

**OHIO DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES
BUREAU OF STATE HEARINGS**

ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL SECTION

In Re Appeal of:

Docket Number:	AA-2255	
Appeal No(s)	1379641	MED
AG No.	5023684466	
Hearing Request Date:	10/30/2007	
Hearing Decision Date:	01/29/2008 / MCK	
Appeal Request Date:	02/06/2008	
Agency:	SUMMIT CDJFS	

Administrative Appeal Decision

The appellant is appealing an October, 2007, denial by her Medicaid Managed Care Plan (MCP) of her September request for prior authorization for a second trans laminar and lumbar steroid epidural injection. She received the first one in June for pain alleviation. The hearing officer overruled the appeal because in November the MCP reversed its denial and authorized the second injection, which the appellant received in December.

In her request for administrative appeal the appellant does not indicate how she disagrees with the hearing decision but indicates that the injections do relieve her pain. As the hearing officer indicated, the appellant is free to have her doctor request authorization for additional injections, for which the appellant will have a right to a hearing, if need be.

DECISION

We therefore ORDER that the hearing decision is AFFIRMED.

Administrative Appeal Officer

CONCUR:

Administrative Appeal Officer

Chief Administrative Hearing Officer

Date of Issuance: February 14, 2008

Notice to Appellant

This Administrative Appeal decision is the final decision on this appeal from the state department of job & family services. It is binding on the department and agency, unless it is reversed or modified on appeal to the court of common pleas.

An Appellant who disagrees with this decision may appeal it to the court of common pleas pursuant to sections 119.12 and 5101.35(E) of the Revised Code. The Appellant shall mail the original notice of appeal to the department at the following address:

**Ohio Department of Job & Family Services
Office of Legal Services
30 E. Broad Street, 31st Floor
Columbus, OH 43215-3414**

The Appellant must also file a copy of the notice of appeal with the court of common pleas in the county in which the Appellant resides (Franklin County, if the Appellant does not reside in Ohio). Please note: Both the mailing to the department and the filing with the court must occur within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of issuance of this decision.

If you have questions about appealing to a court, contact your attorney, local legal aid society, or bar association. If you want information about free legal services, you can call the Ohio State Legal Services Association, toll free, at 1-800-589-5888.

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Director, SUMMIT CDJFS
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