Office of Medicaid BOARD OF HEARINGS

Appellant Name and Address:



Appeal Decision: Approved; Dismissed Appeal Number: 2311210

Decision Date: 12/6/2023 **Hearing Date:** 12/05/2023

Hearing Officer: Emily T. Sabo

Appearance for Appellant:

Appearance for MassHealth:

Joseph Sommer, Charlestown MEC

Interpreter:

Pro se



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APPEAL DECISION

Appeal Decision: Approved; Dismissed Issue: Eligibility Renewal;

Under 65

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MassHealth's Rep.: Joseph Sommer, Appellant's Rep.: Pro se

Charlestown MEC

Hearing Location: Charlestown Aid Pending: No

MassHealth

Enrollment Center

(Telephone)

Authority

This hearing was conducted pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 118E, Chapter 30A, and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder.

Jurisdiction

Through a notice dated October 23, 2023, MassHealth notified the Appellant that it was terminating her MassHealth coverage because she did not complete her annual eligibility renewal within the allowed time frame (see 130 CMR 520.007(C)(2) and Exhibit 1). The appellant filed this appeal in a timely manner on November 8, 2023 (see 130 CMR 610.015(B) and Exhibit 2).

At the hearing, the Appellant appeared telephonically, verified her identity, and requested an interpreter, who was provided. The MassHealth representative testified that after filing the appeal, the Appellant submitted the renewal information. The MassHealth representative testified that he was able to reinstate the Appellant's MassHealth Standard for the Appellant and her two children without a gap in coverage. The MassHealth representative explained that if the Appellant has medical bills from that time period, she may submit them to MassHealth. The MassHealth representative testified that there is one request for information outstanding, which is that the Appellant must provide MassHealth with the requested information on her children's noncustodial

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parent by February 1, 2024.1

Because MassHealth approved MassHealth Standard for the Appellant and her children without a gap in coverage, there are no longer any issues in dispute. Therefore, this appeal is dismissed. (130 CMR 610.035(A)(8)).

Order for MassHealth

If MassHealth has not already done so, approve the Appellant and her two children for MassHealth Standard without a gap in coverage.

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.

Emily T. Sabo, Esq. Hearing Officer Board of Hearings

cc:

MassHealth Representative: Nga Tran, Charlestown MassHealth Enrollment Center, 529 Main Street, Suite 1M, Charlestown, MA 02129

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¹ The MassHealth representative also stated that if the Appellant needed further assistance, she was welcome to visit the MassHealth Enrollment Center at 21 Spring Street, Taunton, MA 02780.