

STATE OF MICHIGAN
STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF: [REDACTED],
Claimant

Reg. No: 2007-17440
Issue No: 2009
Case No: [REDACTED]
Load No: [REDACTED]
Hearing Date:
July 11, 2007
Eaton County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Janice Spodarek

HEARING DECISION

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9; MSA 16.409 and MCL 400.37; MSA 16.437 upon claimant's request for a hearing to protest the denial of claimant's application for MA-P. After due notice, a three-way telephone hearing was held.

ISSUE

Whether claimant meets the disability criteria for MA-P during the time claimant had an open low income MA case?

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the competent, material and substantial evidence on the whole record, finds as material fact:

- (1) At all relevant times during the issue herein (February 22, 2007), claimant was a recipient for MA-P with the Michigan DHS.
- (2) Claimant did not apply for retro MA.

(3) On March 13, 2007, MRT denied.

(4) On March 16, 2007, the department issued notice.

(5) On March 26, 2007, claimant filed a hearing request.

(6) SHRT denied claimant.

(7) The ALJ was an extended leave of absence.

(8) At the conclusion of the hearing, the record was held open at claimant's request for the submission of additional medical records. Medical records were received and submitted to the State Hearing Review Team (SHRT), and on March 31, 2009, SHRT once again denied claimant.

(9) The disability onset date is November 20, 2008.

(10) On September 7, 2010, the undersigned Administrative Law Judge received an SOLQ SSA Response Reporting indicating claimant was approved disability benefits by SSA. Claimant's onset date is identified as November 20, 2008. Claimant is eligible for MA-P from November 20, 2008.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Medical Assistance (MA) program is established by Title XIX of the Social Security Act and is implemented by Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). The Department of Human Services (DHS or department) administers the MA program pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and MCL 400.105. Department policies are found in the Program Administrative Manual (PAM), the Program Eligibility Manual (PEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

Because of the Social Security Administration determination, it is not necessary for the Administrative Law Judge to discuss the issue of disability. PEM, Item 260; PEM, Item 261.

The department is required to initiate a determination of claimant's financial eligibility for the requested benefits, if required by DHS policy and procedure.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that the claimant meets the definition of medically disabled under the Medical Assistance program as of the subsequent approval by SSA for claimant's SSI with an onset date of November 20, 2008. The department is ordered to open this case and/or review it in accordance with its usual policy and procedure, if not already done.

/s/ _____
Janice Spodarek
Administrative Law Judge
for Ismael Ahmed, Director
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: September 9, 2010

Date Mailed: September 10, 2010

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The Claimant may appeal the Decision and Order to Circuit Court within 30 days of the receipt of the Decision and Order or, if a timely request for rehearing was made, within 30 days of the receipt date of the rehearing decision.

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