## 10A NCAC 27I .0608 HEARING OFFICER FINDINGS AND DECISION

- (a) The Hearing Officer's findings and decisions are based on the record and any new evidence that would be material to the issues on appeal.
- (b) The standard of review for the Hearing Officer is whether the decision of the LME-MCO, area authority or county program is supported by the evidence presented.
- (c) The Hearing Officer shall consider all issues under appeal.
- (d) Any decision may be rescheduled for a subsequent meeting if the Hearing Officer determines that he or she lacks sufficient information to render a decision at the initial hearing.
- (e) The Hearing Officer's findings and decisions shall be reached and sent in writing to the client, or the client's legally responsible person, and to the LME-MCO, area authority or county program Director within 60 calendar days of the written request for an appeal.

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