

SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
REQUEST FOR FAIR HEARING FOR MEDICAID APPLICANT/BENEFICIARY

PART I -- To be completed by the eligibility worker upon receipt of an oral or written request for a hearing. Completion of this section is required prior to releasing this form to the applicant/beneficiary/authorized representative, or the Division of Appeals		
Name of Applicant/Beneficiary:	Household Number:	Payment Category:
Address of Applicant/Beneficiary:	Name of Supervisor:	
Telephone Number of Applicant/Beneficiary:	Name of Eligibility Worker:	
Name of Authorized Representative (if applicable):	Address of Eligibility Worker:	
Address of Authorized Representative:	Telephone Number of Eligibility Worker:	
Specify which category: <input type="checkbox"/> ABD <input type="checkbox"/> BCCP <input type="checkbox"/> FP <input type="checkbox"/> HCBS <input type="checkbox"/> GH <input type="checkbox"/> LIF <input type="checkbox"/> NH <input type="checkbox"/> OCWI <input type="checkbox"/> OSS <input type="checkbox"/> PHC <input type="checkbox"/> SLMB <input type="checkbox"/> TEFRA <input type="checkbox"/> WD <input type="checkbox"/> Pass-Along <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	Reason(s) for Action Being Appealed: <input type="checkbox"/> Resource <input type="checkbox"/> Income <input type="checkbox"/> Level of Care <input type="checkbox"/> Disability <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ <i>If disability, submit disability decision notification letter</i>	
Type of Action Being Appealed: <input type="checkbox"/> Case Closed <input type="checkbox"/> Case Denied <input type="checkbox"/> Other Action: _____		
Date the notice informing the applicant/beneficiary/authorized representative of the action he/she wishes to appeal was sent	Date the action is effective (the first date of ineligibility or the date of denial in MEDS)	
Supervisory Review <input type="checkbox"/> The case record has been reviewed. All other options have been explored and the action being appealed is appropriate.		
Signature of Supervisor	Date	
THE INFORMATION BELOW MUST BE COMPLETED BY THE APPLICANT/BENEFICIARY/AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE		
<input type="checkbox"/> I have provided a signed letter to request an appeal (Complete Part III only if you do not want to continue benefits) <input type="checkbox"/> I have not provided a signed letter to request an appeal (Complete Part II and Part III)		
PART II -- To Be Completed by the Applicant/Beneficiary/Authorized Representative who did not provide a written request		
I request a fair hearing from the Department of Health and Human Services because: <input type="checkbox"/> Action has not been taken on my application within a reasonable time. <input type="checkbox"/> My application has been turned down. <input type="checkbox"/> My service has been stopped. <input type="checkbox"/> My service has been reduced or changed. <input type="checkbox"/> I have been charged with an overpayment. <input type="checkbox"/> Other: (Explain) _____ _____ _____ <p style="text-align: center;"><i>(Attach additional sheets of paper if more space is needed.)</i></p>		
PART III -- To Be Completed by the Applicant/Beneficiary/Authorized Representative		
If I am given a fair hearing: <input type="checkbox"/> I want at least 30 days advance written notice of my hearing date as offered by State law. <input type="checkbox"/> I want my hearing to be held as soon as possible, and I will be satisfied with at least 10 days advance written notice of my hearing date.		
I understand that I <u>may</u> be eligible to continue to receive Medicaid benefits until a decision is made regarding my appeal. If I am eligible to receive continued benefits (check one of the following): <input type="checkbox"/> I understand that I must repay the benefits I continue to receive if the appeal decision is not in my favor. <input type="checkbox"/> I do not wish to receive continued benefits.		
Signature of Applicant/Beneficiary/Authorized Representative:	Date:	
Please return this form to the Medicaid Eligibility Worker shown above. Upon receipt, the eligibility worker will submit your request to the Division of Appeals. You will also receive a copy of the information that was used to make the decision regarding your Medicaid eligibility.		

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INSTRUCTIONS

Part I

This section is completed by the eligibility worker when an oral or written appeal request is received. The eligibility supervisor must review the case decision to determine that all options have been considered and the action was appropriate, and sign and date Part I. After the case is reviewed by the supervisor, the DHHS Form 3260 is sent to the applicant/beneficiary/authorized representative.

Part II

Written Request for an Appeal

If the applicant/beneficiary/authorized representative submits a written request for a fair hearing, the eligibility worker must use DHHS Form 3315, Appeals Checklist, to prepare a summary and supporting documentation for the action that is being appealed. The letter from the applicant/beneficiary/authorized representative is attached to DHHS Form 3260 and submitted with the appeal package to the Division of Appeals within five (5) calendar days of receiving the written request.

A complete copy of the appeal package is sent to the applicant/beneficiary/authorized representative with DHHS Form 3260, and a copy is retained in the file. The applicant/beneficiary/authorized representative is not required to return DHHS Form 3260, but may opt to complete Part III and return the form. If the applicant/beneficiary/authorized representative completes Part III and returns DHHS Form 3260, the worker is not required to forward a copy of this DHHS Form 3260 to the Division of Appeals since the form was submitted with the written request.

Oral Request for an Appeal

If the applicant/beneficiary/authorized representative makes an oral request for an appeal, the eligibility worker must complete Part I of DHHS Form 3260 and send the form to the applicant/beneficiary/authorized representative. The applicant/beneficiary/authorized representative must check the appropriate box and complete Part II and Part III of DHHS Form 3260.

Upon receipt of the completed and signed DHHS Form 3260, the eligibility worker must use DHHS Form 3315, Appeals Checklist, to prepare a summary and supporting documentation for the action that is being appealed. The appeal package, including DHHS Form 3260, is sent to the Division of Appeals within five (5) calendar days of receiving the written request. A complete copy of the appeal package is sent to the applicant/beneficiary/authorized representative and a copy is retained in the file.

Part III

The applicant/beneficiary/authorized representative must check the appropriate box in this section to indicate:

1. Their understanding of the right to an advanced notice of fair hearing
2. Their understanding of the right to continue their benefits during the appeals process

DHHS Form 3260 must be signed by the applicant/beneficiary/authorized representative.

Notice of Non-Discrimination

The South Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (SCDHHS) complies with applicable federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex. SCDHHS does not exclude people or treat them differently because of race, color, national origin, age, disability, or sex.

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You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf> or by mail or phone at: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, 200 Independence Avenue, SW, Room 509F, HHH Building, Washington, D.C. 20201 or by phone at: 800-368- 1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD). Complaint forms are available at <http://www.hhs.gov/ocr/office/file/index.html>