# 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.: 2009-28384

Issue No.: 2009

Case No.: Load No.:

Hearing Date:
August 12, 2009

Macomb County DHS

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 August 12, 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:

 On July 25, 2008, claimant authorized representative filed an application on claimant's behalf for MA-P benefits. The application requested MA-P retroactive to April 2008.

- 2) Thereafter, the department denied the application but failed to notify claimant's authorized representative of same.
- 3) On December 23, 2008, claimant's authorized representative filed a hearing request to protest the department's determination.
- 4) At the hearing, the parties reached an accord. The parties agreed that claimant did not meet the disability criteria necessary for claimant's July 25, 2008 application for MA-P.

#### 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 claimant was not "disabled" for purposes of the July 25, 2008 application for the Medical Assistance program.

#### 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 Medical Assistance.

Accordingly, the department's decision in this matter is hereby AFFIRMED.

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

Date Signed: <u>11/03/09</u>

Date Mailed: 11/09/09

**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.

### LSS/dj

