

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

## NOTICE OF DISMISSAL - INVALID APPEAL REQUEST

Notice Date: August 23, 2017

NY State of Health Account ID:

Appeal Identification Number: AP000000017425



Dear

On December 15, 2016, you submitted a non-financial application for you and your spouse to NY State of Health (NYSOH). On December 16, 2016, NYSOH issued a notice of eligibility determination, stating that you and your spouse were eligible for a full cost qualified health plan, effective January 1, 2017.

Also on December 16, 2016, NYSOH issued a notice stating that you and your spouse were enrolled in a qualified health plan, with a monthly premium of \$756.16 per month, effective January 1, 2017.

You testified at the hearing on July 17, 2017 that you paid your insurance carrier a monthly premium in the amount of \$756.16 for January 2017. However, you and your spouse attempted to see medical providers in January 2017 but were advised that neither of you had health insurance coverage.

You testified that after learning that you and your spouse did not have coverage, that you contacted your insurance carrier and had multiple conversations with them over many weeks. Despite your efforts, your carrier did not provide you and your spouse with coverage.

On March 22, 2017, NYSOH issued an enrollment confirmation notice stating that you were enrolled in a qualified health plan, with an enrollment start date of January 1, 2017. You appealed that determination.

You testified that thereafter you requested that NYSOH change the effective date of you and your spouse's qualified health plan to March 1, 2017 because you and your spouse did not receive coverage in January 2017 and February 2017. You testified that NYSOH did change you and your spouse's coverage date. This was confirmed on May 3, 2017, when NYSOH issued a notice of enrollment confirmation stating that you and your spouse were enrolled in a qualified health plan, effective March 1, 2017.

However, you testified that your insurance carrier did not enroll you and your spouse into coverage on March 1, 2017. You also testified that the January premium payment of \$756.16 you paid, was not refunded to you by your carrier.

# Why Your Appeal Request Is Not Valid

An applicant has the right to appeal to NYSOH's Appeals Unit: (1) an eligibility determination, including the amount of advance payments of the premium tax credit and level of cost-sharing reductions; (2) a redetermination of eligibility, including the amount of advance payments of the premium tax credit and level of cost-sharing reductions; (3) a failure by NYSOH to provide timely notice of an eligibility determination 45 CFR § 155.505; and (4) a denial of a request for a special enrollment period (45 CFR § 155.505(b)(1)(iii), 45 CFR § 155.305(b), and 45 CFR § 155.420(d)).

Your appeal was requested to dispute the failure of your insurance carrier to honor you and your spouse's enrollment in a qualified health plan. You also testified that you were seeking reimbursement of the premium payment that you paid to your carrier. These issues relate to service coverage and payment of premiums which are not issues that the Appeals Unit of NYSOH is authorized to address. Therefore, we must dismiss your appeal.

However, it appears from the record that you and your spouse did pay the premium and were enrolled in a qualified health plan, but were not provided coverage by your insurance carrier. Therefore, we are RETURNING your case to NYSOH's Plan Management Unit for further investigation.

# How does this Dismissal Affect Your Eligibility?

This decision does not change your current eligibility for or enrollment in a qualified health plan, or the monthly premium amount that you pay for your health plan.

It does return your case to NYSOH's Plan Management Unit to further investigate the issue.

You may have additional options outside of the Appeals Unit of New York State of Health, such as through your plan or through the Department of Financial Services.

# If You Think Your Appeal Should Not Be Dismissed

If you think your appeal should not be dismissed, you can ask us to vacate, or cancel, this dismissal. In that writing, you must explain why you think this dismissal should be vacated and if your issue differs from the one discussed above.

If you ask us in writing to vacate this dismissal, NYSOH's Appeals Unit will review your request and send you a decision on that request.

If we deny your request to vacate this dismissal, we will tell you that in writing.

If you do not respond to this notice within 30 days, your appeal will remain dismissed. No further action will be taken on it by NYSOH.

# **Appeal Identification Number**

When communicating with NYSOH about this appeal, please reference Appeal Identification Number and the Account ID at the top of this notice.

#### **How to Contact NYSOH**

You can contact us in any of the following ways:

- By calling the Customer Service Center at 1-855-355-5777
- By mail at:

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

• By fax: 1-855-900-5557

Legal Authority
We are sending you this notice in accordance with 45 CFR § 155.530.

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