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

In the Matter of

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DECISION

BCS/150909

PRELIMINARY RECITALS

Pursuant to a petition filed July 26, 2013, under Wis. Stat. § 49.45(5)(a), to review a decision by the Milwaukee Enrollment Services in regard to Medical Assistance, a hearing was held on September 04, 2013, at Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

The issue for determination is whether the petitioner is eligible for medical assistance.

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: Belinda Bridges
Milwaukee Enrollment Services
1220 W Vliet St
Milwaukee, WI 53205

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:

Peter McCombs
Division of Hearings and Appeals

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Petitioner (CARES # [REDACTED]) is a resident of Milwaukee County.
2. The petitioner's child turned 19 on May 20, 2013.
3. The petitioner is 49 years old.
4. The petitioner has not been found to be blind or disabled.

5. The county agency ended the petitioner’s BadgerCare Plus benefits as of August 1, 2013.

DISCUSSION

BadgerCare Plus provides medical assistance to children under 19, their parents, and pregnant women. Wis. Stat. § 49.471(1). The county agency seeks to end the petitioner’s benefits because she no longer has children under 19. She contends that she is entitled to an extension, as provided for in the BadgerCare Plus Eligibility Handbook. I am unaware of any such extension that would apply to the petitioner, though I am aware of the BadgerCare Plus extension pertaining to a household’s increase in income which may make it ineligible for benefits. The termination of petitioner’s benefits was due to a lack of non-financial eligibility, and as such the extension option does not apply here.

Petitioner has not been found disabled, she no longer has a child under 19, she is not pregnant, she is over 18 and under 65 years of age, and she is, therefore, ineligible for medical assistance. *See* Wis. Admin. Code, § DHS 103.03.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The county agency correctly ended the petitioner’s BadgerCare Plus benefits because she does not meet any of the eligibility categories.

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 31st day of October, 2013

\sPeter McCombs
Administrative Law Judge
Division of Hearings and Appeals



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The preceding decision was sent to the following parties on October 31, 2013.

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Division of Health Care Access and Accountability