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781—16.15(12D) Appeal of decisions. An account owner may appeal any decision of the program administrator under these rules and with respect to the plan.

- **16.15(1)** An account owner may utilize the appeals process after receipt of the decision from the program administrator.
- **16.15(2)** Failure to submit the appeal request within 30 calendar days of receipt of the decision from the program administrator shall constitute an acceptance of the decision.
- **16.15(3)** The account owner shall submit to the program administrator a written request for an appeal along with all supporting documentation.
- **16.15(4)** The program administrator shall contact the account owner and schedule an appeal meeting within 30 calendar days of receipt of the account owner's appeal request.
- **16.15(5)** An appeal review shall be conducted at which time the account owner shall present evidence supporting the account owner's basis for the appeal.
- **16.15(6)** Based on the evidence and additional information presented during the appeal, the program administrator will render a final decision. Such final decision will be written and sent to the account owner within 30 calendar days of the appeal meeting. [ARC 4463C, IAB 5/22/19, effective 6/26/19]