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

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In the Matter of

[REDACTED]

DECISION

MGE/145477

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**PRELIMINARY RECITALS**

Pursuant to a petition filed November 26, 2012, under Wis. Stat. § 49.45(5), and Wis. Admin. Code § HA 3.03(1), to review a decision by the Milwaukee Enrollment Services in regard to Medical Assistance, a hearing was held on December 26, 2012, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The issue for determination is whether the Department erred in its termination of MA benefits effective November 1, 2012 based on disability after petitioner was determined not disabled by the Disability Determination Bureau.

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: Mary Hartung

Milwaukee Enrollment Services  
1220 W Vliet St  
Milwaukee, WI 53205

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:**

John P. Tedesco  
Division of Hearings and Appeals

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

1. Petitioner (CARES # [REDACTED]) is a resident of Milwaukee County.
2. Petitioner was receiving medical assistance benefits based on disability.

3. The Disability Determination Bureau determined that petitioner is not disabled on October 6, 2012. Petitioner is appealing that finding.
4. The Department sent petitioner a notice dated October 19, 2012 informing her that MA would end on November 1, 2012.
5. Petitioner filed a timely appeal.

### **DISCUSSION**

To be eligible for MA, an adult female under age 65 must be disabled, blind, pregnant, or the caretaker of minor children. Wis. Stat., §§49.46(1) and 49.47(4). To qualify as disabled, a person must meet the definition of that term as it is used for SSI purposes. Wis. Stat., §49.47(4)(a)4. Anyone who receives SSI benefits is entitled to receive MA as "categorically needy" under Wis. Stat., §49.46(1)(a)4. Conversely, when SSI eligibility ends so does that person's entitlement to MA under the provisions of this statutory section.

In petitioner's case, because SSI was ending due to a finding that petitioner no longer was disabled, so too would MA end. At this point petitioner can be eligible for MA only if the Social Security Administration reverses its disability determination.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

The Department did not err in terminating MA due to the DDB determination the petitioner is not disabled.

**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 5th day of February, 2013

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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 February 5, 2013.

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Division of Health Care Access and Accountability