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.: 201043006

Issue No.: 2007

Case No.:

Load No.:

Hearing Date: November 10, 2010

Macomb County DHS (20)

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 November 10, 2010. The claimant appeared and testified

<u>ISSUE</u>

Did the Department properly deny 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 March 8, 2010, the claimant applied for MA.
- 2. On May 27, 2010, the department sent the claimant a medical determination verification checklist requesting various pieces of documentation. (Department exhibit 2).
- 3. On June 14, 2010, the department notified the claimant that his MA was denied for lack of verification.
- 4. On July 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).

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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).

At the hearing the claimant testified that he had been in jail/rehab since April 28, 2010, through June 30, 2010. The department was not able to notify the claimant because it was unaware of the claimant's lack of availability.

Obtaining Verification

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Tell the client what verification is required, how to obtain it, and the due date (see **Timeliness of Verifications** in this item). Use the DHS-3503, Verification Checklist, or for MA redeterminations, the DHS-1175, MA Determination Notice, to request verification.

For FAP only, if there is a system-generated due date on the verification form such as a DHS-3688, Shelter Verification, a verification checklist is not required to be sent with the verification form.

Use the DHS-3503C, Verification Checklist for Citizenship/Identity to request documentation of citizenship or identity for FIP, SDA, MA or AMP determinations.

The client must obtain required verification, but you must assist if they need and request help. (BAM 130, pp.2-3)

In the instant case, this ALJ finds that the claimant did not provide the department with the necessary documentation/information.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, AFFIRMS the Department's actions in the instant case.

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

Date Signed: <u>12/6/2010</u>

Date Mailed: <u>12/6/2010</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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