# 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.: 2009-20087

Issue No.: 2009

Case No.:

Load No.:

Hearing Date: July 16, 2009

Macomb County DHS (2)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Linda Steadley Schwarb

#### 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 hearing was held on July 16, 2009. The claimant was represented by

#### **ISSUE**

Did the Department of Human Services (DHS or department) properly determine that claimant is not "disabled" for purposes of the Medical Assistance (MA-P) program?

#### 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 July 23, 2008, an application was filed on claimant's behalf for MA-P benefits. The application requested MA-P retroactive to April 2008.
- (2) On November 20, 2008, the department denied claimant's application for benefits based upon the belief that claimant did not meet the requisite disability criteria.

- (3) On February 17, 2009, a hearing request was filed to protest the department's determination.
- (4) At the hearing, the parties reached an accord. The parties agreed that the department correctly determined that claimant does not meet required disability criteria. The department further agreed it will review claimant's July 23, 2008 application for eligibility under the Resident County Hospitalization program.
- (5) Claimant's authorized representative indicated satisfaction with the department's plan of action.

#### **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 provides that disposition may be made of a contested case by stipulation or agreed settlement. MCL 24.278(2). In this case, the parties reached an accord. The parties agreed that the department correctly determined that claimant does not meet required disability criteria for purposes of eligibility for MA-P benefits.. The department further agreed it will review claimant's July 23, 2008 application for eligibility under the Resident County Hospitalization program. Claimant's authorized representative indicated satisfaction with the department's plan of action.

#### DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that the Department of Human Services properly determined that claimant is not "disabled" for purposes of the Medical Assistance program. Further, the department shall review claimant's July 23, 2008 application for eligibility under the Resident County Hospitalization program. The department shall notify claimant and her authorized representative of it's determination in writing.

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Linda Steadley Schwarb Administrative Law Judge for Ismael Ahmed, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: <u>10/22/09</u>

Date Mailed: <u>10/22/09</u>

**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 the Circuit 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 recip date of the rehearing decision.

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