# 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: 2009-18427

Issue No: 2000

Case No:

Load No:

Hearing Date:

January 7, 2010 Wayne County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: William A. Sundquist

### 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 January 7, 2010.

#### **ISSUE**

Was signed Medicaid application received by the DHS on or about November 25, 2008? FINDINGS OF FACT

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

(1) A signed Medicaid application was received by the DHS on November 5, 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).

Facts above are undisputed.

Application--means a signed and dated statement on a form prescribed by the department that a person wishes to receive program benefits. BPG Glossary, page 3.

Applicant--means the person who signed application for program benefits has been received in the local office. The person remains an applicant until the application has been approved or denied. BPG Glossary, page 3.

Therefore, as a matter of law, the claimant remains an applicant until Medicaid is approved or denied.

#### DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that a signed Medicaid application was received by the DHS on November 5, 2008.

Accordingly, it is ORDERED that the claimant's application be processed within 10 work days.

<u>/s/</u>

William A. Sundquist Administrative Law Judge for Ismael Ahmed, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: February 25, 2010

Date Mailed: February 26, 2010

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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.

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