



APPEAL REQUEST FORM (SNAP, Medical Assistance, Cash Assistance, Child Care)

Use this form only if you want to file an appeal (this is a request for a hearing). Your Family Community Resource Center (FCRC or local office) may help you fill out this form. You may file this form with your FCRC or with the Bureau of Hearings at 69 W. Washington, 4th Floor, Chicago, IL 60602 or via email at DHS.BAH@Illinois.gov, Fax at (312) 793-3387 or by Telephone at (800) 435-0774.

Appellant First Name	Appellant Last Name	Telephone Number
Address (No. & Street, Apt. No.)	City, County	State, Zip Code
Name Case is Under	Case Number	Social Security Number

Will you need an interpreter in the hearing? Yes No If Yes, what language? _____

I am appealing action taken on:
(check all that apply) SNAP Long Term Care Medical Assistance AABD Cash Assistance TANF Child Care

Application/Request Date: _____

Department Date of Notice from which you are appealing: _____

I AM REQUESTING A FAIR HEARING BECAUSE:

- ___ My application/request was denied and I disagree with this
- ___ IDHS says I am not disabled and I disagree with this
- ___ I was enrolled in spenddown and I disagree with this
- ___ A penalty period was imposed and I disagree with this
- ___ I disagree with the benefit amount
- ___ I disagree with the beginning eligibility date
- ___ My benefits were stopped or reduced and I disagree with this
- ___ I was charged with an overpayment and I disagree with this
- ___ My SNAP benefits were recouped for a previous overpayment claim(s) and I disagree with this
- ___ Money was recovered on an overpayment claim(s) and I disagree with this
- ___ A sanction was imposed and I disagree with this
- ___ I asked to be exempt from the Department's work and training activities and I was denied
- ___ I requested Crisis Assistance and I was denied
- ___ IDHS has not taken action on my application or a request

Other Reason _____



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Please Check One:

Under some programs, benefits may continue while the hearing decision is pending. If possible,

 I WANT my benefits to continue until the hearing decision is made. I understand that if the decision is not in my favor, I may have to pay back the benefits. I want the following benefits to continue:

- Cash SNAP Cash and SNAP Medical Assistance

 I DO NOT WANT my benefits continued while the hearing decision is pending.

Do you want someone else to represent you at the hearing? If yes, provide their information in the space below.

Approved Representative First Name, Last Name	Telephone Number	Email Address
Address (No. & Street, Apt. No.)	Representative's Firm (if applicable)	City, State, Zip Code

(If signed by a person other than the customer, you must attach written authorization to file an appeal on behalf of customer. Please note: the Bureau of Hearings does not have a standardized authorization form and the "Approved Representative Consent Form" (IL 444-2998) is not accepted for appeal representation, as its scope is limited to applying for benefits.)

Your Signature (or Signature of Approved Representative) Date

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Please Note: You are entitled by law to a final decision on your appeal and to full implementation of a decision favorable to you within 90 days from the time you requested the appeal, unless you have requested a delay of your hearing. For SNAP benefits only, you are entitled by law to a final decision on your appeal within 60 days and full implementation of a decision favorable to you within 10 days of receipt of the hearing decision.

For IDHS Office Use Only: To be completed by the FCRC or Hearings

Date Notice of Appeal Received:	Date of Postmark, if mailed (attach envelope):	Date of written request for hearing, if preceding this form:
Date of Decision Being Appealed:	Case Name:	Case Number: