

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

Notice of Decision

Decision Date: March 30, 2018

NY State of Health Account ID:

Appeal Identification Number: AP000000026687



On March 23, 2018, you appeared by telephone at a hearing on your appeal of NY State of Health's December 1, 2017 eligibility determination 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

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 NY State of Health number 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 (NYSOH) properly determine that you were not eligible to receive Medicaid through NYSOH?

Procedural History

On December 1, 2017, NYSOH issued an eligibility determination notice stating, in relevant parts, that you did not qualify for health insurance coverage through NYSOH, effective January 1, 2018. Based on information from federal and state data sources, it was determined that you were already enrolled in or eligible for Medicare and not a parent or caretaker relative of a child under the age of 19. Further, the notice states that your information was sent to your local Department of Social Services to determine your eligibility for Medicaid on a different basis.

On January 3, 2018, you contacted NYSOH's Account Review Unit and requested an appeal insofar as being determined ineligible for Medicaid.

On March 23, 2018, you had a telephone hearing with a Hearing Officer from NYSOH's Appeals Unit. Testimony was taken and the record was fully developed during the hearing. The record was closed at the end of the hearing.

Findings of Fact

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

- 1) According to your NYSOH account and testimony, you testified that you want to be determined eligible for Medicaid.
- 2) According to your NYSOH account and testimony, you expect to file a 2018 federal income tax return with the tax status of married filing jointly and do not expect to claim any dependents on that return.
- 3) You testified that you only reside with your spouse.
- 4) According to your NYSOH account, your Medicare coverage began on August 1, 1997.
- 5) You testified that you enrolled in Part A in 1997, and have been enrolled in Part B for approximately a year and a half.
- 6) You testified that household currently has two sources of income. You are issued \$712.20 monthly in Social Security Disability Insurance benefits, and your spouse is issued \$435.00 weekly in unemployment insurance benefits.
- 7) According to your NYSOH account, you reside in York.
- 8) You testified that you applied for Medicaid through the Human Resources Administration, and you received a notice from them stating that you were ineligible for Medicaid.

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)).

NYSOH is required to refer an individual who is not eligible for MAGI-based Medicaid because they are in receipt of Medicare, certified disabled, or over the age of 65 to the Local Department of Social Services or the Human Resources Administration. During the referral process, an individual's Medicaid eligibility, including their enrollment in a Medicaid Managed Care plan or receipt of Premium Payment Assistance, continues until such a time as their eligibility can be redetermined on a non-MAGI Medicaid basis (see generally 42 CFR § 435.1200, 42 CFR § 435.930, 14 OHIP/LCM-2 effective as of December 1, 2014, GIS 16 MA/04 effective as of January 1, 2016).

Legal Analysis

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

Medicaid through NYSOH is available to individuals who are between the ages of 19 and 64, who are not eligible for Medicare Parts A or B; pregnant women or infants; children between the ages of 1 and 18; and parent or caretaker relatives.

The record reflects that when NYSOH issued the December 1, 2017 eligibility determination notice, you had been enrolled in Medicare Part since August 1, 1997. Further, you did not expect to claim any dependents on your 2018 federal income tax return and only reside with your spouse. Therefore, you are not a parent or caretaker relative of a dependent child.

Since you were enrolled in Medicare and are not a parent or caretaker relative, NYSOH properly determined that you were not eligible for Medicaid through NYSOH.

Therefore, the December 1, 2017, eligibility determination notice is AFFIRMED.

Individuals who are no longer eligible for MAGI-based Medicaid because they are receiving Medicare, over the age of 65, or have become certified disabled may qualify for Medicaid under non-MAGI standards. NYSOH is required to refer these individuals to the Local Department of Social Service (DSS) or Human Resources Administration for redetermination of their Medicaid eligibility.

The December 1, 2017, NYSOH notice stated that your information was sent to your Local DSS to determine your eligibility for Medicaid on a different basis.

You testified that you applied for Medicaid through the Human Resources Administration; however, your application was denied. Since you have already completed the application process through the Human Resources Administration, your case will not be referred for a redetermination of your eligibility for non-MAGI Medicaid.

Decision

The December 1, 2017, eligibility determination notice is AFFIRMED.

Effective Date of this Decision: March 30, 2018

How this Decision Affects Your Eligibility

This decision does not change your eligibility for or enrollment in health insurance through NYSOH.

If You Disagree with this Decision (Appeal Rights)

This 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:

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):

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- By calling the Customer Service Center at 1-855-355-5777
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• By fax: 1-855-900-5557

Summary

The December 1, 2017, eligibility determination notice is AFFIRMED.

This decision does not change your eligibility for or enrollment in health insurance through NYSOH.

Legal Authority

We are sending you this notice in accordance with 45 CFR § 155.545(a).

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Getting Help in a Language Other than English

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(Arabic)العربية

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বাংলা (Bengali)

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