## STATE OF MICHIGAN STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES

# ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:

Reg. No: 2009-17101

Issue No: <u>2012</u>

Case No:

Load No:

Hearing Date:

September 29, 2009 St. Clair County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Marlene B. Magyar

Claimant

## **HEARING DECISION**

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37 upon claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice, an in-person hearing was held on September 29, 2009. Claimant did not appear; however, he was represented by

#### **ISSUE**

Did the department and claimant's authorized representative fully resolve claimant's grievance by binding settlement offer and agreement?

### FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- (1) On October 31, 2008, the department received a hearing request from claimant's authorized representative which alleges the department failed to properly register/process a Medicaid (MA)/retro-MA application filed on claimant's behalf.
  - (2) This MA/retro-MA application was filed on February 26, 2008 (Client Exhibit A).
  - (3) Claimant's hearing was held on September 29, 2009.
- (4) The department's witness stipulated to departmental error and offered to reinstate claimant's disputed application retroactive to February 26, 2008, and to process it according to departmental policy.
- (5) Claimant's authorized representative agreed to accept this offer of settlement on the record at hearing.

#### 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).

The law, MCL 24.278(2); MSA 3.560(178)(2), provides that disposition may be made of a contested case hearing by stipulation or agreed settlement. Both parties have agreed to the settlement terms set forth above.

### DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that claimant's authorized representative and the departament entered into a valid, binding settlement agreement on the record at hearing.

Accordingly, this case is returned to the local office for implementation of the settlement terms. **SO ORDERED.** 

/s/

Marlene B. Magyar Administrative Law Judge for Ismael Ahmed, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: October 6, 2009

Date Mailed: October 7, 2009

**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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