

STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PO Box 11729 Albany, NY 12211

#### Notice of Decision

Decision Date: March 01, 2018

NY State of Health Account ID:

Appeal Identification Number: AP00000025998



Dear ,

On February 22, 2018, you appeared by telephone at a hearing on your appeal of NY State of Health's December 19, 2017 enrollment 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 PO Box 11729 Albany, NY 12211

Sending a Fax to 1-855-900-5557

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(b).

If you need this information in a language other than English or you need assistance reading this notice, we can help you. Call 1-855-355-5777 (TTY - English: 1-800-662-1220) (TTY - Spanish: 1-877-662-4886).

This page intentionally left blank. If you need this information in a language other than English or you need assistance reading this notice, we can help you. Call 1-855-355-5777 (TTY - English: 1-800-662-1220) (TTY - Spanish: 1-877-662-4886).



STATE OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PO Box 11729 Albany, NY 12211

Decision

Decision Date: March 01, 2018

NY State of Health Account ID:

Appeal Identification Number: AP000000025998



#### Issue

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

Did NY State of Health (NYSOH) properly determine that your coverage under the MVP Premier Silver 2 ST3PCP INN Dep25 Telemedicine Wellness plan was effective February 1, 2018?

# **Procedural History**

On November 17, 2017, NYSOH redetermined your eligibility for financial assistance with health insurance.

On November 18, 2017, NYSOH issued an eligibility determination notice stating that you were eligible for an advance premium tax credit (APTC) of up to \$64.00 per month and, if you selected a silver-level plan, eligible for cost-sharing reductions (CSR), effective January 1, 2018.

On November 19, 2017, NYSOH issued an enrollment notice confirming your selection of MVP Premier Plus Gold 1 NS INN Dep25 Acupuncture Telemedicine Wellness 3PCP (MVP Premier Plus Gold) as of November 18, 2017, with such coverage beginning January 1, 2018, at a monthly premium rate of \$537.47 after not applying any of the available APTC.

On December 15, 2017, NYSOH received an update to your application for financial assistance with health insurance.

If you need this information in a language other than English or you need assistance reading this notice, we can help you. Call 1-855-355-5777 (TTY - English: 1-800-662-1220) (TTY - Spanish: 1-877-662-4886).

On December 16, 2017, NYSOH issued an eligibility determination notice stating that you were eligible for an APTC of up to \$59.00 per month and, if you selected a silver-level plan, eligible for CSR, effective January 1, 2018.

Also on December 16, 2017, NYSOH issued an enrollment notice confirming your enrollment in MVP Premier Plus Gold as of December 15, 2017, with such coverage beginning effective January 1, 2018, at a monthly premium rate of \$537.47.

On December 19, 2017, NYSOH issued an enrollment notice confirming your selection of MVP Premier Silver 2 ST3PCP INN Dep25 Telemedicine Wellness (MVP Premier Silver) as of December 15, 2017, with such coverage beginning effective February 1, 2017, at a premium rate of \$426.76 after applying the \$59.00 APTC. However, your NYSOH enrollment details reflect that you requested such a change of plans on December 18, 2017.

On or about December 19, 2017, you spoke to NYSOH's Account Review Unit and appealed insofar as your MVP Premier Silver plan did not begin effective January 1, 2018.

On February 22, 2018, you had a telephone 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.

# **Findings of Fact**

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

- 1) You submitted an application to NYSOH for financial assistance on December 15, 2017.
- 2) You enrolled in the MVP Premier Plus Gold plan on December 15, 2017, with such coverage beginning on January 1, 2018 at a premium rate of \$537.47 after not applying any of the available APTC.
- 3) You testified that you attempted to update your enrollment to the MVP Premier Silver plan on December 15, 2017 after including your Social Security income in your application. You further testified that while you selected the plan, you inadvertently did not confirm your change of plan at that time.
- 4) Your NYSOH account enrollment details reflect that your switched your enrollment from the MVP Premier Plus Gold plan to the MVP Premier Silver plan on December 18, 2017.

5) You testified that you were seeking for your MVP Premier Silver plan enrollment to begin on January 1, 2018, in an effort to recoup the approximate \$100.00 premium difference between the two plans for coverage during the month of January 2018.

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

# **Applicable Law and Regulations**

#### Enrollment in a Qualified Health Plan

The effective date of coverage by a qualified health plan is determined by the date on which an applicant selects a plan for enrollment. For individuals who are eligible for enrollment, NYSOH must generally ensure that coverage is effective the first day of the following month for selections received by NYSOH from the first to the fifteenth of any month (45 CFR §§ 155.410(f)(2), 155.420(b)(1)(i)). For selections received by NYSOH from the sixteenth to the last day of any month, NYSOH must ensure coverage is effective the first day of the second following month (45 CFR §§ 155.410(f)(2), 155.420(b)(1)(ii)).

# Legal Analysis

The issue under review is whether NYSOH properly determined that your coverage under the MVP Premier Silver plan began effective February 1, 2018.

You testified that you attempted to update your enrollment to the MVP Premier Silver plan on December 15, 2017 after including your Social Security income in your application. You further testified that while you selected the MVP Premier Silver plan at that time, you inadvertently did not confirm your change of plan.

Your NYSOH account enrollment details reflect that your switched your enrollment from the MVP Premier Plus Gold plan to the MVP Premier Silver plan on December 18, 2017.

The date on which a qualified health plan can take effect depends on the day a person selects the plan for enrollment. A plan that is selected from the sixteenth to the last day of any month day of a month goes into effect on the first day of the second following month.

Therefore, NYSOH's December 19, 2017 enrollment notice is AFFIRMED because it properly began your enrollment in the MVP Premier Silver plan effective February 1, 2018.

#### Decision

The December 19, 2017 enrollment notice is AFFIRMED.

Effective Date of this Decision: March 01, 2018

# **How this Decision Affects Your Eligibility**

Your enrollment in the MVP Premier Silver plan began effective February 1, 2018.

### If You Disagree with this Decision (Appeal Rights)

If applicable, if you think a portion of your appeal should not be dismissed, you can ask us to vacate, or cancel, this dismissal. You must ask us in writing within 30 days after the date on this notice, showing good cause as to why the dismissal should be vacated. NYSOH's Appeals Unit will review your request. If your request is approved, another hearing will be scheduled for you. If your request is denied, NYSOH will tell you in writing. If you do not respond to the dismissed portion of your appeal within 30 days, your appeal will remain dismissed, and NYSOH will take no further action on your appeal.

Insofar as your case was decided, the Decision is final unless you submit an appeal request to the Federal Marketplace 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 Federal Marketplace. 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 have questions about appealing to the Federal Marketplace, you can contact them in any of the following ways:

- By calling the Customer Service Center at 1-800-318-2596
- By mail at:

If you need this information in a language other than English or you need assistance reading this notice, we can help you. Call 1-855-355-5777 (TTY - English: 1-800-662-1220) (TTY - Spanish: 1-877-662-4886).

Health Insurance Marketplace Attn: Appeals 465 Industrial Blvd. London, KY 40750-0061

By fax: 1-877-369-0129

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):

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 PO Box 11729 Albany, NY 12211

• By fax: 1-855-900-5557

# **Summary**

The December 19, 2017 enrollment notice is AFFIRMED.

Your enrollment in the MVP Premier Silver plan began effective February 1, 2018.

# **Legal Authority**

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

# A Copy of this Decision Has Been Provided To:



#### **Getting Help in a Language Other than English**

This is an important document. If you need help to understand it, please call 1-855-355-5777. We can give you an interpreter for free in the language you speak.

#### **Español (Spanish)**

Este es un documento importante. Si necesita ayuda para entenderlo, llame al 1-855-355-5777. Le proporcionaremos un intérprete sin ningún costo.

#### 中文 (Traditional Chinese)

這是重要的文件。 如果您需要獲得關於瞭解文件內容方面的協助,請致電 1-855-355-5777。我們可以為您免費提供您所使用語言的翻譯人員。

#### Kreyòl Ayisyen (Haitian Creole)

Sa a se yon dokiman ki enpòtan. Si ou bezwen èd pou konprann li, tanpri rele nimewo 1-855-355-5777. Nou kapab ba ou yon entèprèt gratis nan lang ou pale a.

#### 中文 (Simplified Chinese)

这是一份重要的文件。如果您需要帮助理解此文件,请打电话至 **1-855-355-5777**。我们可以为您免费提供相应语种的口译服务。

#### Italiano (Italian)

Questo è un documento importante. Per qualsiasi chiarimento può chiamare il numero 1-855-355-5777. Possiamo metterle a disposizione un interprete nella sua lingua.

#### 한국어 (Korean)

중요한 서류입니다. 이해하는 데 도움이 필요하시면 **1-855-355-5777** 번으로 연락해 주십시오. 귀하의 언어에 대한 무료 통역 서비스가 제공됩니다.

#### Русский (Russian)

Это важный документ. Если Вам нужна помощь для понимания этого документа, позвоните по телефону 1-855-355-5777. Мы можем бесплатно предоставить Вам переводчика Вашего языка.

#### (Arabic)العربية

هذه وثيقة مهمة. إذا كنت بحاجة إلى مساعدة لفهم محتواها، يُرجى الاتصال بالرقم 5777-355-855-1. يُمكننا توفير مترجم فوري لك باللغة التي تتحدثما محانًا

#### বাংলা (Bengali)

এটি এক গুরুত্বপূর্ণ নথি। এটি বুঝতে আপনার যদি সাহায্যের প্রয়োজন হয় তাহলে, অনুগ্রহ করে 1-855-355-5777 নম্বরে কল করুন। আপনি যে ভাষায় কথা বলেন বিনামূল্যে আমরা আপনাকে একজন দোভাষী দিতে পারি।

#### Français (French)

Ceci est un document important. Si vous avez besoin d'aide pour en comprendre le contenu, appelez le 1-855-355-5777. Nous pouvons mettre gratuitement à votre disposition un interprète dans votre langue.

#### हिंदी (Hindi)

यह एक महत्वपूर्ण दस्तावेज़ है। अगर आपको इसे समझने में सहायता चाहिए, तो कृपया 1-855-355-5777 पर कॉल करें। हम आपकी भाषा बोलने वाला एक द्भाषिया निःश्ल्क उपलब्ध करवा सकते हैं।

#### 日本語 (Japanese)

これは重要な書類です。理解するために支援が必要な場合は、1-855-355-5777 にお電話ください。通訳を無料で提供いたします。

#### नेपाली (Nepali)

यो एउटा महत्त्वपूर्ण कागजात हो। यसलाई बुझ्न तपाईंलाई मद्दत चाहिन्छ भने, कृपया 1-855-355-5777 मा फोन गर्नुहोस्। हामीले तपाईंले बोल्ने भाषामा तपाईंलाई नि:शुल्क दोभाषे उपलब्ध गराउन सक्छौं।

#### Polski (Polish)

To jest ważny dokument. W przypadku konieczności skorzystania z pomocy w celu zrozumienia jego treści należy zadzwonić pod numer 1-855-355-5777. Istnieje możliwość uzyskania bezpłatnej usługi tłumacza języka, którym się posługujesz.

#### Twi (Twi)

Krataa yi yε tow krataa a ho hia. Sε wo hia εho nkyerεkyerεmu a, yε srε wo, frε 1-855-355-5777. yεbεtumi ama wo obi a ɔkyerε kasa a woka no ase ama wo kwa a wontua hwee.

#### اردو(Urdu)

یہ ایک اہم دستاویز ہے۔ اگر آپ کو اسے سمجھنے کے لیے مدد کی ضرورت ہے تو براہ کرم5777-355-485-1 پر کال کریں۔ ہم آپ کو آپ کی مادری زبان میں ایک مفت مترجہ فراہم کر سکتے ہیں۔

# Tiếng Việt (Vietnamese)

Đây là tài liệu quan trọng. Nếu quý vị cần trợ giúp để hiểu tài liệu này, vui lòng gọi 1-855-355-5777. Chúng tôi có thể cung cấp thông dịch viên miễn phí nói ngôn ngữ của quý vị.

#### אידיש (Yiddish)

דאס איז א וויכטיגער דאקומענט. אויב איר דארפט הילף עס צו פארשטיין, ביטע רופט 1-855-355-5777. מיר קענען אייך געבן א דאלמעטשער פריי פון אפצאל אין די שפראך וואס איר רעדט.