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**STATE OF WISCONSIN  
Division of Hearings and Appeals**

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In the Matter of

[REDACTED]

DECISION

FOO/144806

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**PRELIMINARY RECITALS**

Pursuant to a petition filed October 24, 2012, under Wis. Admin. Code § HA 3.03(1), to review a decision by the Dane County Department of Human Services in regard to FoodShare benefits (FS), a hearing was held on December 07, 2012, at Madison, Wisconsin.

The issue for determination is whether there is any issue for determination by the Division of Hearings and Appeals.

There appeared at that time and place the following persons:

**PARTIES IN INTEREST:**

Petitioner:

[REDACTED]

Respondent:

Department of Health Services  
1 West Wilson Street  
Madison, Wisconsin 53703

By: Bridget Nelson

Dane County Department of Human Services  
1819 Aberg Avenue  
Suite D  
Madison, WI 53704-6343

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:**

John P. Tedesco  
Division of Hearings and Appeals

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Petitioner (CARES # [REDACTED]) is a resident of Dane County.
2. The petitioner was a recipient of FoodShare benefits since December 2011.

3. The Department sent notice on October 19 indicating that petitioner was required to conduct a review of his eligibility.
4. Petitioner conducted the review and is still receiving benefits.

### **DISCUSSION**

There was no negative action by the Department. DHS opened this appeal because DHA received a handwritten statement on a copy of the October 19 notice. The statement said "I have question about this form." Petitioner is not a notice English speaker and there appears to have been a miscommunication. It was clear at the hearing that petitioner did not intend to initiate a hearing and review process. Furthermore, there was no negative action by the agency. The process worked as it is supposed to and petitioner is still receiving benefits without any lapse.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

There is not issue for determination by DHA

**THEREFORE, it is** **ORDERED**

That this appeal is dismissed.

### **REQUEST FOR A REHEARING**

This is a final administrative decision. If you think this decision is based on a serious mistake in the facts or the law, you may request a rehearing. You may also ask for a rehearing if you have found new evidence which would change the decision. Your request must explain what mistake the Administrative Law Judge made and why it is important or you must describe your new evidence and tell why you did not have it at your first hearing. If you do not explain these things, your request will have to be denied.

To ask for a rehearing, send a written request to the Division of Hearings and Appeals, P.O. Box 7875, Madison, WI 53707-7875. Send a copy of your request to the other people named in this decision as "PARTIES IN INTEREST." Your request for a rehearing must be received no later than 20 days after the date of the decision. Late requests cannot be granted.

The process for asking for a rehearing is in Wis. Stat. § 227.49. A copy of the statutes can be found at your local library or courthouse.

### **APPEAL TO COURT**

You may also appeal this decision to Circuit Court in the county where you live. Appeals must be served and filed with the appropriate court no more than 30 days after the date of this hearing decision (or 30 days after a denial of rehearing, if you ask for one).

For purposes of appeal to circuit court, the Respondent in this matter is the Department of Health Services. After filing the appeal with the appropriate court, it must be served on the Secretary of that Department, either personally or by certified mail. The address of the Department is: 1 West Wilson Street, Madison, Wisconsin 53703. A copy should also be sent to the Division of Hearings and Appeals, 5005 University Avenue, Suite 201, Madison, WI 53705-5400.

The appeal must also be served on the other "PARTIES IN INTEREST" named in this decision. The process for appeals to the Circuit Court is in Wis. Stat. §§ 227.52 and 227.53.

Given under my hand at the City of Madison,  
Wisconsin, this 7th day of December, 2012

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\sJohn P. Tedesco  
Administrative Law Judge  
Division of Hearings and Appeals



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The preceding decision was sent to the following parties on December 7, 2012.

Dane County Department of Human Services  
Division of Health Care Access and Accountability