STATE OF MICHIGAN STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:

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Claimant

Reg. No: 2009-18103

Issue No: 2018

Case No:

Load No: Hearing Date:

November 5, 2009 Wayne County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Suzanne L. Keegstra

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, a telephone hearing was held on November 5, 2009. The claimant personally appeared, along with her husband,



ISSUE

Did the department properly deny the claimant's Medical Assistance (MA) application in February, 2009?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- 1. The claimant applied for MA in February, 2009.
- 2. The department denied the claimant's application for MA as she was not eligible for Group 2 Caretaker Relative or SSI-related Medical Assistance benefits.

3. The claimant submitted a hearing request on February 12, 2009.

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 Adult Medical Program (AMP) is established by Title XXI of the Social Security Act; (1115)(a)(1) of the Social Security Act, and is administered by the Department of Human Services (DHS or department) pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq*. Department policies are contained in the Program Administrative Manual (PAM), the Program Eligibility Manual (PEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

In this case, the claimant applied for MA benefits. However, the claimant is not eligible for any type of MA benefits. The claimant does not have any children 18 or under, thus, she is not eligible for Group 2 Caretaker Relative MA. The claimant is also not blind, disabled or aged. Thus, she is not eligible for any SSI-related MA programs (See BEM 105). The only other program the claimant could qualify for is the Adult Medical Program (AMP). However, the claimant is employed and earns approximately \$663.17 monthly. The income limit for a claimant living with a spouse is \$425.00, thus the claimant would not be income eligible for AMP.

It is noted that the local DHS office has given the claimant some possible county resources to look into.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that the department properly denied the claimant's MA application as she does not meet the criteria for any of the MA programs.

Accordingly, the department's actions are UPHELD. SO ORDERED.

/s/

Suzanne L. Keegstra Administrative Law Judge for Ismael Ahmed, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: December 2, 2009

Date Mailed: December 8, 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 mailing 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.

