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

In the Matter of

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DECISION

BCS/147598

PRELIMINARY RECITALS

Pursuant to a petition filed February 23, 2013, under Wis. Stat. § 49.45(5)(a), to review a decision by the Barron County Department of Human Services in regard to Medical Assistance, a hearing was held on March 20, 2013, at Barron, Wisconsin.

The issue for determination is whether the agency must supplement the petitioner's medical assistance benefits.

There appeared at that time and place the following persons:

PARTIES IN INTEREST:

Petitioner:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Respondent:

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

By: Candi Gillette

Barron County Department of Human Services
Courthouse Room 338
330 E Lasalle Ave
Barron, WI 54812

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:

Michael D. O'Brien

Division of Hearings and Appeals

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The petitioner (CARES # [REDACTED]) is a resident of Barron County.
2. The petitioner did not lose any medical assistance benefits because the agency did not give her a credit against her income for childcare expenses.

DISCUSSION

The petitioner receives medical assistance, FoodShare and childcare benefits. In January 2013, it was discovered that she had been incurring childcare expenses for several years, but the county agency did not consider these when determining her benefits. However, this error affected only her FoodShare because this expense is not deducted from income when determining benefits for the other two programs. See *Medicaid Eligibility Handbook*, § 15.7. and *Wisconsin Shares Child Care Assistance Manual*, Ch. I, § 1.6.11. The petitioner understands this and now appeals only the agency's decision to limit the supplementation of her FoodShare to one year from when it discovered its error.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The petitioner has received all of the medical assistance benefits she is entitled to.

THEREFORE, it is

ORDERED

The petitioner's 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 21st day of March, 2013

\sMichael D. O'Brien
Administrative Law Judge
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The preceding decision was sent to the following parties on March 21, 2013.

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