

STATE OF MICHIGAN
STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:

[REDACTED],

Claimant

Reg. No.: 2009-23872

Issue No.: 2000

Case No.: [REDACTED]

Load No.: [REDACTED]

Hearing Date:

February 8, 2010

Macomb County DHS (36)

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 February 8, 2010. Claimant was represented by [REDACTED].

ISSUE

Did the Department of Human Services (DHS or department) properly deny claimant Medical Assistance (MA) benefits for April of 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) On February 15, 2008, an application was filed on claimant's behalf for MA benefits.

- 2) Thereafter, on December 20, 2008, the department opened MA for claimant but did not provide MA benefits to claimant for April of 2008 because of a perceived inability to determine eligibility for that month.
- 3) On January 21, 2009, a hearing request was filed to protest the department's failure to provide MA benefits for April of 2008.
- 4) At the hearing, the parties reached an accord. The department agreed to initiate reconsideration of claimant's eligibility for MA for the month of April of 2008. Claimant's authorized representative indicated satisfaction with the department's plan of action.

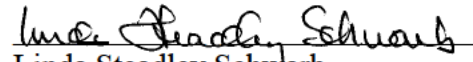
CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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 department agreed to initiate reconsideration of claimant's eligibility for MA for the month of April of 2008. 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 shall initiate reconsideration of claimant's eligibility for Medical Assistance for the month of April of 2008. The department shall notify claimant and her authorized representative of its determination in writing.


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

Date Signed: March 29, 2010

Date Mailed: March 30, 2010

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.

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