

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING SYSTEM  
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:

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[REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

Reg. No: 2010-1881

Issue No: 2009

Case No: [REDACTED]

Load No:

Hearing Date:

December 16, 2009

Ingham County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Jay W. Sexton

**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, an in-person hearing was held on December 16, 2009, in Lansing. The claimant personally appeared and testified under oath. The claimant was represented by [REDACTED] from [REDACTED].

The department was represented by Sally Wilson (ES).

Claimant requested additional time to submit new medical evidence. Claimant's new medical evidence was mailed to the State Hearing Review Team (SHRT) on February 18, 2010. Claimant waived the timeliness requirement so her new medical evidence could be reviewed by SHRT. After SHRT's second disability denial, the Administrative Law Judge issued the decision below.

**ISSUES**

- (1) Did claimant establish a severe mental impairment expected to preclude her from substantial gainful work, **continuously**, for one year (MA-P)?
- (2) Did claimant establish a severe physical impairment expected to preclude her from substantial gainful work, **continuously**, for one year (MA-P)?

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

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

- (1) Claimant is an MA-P applicant (January 23, 2009) who was denied by SHRT (October 20, 2009 and February 26, 2010) based on claimant's ability to work. Claimant requested retro MA for November and December 2008 and January 2009.
- (2) Claimant's vocational factors are: age--47; education—high school diploma; post high school education—four semesters at [REDACTED] (biology major); work experience—cashier at [REDACTED], cashier at a local gas station, and [REDACTED] driver for 13 years.
- (3) Claimant has not performed Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA) since she worked as a cashier at [REDACTED] in 2008.
- (4) Claimant has the following unable-to-work complaints:
  - (a) Multiple sclerosis;
  - (b) Unable to drive;
  - (c) Memory dysfunction;
  - (d) Seizures (November 2009);
  - (e) Anxiety;
  - (f) Depression; and
  - (g) Crohn's disease.
- (5) On March 2, 2010, the Social Security Administration (SSA) approved claimant for RSDI/SSI benefits with a disability onset date of January 6, 2009.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

#### **LEGAL BASE**

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).

On or about March 2, 2010, SSA approved claimant for RSDI/SSI benefits with the disability onset date of January 6, 2009. Therefore, the Administrative Law Judge does not have jurisdiction to rule on the issue of disability at this time.

**DECISION AND ORDER**

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that claimant meets the MA-P disability requirements under PEM 260. Claimant is disabled for MA-P purposes based on the recent RSDI/SSI approval by SSA.

Accordingly, the department's denial of claimant's MA-P application is, hereby, REVERSED.

The department shall open claimant's MA-P case, effective November 1, 2008.

SO ORDERED.

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Jay W. Sexton  
Administrative Law Judge  
For Maura D. Corrigan, Director  
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: June 10, 2011

Date Mailed: June 10, 2011

**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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