

STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH P.O. Box 11729 Albany, NY 12211

#### Notice of Decision

Decision Date: June 05, 2017

NY State of Health Account ID:

Appeal Identification Number: AP000000015865



Dear ,

On May 17, 2017, you appeared by telephone at a hearing on your appeal of NY State of Health's January 11, 2017 denial notice.

The enclosed Decision, rendered after that hearing, is issued by the Appeals Unit of NY State of Health.

If you have questions about your Decision, you can contact us by:

- Calling the Customer Service Center at 1-855-355-5777
- Sending Mail to:

NY State of Health Appeals P.O. Box 11729 Albany, NY 12211

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When contacting NY State of Health about your appeal and/or the Decision, please refer to the Appeal Identification number and the Account ID at the top of this notice.

# **Legal Authority**

We are sending you this notice in accordance with 45 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) § 155.545.



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#### Issue

The issue presented for review by the Appeals Unit of NY State of Health is:

Did NY State of Health properly determine that were not eligible for MAGI-based Medicaid?

# Procedural History

On January 10, 2017, NY State of Health (NYSOH) received your application for financial assistance with health insurance.

On January 11, 2017, NYSOH issued a denial notice stating that you were unable to receive health insurance through NYSOH because you were receiving Medicare Public MEC.

On February 15, 2017, you spoke to NYSOH's Account Review Unit and appealed the denial notice insofar as it related to your ineligibility for Medicaid.

On May 17, 2017, you had a telephone hearing with a Hearing Officer from NYSOH's Appeals Unit. The record was developed during the hearing and left open until June 1, 2017 to allow you time to submit additional documentation.

On May 30, 2017, the NYSOH's Appeals Unit received the additional documentation. The documentation was marked as Appellant's Exhibit #1, and the record was closed that same day.

# **Findings of Fact**

A review of the record supports the following findings of fact:

- 1) You are seeking insurance for yourself.
- 2) You testified that you previously received Social Security Disability Benefits but that you no longer receive those benefits.
- 3) The record indicates that on May 30, 2017 you uploaded two letters from the Social Security Administration which state that your disability benefits were stopped as of April 2011.
- You further testified that you do not have access to coverage through Medicare.
- 5) Information contained in the system shows that you have Medicaid coverage through the Local Department of Social Services or NYC Human Resources Administration.

Conflicting evidence, if any, was considered and found to be less credible than the evidence noted above.

# **Applicable Law and Regulations**

#### Medicaid

An individual is eligible for enrollment in Medicaid through NYSOH (called MAGI-based Medicaid) when he or she meets certain nonfinancial criteria and has a household income that is at or below the applicable Medicaid income standard (45 CFR § 155.305(c); N.Y. Soc. Serv. Law § 366(1)(b)).

In general, to qualify for MAGI-based Medicaid through NYSOH, you must also be one of the following:

- An adult aged 19-64 who is not eligible for Medicare Part A or Part B,
- A pregnant woman or infant,
- A child aged 1-18, or
- A parent or caretaker relative

(45 CFR § 155.305(c); N.Y. Soc. Serv. Law § 366(1)(b)).

If an individual does not fall into one of these categories, he or she may still be eligible for non-MAGI-based Medicaid coverage through their Local Department

of Social Services or the New York City Human Resources Administration (see N.Y. Soc. Serv. Law § 366(1)(c)).

# Legal Analysis

The issue for review is whether NYSOH properly determined that you were not eligible for Medicaid through NYSOH.

Medicaid through NYSOH (called MAGI-based Medicaid) is available to individuals who are between the ages of the medicare Parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the medicare parts A or B; pregnant women or infants A or B; pregnant women or

You testified that you previously received Medicare through the Social Services Administration because of a disability claim, but that you no longer receive those benefits. You submitted documentation that confirms that you stopped receiving disability benefits as of April 2011. Therefore, there is sufficient information in the record that indicates you no longer have access to Medicare benefits.

However, in the present instance, the record reflects that you are enrolled in Medicaid through your Local Department of Social Services or NYC Human Resources Administration. As such, you are not eligible for Medicaid through NYSOH.

As a result, NYSOH incorrectly determined that you were not eligible for Medicaid through NYSOH because you were receiving Medicare Public MEC. However, the record indicates that you are receiving Medicaid through your NYC Human Recourses Administration; therefore, you are not eligible for Medicaid through NYSOH.

Therefore, the January 11, 2017 denial notice is MODIFIED to state that the reason you are not eligible for Medicaid through NYOSH is because you are receiving Medicaid benefits through your Local Department of Social Services office or NYC Human Recourses Administration.

NYSOH and the Local Department of Social Services or NYC Human Resources Administration are two separate and distinct entities. A finding that you are not eligible for Medicaid through NYSOH, has no bearing on your eligibility through your Local Department of Social Services or NYC Human Resources Administration.

#### **Decision**

The January 11, 2017 denial notice is MODIFIED to state that the reason you are not eligible for Medicaid through NYOSH is because you are receiving Medicaid benefits through your Local Department of Social Services office or NYC Human Recourses Administration.

Effective Date of this Decision: June 05, 2017

# **How this Decision Affects Your Eligibility**

You are not eligible for Medicaid through NYSOH, because the record indicates that you have Medicaid through your Local Department of Social Services or NYC Human Resources Administration.

# If You Disagree with this Decision (Appeal Rights)

This Decision is final unless you submit an appeal request to U.S. Department of Health and Human Services or bring a lawsuit under New York Civil Practice Law and Rules, Article 78.

You may bring a lawsuit on any Appeals Unit decision in New York State court in accordance with Article 78 of the New York Civil Practice Law and Rules. This must be done within four months of the Decision Date, which appears on the first page of this Decision.

Additionally, Appeals Unit decisions on issues involving eligibility for qualified health plans, advance premium tax credits, and cost-sharing reductions may be appealed to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. This must be done within 30 days of the Decision Date, which appears on the first page of this Decision (45 CFR § 155.520(c)).

If you wish to be represented by an attorney in bringing an outside appeal and do not know how to go about getting one, you may contact legal resources available to you. You may, for example, contact the local County Bar Association, Legal Aid, or Legal Services.

# If You Have Questions about this Decision (Customer Service Resources):

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# Summary

The January 11, 2017 denial notice is MODIFIED to state that the reason you are not eligible for Medicaid through NYOSH is because you are receiving Medicaid benefits through your Local Department of Social Services office or NYC Human Recourses Administration.

You are not eligible for Medicaid through NYSOH, because the record indicates that you have Medicaid through your Local Department of Social Services or NYC Human Resources Administration.

# **Legal Authority**

We are issuing this determination in accordance with 45 CFR § 155.545.

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