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: Issue No:

2009-37264 2009; 4031

Case No:

Load No:

Hearing Date: November 3, 2009 Ionia County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Janice Spodarek

HEARING DECISION

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9; MSA 16.409 and MCL 400.37; MSA 16.437 upon claimant's request for a hearing to protest the denial of claimant's application for MA and SDA. After due notice, a hearing was held on November 3, 2009.

ISSUE

Whether claimant meets the disability criteria for Medical Assistance (MA) and State Disability Assistance (SDA)?

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 3/2/09, claimant applied for MA-P and SDA with the Michigan DHS.
- (2) Claimant did not apply for retro MA.
- The MRT subsequently denied claimant but did not date their form. (3)

- (4) On 7/30/09, the department issued notice.
- (5) On 8/4/09, claimant filed a hearing request.
- (6) On 10/6/09, SHRT denied claimant.
- (7) At the administrative hearing, the department indicated that claimant reapplied on 8/4/09 for MA, SDA, and retro MA. On 10/27/09, MRT approved stating that claimant has a disability onset date of March, 2008. There are no months left to substantively review herein.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The State Disability Assistance (SDA) program which provides financial assistance for disabled persons is established by 2004 PA 344. The Department of Human Services (DHS or department) administers the SDA program pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and MAC R 400.3151-400.3180. Department policies are found in the Program Administrative Manual (PAM), the Program Eligibility Manual (PEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

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).

After careful review of the substantial and credible evidence on the whole record, claimant is eligible for MA, SDA, and retro MA from the month of his application at issue herein--3/2/09, and including any retro need as MRT subsequently approved eligibility based upon a subsequent reapplication. MRT identified claimant's onset date as March, 2008.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that the claimant meets the definition of medically disabled under the MA and SDA programs as of the March 2, 2009 application date, including retro MA, if otherwise eligible, and as permitted under policy and procedure. The department shall issue any supplemental benefits to claimant to which he may be entitled.

The department shall review this case in accordance with its usual policy and procedure.

/s/

Janice Spodarek
Administrative Law Judge
for Ismael Ahmed, Director
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: November 9, 2009

Date Mailed: November 10, 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 receipt 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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