5101:2-50-05 **Bridges appeal process.**

This rule describes the appeals process for a young adultan individual who has been denied or terminated from bridges.

- (A) Any <u>individual young adult</u> who was denied enrollment to bridges or who was terminated from bridges may request a state hearing, as described in paragraph (B) of this rule by submitting a JFS 01622 "Bridges State Hearing Request Form."
- (B) In the event the young adultan individual receives a denial notice pursuant to rule 5101:2-50-02 of the Administrative Code or a termination notice pursuant to rule 5101:2-50-03 of the Administrative Code, the young adultindividual has the right to appeal the decision by requesting a state hearing.
 - (1) The young adultindividual has ninety calendar days from the mailing date of the denial or termination notice to request a state hearing. If the ninetieth day falls on a weekend or holiday, then the next business day shall be recorded as the ninetieth day.
 - (2) If the young adultindividual submits a hearing request to the state or local agency within fifteen calendar days of the mailing date of the termination notice, then bridges benefits shall continue pursuant to division 5101:6 of the Administrative Code until a state hearing decision is issued.
 - (3) The young adult The individual may withdraw the state hearing request at any time prior to a state hearing decision being issued.
- (C) The JFS 01622 Denial notices and termination notices issued by ODJFS may is to be sent by U.S. mail or hand delivered to the individual. While the individual may also choose to receive electronic notices, any electronic notifications will be in addition to, and not in place of, notification by U.S. mail or in-person delivery. Denial notices shall be issued to the young adult and, when applicable, to the regional grantee in writing or by its electronic equivalent, as permitted by federal law.
- (D) A young adultAn individual may submit their request for a state hearing JFS 01622 through the following methods:
 - (1) Send the appeal notice via U.S. mail;
 - (2) A scanned copy via email Email;
 - (3) Facsimile; or
 - (4) Verbal request by contacting the bridges notice provider, ODJFS, or bureau of state hearings.

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(E) Rules 5101:6-6-01 to 5101:6-6-04 of the Administrative Code detail the process for preparing and conducting state hearings.

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