STATE OF MICHIGAN STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF: Reg. No.: 2010-20133

Issue No.: 2000 Claimant Case No.:

Load No.:

Hearing Date: May 6, 2010

Wayne County DHS (19)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Colleen M. Mamelka

HEARING DECISION

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37 upon the Claimant request for hearing received by the Department on November 16, 2009. After due notice, a hearing was held in Inkster, Michigan on Thursday, May 6, 2010. The Claimant's authorized hearing representative, of appeared on behalf of the Department.

ISSUE

Whether the Department acted in accordance with Department policy when processing the Claimant's billing exception request for the months of January and March of 2009?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

1. The Claimant is a MA recipient.

- 2. After the MA case was activated, the Claimant requested billing exceptions for the months of January and March 2009.
- 3. The exceptions for retroactive Medicaid were not processed.
- 4. On November 16, 2009, the Department received the Claimant's written request for hearing.
- 5. During the hearing, the Department agreed to process the billing exceptions.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Medical Assistance ("MA") program is established by Subchapter XIX of Chapter 7 of The Public Health & Welfare Act. 42 USC 1397 and is administered by the Department of Human Services ("DHS"), formerly known as the Family Independence Agency, pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq* and MCL 400.105. Departmental policies are found in the Bridges Administrative Manual ("BAM"), the Bridges Eligibility Manual ("BEM"), and the Bridges Reference Manual ("BRM").

In the record presented, the Department agreed to process the billing exception request for retroactive Medicaid for the months of January and March 2009. In light of the accord, there is no additional issue that needs to be addressed.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, finds the Department's actions are not upheld.

Accordingly, it is ORDERED:

1. The Department's actions are not upheld.

2. The Department shall, as agreed, process the billing exception request for the retroactive MA months of January and March 2009 in accordance with department policy.

Collein M. Mamilka

Colleen M. Mamelka Administrative Law Judge for Ismael Ahmed, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: <u>5/18/2010</u>

Date Mailed: <u>5/18/2010</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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