

STATE OF MICHIGAN
STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

Reg. No: 2010-41678

Issue No: 2009

Case No: [REDACTED]

Load No: [REDACTED]

Hearing Date:

August 12, 2010

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 August 12, 2010, in Lansing. Claimant personally appeared and testified under oath. Claimant was represented by [REDACTED].

The department was represented by Jeanne Lugo (Lead Worker).

Claimant requested additional time to submit new medical evidence. Claimant waived the timeliness requirement so her new medical evidence could be reviewed by SHRT.

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 (May 11, 2010) who was denied by SHRT (July 13, 2010) based on insufficient medical evidence.

- (2) Claimant's vocational factors are: age--46; education--11th grade; post high school education--certified welder; work experience--hotel maid and home health aide.
- (3) Claimant has not performed Substantial Gainful Activity (SGA) since she worked as a hotel maid in 1981.
- (4) Claimant has the following unable-to-work complaints:
 - (a) Left side paralysis;
 - (b) Left eye diminished vision;
 - (c) Short-term memory dysfunction;
 - (d) Balance issues;
 - (e) Mental health issues;
 - (f) Unable to do her activities of daily living by herself.
- (5) On October 14, 2010, the Social Security Administration (SSA) approved claimant for SSI benefits with a disability onset date of May 7, 2010.

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).

SSA approved claimant for SSI benefits with a disability onset date of May 7, 2010. Therefore, the ALJ 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/BEM 260. Claimant is disabled for MA-P purposes based on the recent 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 May 1, 2010.

SO ORDERED.

/s/

Jay W. Sexton
Administrative Law Judge
for Ismael Ahmed, Director
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: November 30, 2010

Date Mailed: November 30, 2010

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.

JWS/tg

cc:

A large black rectangular redaction box covering several lines of text in the cc field.