STATE OF MICHIGAN STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:

Claimant

Reg. No.: 2009-14587 Issue No.: 6019 Case No.: Load No.: Hearing Date: April 13, 2009 Ingham County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Michael J. Bennane

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 the Claimant's request for a hearing. After due

notice a telephone hearing was held on April 13, 2009. The Claimant personally appeared and testified.

ISSUE

Did the Department properly deny the Claimant's Child Care (CDC) application?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- 1. Claimant applied for CDC on September 24, 2008.
- The department requested various documentation including drivers license and social security card for the care giver.
- 3. On December 8, 2008, the department denied the CDC application.
- 4. On January 8, 2009, the claimant filed a request for a hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Child Development and Care program is established by Titles IVA, IVE and XX of the Social Security Act, the Child Care and Development Block Grant of 1990, and the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. The program is implemented by Title 45 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 98 and 99. The Department of Human Services (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) provides services to adults and children pursuant to MCL 400.14(1) and MAC R 400.5001-5015. Department policies are contained in the Program Administrative Manual (PAM), the Program Eligibility Manual (PEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

The claimant filed for CDC on September 24, 2008. The department requested various

documentation before CDC began. At the hearing, the claimant produced documentation

showing that the proposed care provider had applied for a social security card.

Day Care Aide/ Relative Care Provider Enrollment Process

Prior to enrollment, verify if the day care aide or relative care provider is currently active by using the STSM inquiry transaction (see RFT 296 for instructions). An active day care aide or relative care provider will have 9s in the eligibility end date field.

To begin the enrollment process, day care aides and relative care providers must:

Complete the DHS-220-A/220-A-SP, Day Care Aide Provider Application or the DHS-220-R/220-R-SP, Relative Care Provider Application, certifying the applicant meets all of the requirements listed on the application. The provider applicant must provide the following verifications within 6 workdays of the application receipt date:

Proof of identity.

Proof of age.

A copy of a valid Social Security number (the Social Security number must be verified with a copy of the card). If the Social Security card states that it is not valid for employment, the prospective aide/relative may not be enrolled. The

name on the Social Security card must match the provider's name on the DHS-220-A/R. (PEM 704, pp. 4-5).

In the instant case the proposed care giver had applied for a social security card but could not produce a copy of the card.

This ALJ finds that the department could not certify the proposed provider. The claimant

obviously provided the department with what information she could for her proposed provider.

It is regrettable but this ALJ lacks the equitable authority to apply what would seem to be a

different and more just decision.

The department is found to have correctly denied the claimant's CDC application.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based on the above findings of fact and conclusions of

law, AFFIRMS the Department's actions in the instant case.

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Michael J. Bennane Administrative Law Judge for Ismael Ahmed, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: ____06/16/09_____

Date Mailed: _____06/17/09______

NOTICE: Administrative Hearings may order a rehearing or reconsideration on either its own motion or at the request of a party within 30 days of the mailing date of this Decision and Order. Administrative Hearings will not order a rehearing or reconsideration on the Department's motion where the final decision cannot be implemented within 90 days of the filing of the original request.

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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