

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: 2009-34161

Issue No: 2009; 4031

Case No: [REDACTED]

Load No: [REDACTED]

Hearing Date:

October 13, 2009

St. Clair 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 scheduled for October 13, 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 4/14/09, claimant applied for MA-P and SDA with the Michigan DHS.
- (2) Claimant applied for three months of retro MA.
- (3) On 6/18/09, MRT denied.

(4) On 6/23/09, the department issued notice.

(5) On 7/2/09, claimant filed a hearing request.

(6) On 9/28/09, SHRT denied claimant.

(7) On 9/23/09, SOAHR scheduled an administrative hearing for 10/13/09. At the time and place of the administrative hearing, the undersigned was informed by Ms. Rose Oliver with the St. Clair County DHS that pursuant to a subsequent reapplication on 7/9/2009, MRT reversed its prior decision all the way back to the application date for the case at issue herein. Pursuant to an 8/24/09 MRT approval, claimant was approved MA, SDA, and three months of retro MA back to 1/12/09. 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).

Because of the MRT determination, it is not necessary for the Administrative Law Judge to discuss the issue of disability, per BAM Item 600.

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 April, 2009 application date, including the three months of retro MA, if otherwise eligible, and as permitted under policy and procedure. The department is to review this case in conjunction with its usual policy and procedure and the request by the MRT on its 8/24/09 decision.

/s/

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

Date Signed: October 16, 2009


Date Mailed: October 16, 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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