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.: 2009-6824

Issue No.: 2013/3002

Case No.: Load No.:

Hearing Date: February 23, 2009

Jackson County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Michael J. Bennane

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 the Claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice a telephone hearing was held on February 23, 2009. The Claimant personally appeared and testified.

<u>ISSUE</u>

Did the Department properly calculate the Claimant's Food Assistance (FAP) and deny his Medical Assistance (MA)?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- 1. On November 12, 2008, the Claimant applied for FAP and MA.
- On December 4, 2008, the Department notified the Claimant of her FAP allotment and of the denial of her MA application for Healthy Kids.
- 3. On December 9, 2008, the Claimant filed a request for a hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Food Assistance Program (FAP) (formerly known as the Food Stamp (FS) program) is established by the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended, and is implemented by the federal regulations contained in Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). The Department of Human Services (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers the FAP program pursuant to MCL 400.10, et seq., and MAC R 400.3001-3015. 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 (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) 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 Claimant does question the accuracy of the Departments calculation of her FAP and the denial of MA.

The law provides that disposition may be made of a contested case by stipulation or agreed settlement. MCL 24 278(2) In the instant case, the parties reached an accord. The Department agreed to accept the new information about the Claimant's income and refigure the Claimant's FAP budgets if applicable.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge based on the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, REVERSES AND ORDERS the Department to accept the new documentation about the Claimant's income and expenses and refigure the Claimant's FAP budgets if applicable.

<u>/s/</u>

Michael J. Bennane Administrative Law Judge for Ismael Ahmed, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: 03/18/09

Date Mailed: <u>03/18/09</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 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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