## Office of Medicaid BOARD OF HEARINGS

## **Appellant Name and Address:**



Appeal Decision: Dismissed Appeal Number: 2312036

**Decision Date:** 12/26/2023 **Hearing Date:** 12/20/2023

Hearing Officer: David Jacobs Record Open to: 1/10/2024

Appearance for Appellant:

Pro se

Appearance for United Healthcare: Raybryana Dasher, Taunton MEC



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## APPEAL DECISION

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MassHealth Rep: Raybryana Dasher 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 eligibility being changed from MassHealth CommonHealth to Senior buy-in because she turned 65 years of age and is over income for MassHealth CommonHealth.

During the hearing the MassHealth worker explained that to maintain the appellant's CommonHealth benefits she would need to submit a letter showing that the appellant is doing some sort of work that meets MassHealth's standards. The appellant's niece appeared on her behalf and testified that she understood the requirements and would submit such a letter as the appellant is paid to watch her grandchildren. The record was held open to January 3, 2024 for the appellant to submit the letter and until January 10, 2024 for MassHealth to review it (Exhibit 5). Later the same day of the hearing, the MassHealth worker followed up with an email explaining that if the appellant was found eligible for MassHealth CommonHealth she would no longer be eligible for Senior Buy-in (Exhibit 4). The appellant's niece responded that after discussing it with the appellant they preferred to keep the Senior Buy-in (Exhibit 4).

As the appellant now agrees with the actions of MassHealth, this appeal is dismissed as moot.

David Jacobs Hearing Officer Board of Hearings

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