

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

#### NOTICE OF DISMISSAL – UNTIMELY APPEAL REQUEST

Notice Date: October 19, 2017

NY State of Health Account ID:

Appeal Identification Number: AP00000018865



Dear

On November 24, 2015, NY State of Health (NYSOH) issued an enrollment confirmation notice stating that you were enrolled in a Medicaid Managed Care (MMC) plan with a plan enrollment start date of January 1, 2016.

The record indicates the following facts:

- (1) You are appealing the January 1, 2016 start date of your MMC plan.
- (2) You submitted an application for financial assistance to NYSOH on September 2, 2015.
- (3) On September 3, 2015, NYSOH issued an eligibility determination notice that stated you were conditionally eligible for Medicaid coverage, effective September 1, 2015, known as "presumptive eligibility" pending proof of income by September 17, 2015.
- (4) On November 23, 2015, the income documentation you submitted on November 17, 2015, was verified and you were allowed to select a MMC plan.
- (5) On November 23, 2015, you selected an MMC plan with an enrollment start date of January 1, 2016.
- (6) You testified that you were hospitalized during the time frame.
- (7) You testified that the hospitalization was not covered by Medicaid as it was presumptive and you were sued for approximately \$12,000.00 for services related to that hospitalization.

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- (8) On October 19, 2016, you contacted NYSOH to request the backdating of your MMC plan to October 1, 2015, so the hospitalization bill will be covered by insurance. A formal complaint was filed on your behalf (IDR
- (9) On May 10, 2017, you requested an appeal because your request to backdate your MMC plan to October 1, 2015, had not been resolved.

Procedurally, on May 17, 2017, NYSOH issued a notice of Invalid Appeal Request. On June 19, 2017, NYSOH issued a Notice of Dismissal-Failure to Submit a Valid Appeal Request. On July 19, 2017, you submitted a letter to NYSOH requesting the dismissal of your appeal request be vacated, which was granted. On August 8, 2017, NYSOH scheduled a telephone hearing for September 5, 2017.

On September 5, 2017, you had a hearing with a Hearing Officer from NYSOH's Appeals Unit. The record was developed during the hearing and closed at the end of the hearing.

### Why Your Appeal Request Is Not Valid

Individual applicants and enrollees must request a hearing within sixty (60) days of the date of their notice of eligibility determination by NYSOH (45 CFR § 155.520(b)(2); 18 NYCRR § 358-3.5(b)(1)).

For an appeal to have been valid on the issue of the start date of your MMC plan on January 1, 2016, as addressed in the November 24, 2015 enrollment confirmation notice, an appeal should have been filed by January 23, 2016. According to the credible evidence of record, you did not contact NYSOH until October 19, 2016 to file a formal complaint. Although you were given the opportunity to be heard on the backdate issue at a formal; hearing, the date of your formal complaint was well beyond 60 days from the November 24, 2015 enrollment confirmation notice and there is nothing in the record to substantiate a reasonable cause for your delay in timely filing the formal complaint. It follows that your May 10, 2017 appeal of an untimely complaint is also untimely.

Therefore, there has been no valid timely appeal of the November 24, 2015 plan enrollment notice and your appeal on the issue of backdating the start date of your MMC plan to October 1, 2015 is DISMISSED.

### How does this Dismissal Affect Your Eligibility?

This decision does not change your current eligibility for Medicaid or enrollment in a MMC plan.

### 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.

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 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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