

STATE OF FLORIDA  
AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE ADMINISTRATION  
OFFICE OF FAIR HEARINGS



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**PETITIONER,**

**AHCA Case No.: 24-FH0469**

**vs.**

**AGENCY FOR HEALTH CARE  
ADMINISTRATION,**

**RESPONDENT.**

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**FINAL ORDER**

At all times relevant to this proceeding, Petitioner received Medicaid benefits on a fee-for-service basis. On February 9, 2024, Petitioner requested a Fair Hearing based on Respondent's denial of Behavior Analysis services.

Pursuant to notice mailed to the Petitioner's Authorized Representative's address of record on March 13, 2024, the undersigned Hearing Officer convened a telephonic hearing on April 9, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.. Petitioner's Authorized Representative was not in attendance. After a fifteen-minute grace period, the undersigned took a roll call on the record of the persons in attendance and went off the record at 9:17 a.m..

Rule 59G-1.100(9)(b)(5)(b), Florida Administrative Code, authorizes a Hearing Officer to deny or dismiss a request for a Fair Hearing if the Recipient fails to appear at the scheduled Fair Hearing without good cause.

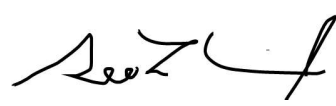
On April 10, 2024, the undersigned issued an Order to Show Cause (“Order”) why the instant case should not be dismissed for failure to appear at the scheduled Fair Hearing. The Order notified the Petitioner’s Authorized Representative that failure to show good cause on or before April 22, 2024, would result in dismissal of the case. On April 19, 2024, the Petitioner’s Authorized Representative filed an unsworn written response to the Order to Show Cause. The response stated that the Petitioner’s Representative [REDACTED] [REDACTED] the night before the scheduled Fair Hearing. The written response as filed contained no documentation [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. The undersigned Hearing Officer finds that the written response fails to provide independent corroboration of the facts alleged in the response and therefore good cause for the failure to attend the scheduled hearing is not established.

Based on the foregoing,

**IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED AND ADJUDGED THAT:**

Petitioner’s Fair Hearing request is hereby deemed abandoned, and this matter is now closed.

**DONE AND ORDERED** this 7<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2024 in Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida.

  
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**GEORGE WINSLOW, Hearing Officer**  
**Agency for Health Care Administration**  
**Office of Fair Hearings**  
**2727 Mahan Drive, Mail Stop # 11**  
**Tallahassee, FL 32308-5407**

**NOTICE OF A RIGHT TO JUDICIAL REVIEW**

A PARTY WHO IS ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THIS FINAL ORDER IS ENTITLED TO JUDICIAL REVIEW, WHICH SHALL BE INSTITUTED BY FILING THE ORIGINAL NOTICE OF APPEAL WITH THE AGENCY CLERK OF AHCA, AND A COPY, ALONG WITH THE FILING FEE PRESCRIBED BY LAW, WITH THE DISTRICT COURT OF APPEAL IN THE APPELLATE DISTRICT WHERE THE AGENCY MAINTAINS ITS HEADQUARTERS OR WHERE A PARTY RESIDES. REVIEW PROCEEDINGS SHALL BE CONDUCTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FLORIDA APPELLATE RULES. THE NOTICE OF APPEAL MUST BE FILED WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE RENDITION OF THE ORDER TO BE REVIEWED.

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