#### STATE OF MICHIGAN

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

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF:



Reg. No.: 201042319

Issue No.: 2000

Case No.:

Load No.:

Hearing Date: October 21, 2010

Wayne County DHS (17)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Michael J. Bennane

## **HEARING DECISION**

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37 upon the claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on October 21, 2010. The claimant appeared and testified. The claimant was represented by his Authorized Representative (AR),

## <u>ISSUE</u>

Did the Department properly process the claimant's Medical Assistance (MA) and retroactive MA applications?

# FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- 1. On November 24, 2009, the claimant filed an application for MA and retroactive MA.
- 2. On April 7, 2010, the claimant filed a request for a hearing.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

The Medical Assistance (MA) program is established by the 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 Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

#### STANDARDS OF PROMPTNESS

## **All Programs**

The standard of promptness (SOP) begins the date the department receives an application/filing form, with minimum required information.

**Exception #1**: For **FAP**, the SOP begins when the **correct** local office receives it; see BAM 110, WHERE TO APPLY/PROCESS APPLICATIONS, FAP ONLY.

**Exception #2**: For **FAP**, when a person applies for SSI and FAP before being released from a medical institution, the SOP begins on the applicant's date of release. See BAM 105, for the minimum required information for filing.

Process applications and requests for member adds as quickly as possible, with priority to the earliest application date; see Processing Delays in this item. Requests for member adds must be entered in Bridges.

#### FIP, SDA, RAP, CDC, MA and AMP Only

Certify program approval or denial of the application within 45 days. Bridges automatically generates the client notice and if applicable, the CDC provider notice. (BAM 115, p.11).

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 reregister the November 24, 2009, applications.

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, finds that the department and claimant have come to an agreement and ORDERS the department to reregister the November 24, 2009, MA and retroactive MA applications.

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

Date Signed: <u>11/03/2010</u>

Date Mailed: <u>11/03/2010</u>

<u>NOTICE</u>: 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 mailing 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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