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.: 201042820
Issue No.: 2012
Case No.:
Load No.:
Hearing Date: October 20, 2010
Wayne County DHS (15)

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 20, 2010. The claimant appeared and testified.

ISSUE

Whether the Department was correct in processing the claimant's Medical Assistance (MA)?

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 May 18, 2009, the Claimant filed an application for MA and retroactive MA.
- 2. On October 22, 2009, the department processed the claimant's MA application.
- 3. On January 6, 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

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400.105. Department policies are found in the Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

In this case the department did not process the claimant's MA application in a timely manner.

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 department's delay in processing caused the claimant to not receive benefits from the time of the application being filed.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, REVERSES and ORDERS the department to reregister the Claimant's May 18, 2009, MA application. The department is further ORDERED to coordinate its reregistration with the SSA in an effort to ensure the claimant receives all the benefits she is entitled to.

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

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

Date Mailed: ____11/03/2010_____

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.

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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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