Medicaid BOARD OF HEARINGS

Appellant Name and Address:



Appeal Decision: Dismissed Appeal Number: 2309810

Decision Date: 12/01/2023 **Hearing Date:** 11/15/2023

Hearing Officer: David Jacobs Record Open to: 11/29/2023

Appearance for Appellant:

Appearance for United Healthcare:

Sophia Beauport-Lafontant, Charlestown MEC Worker



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APPEAL DECISION

Appeal Decision: Dismissed Issue: Verifications

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MassHealth Rep: Sophia Beauport-

Lafontant

Appellant's Rep.:

Hearing Location: Remote Aid Pending:

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 the appellant's benefits being changed from MassHealth Standard to Senior Buy-in due to her being over assets (Exhibit 1). Both parties appeared at the hearing telephonically. MassHealth was represented by Sophia Beauport-Lafontant, and the appellant was represented by her son,

The MassHealth worker testified that the excess assets were located in a life insurance policy and bank accounts belonging to the appellant. Before the hearing the life insurance policy was found to be abated and not to be counted towards the appellant's assets, leaving only the bank accounts. The appellant representative conceded to the facts and requested time to spend down assets from the identified bank accounts. The hearing officer agreed and held record open until November 22, 2023 for the appellant representative to submit proof of the spend down (Exhibit 6). MassHealth was given until November 29, 2023 to review the submitted documents (Exhibit 6). On November 17, 2023, the appellant representative submitted bank statements showing proof of the spend down (Exhibit 7). On November 27, 2023, the MassHealth representative sent an email stating that the submitted documents were satisfactory, and the appellant was now open on MassHealth Standard effective November 1, 2023.

As the appellant is now open on MassHealth Standard this appeal is dismissed as moot.

David Jacobs Hearing Officer Board of Hearings cc:

Charlestown MEC

