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

IN THE MATTER OF:

Reg. No.: 2010-50643

Issue No.: 2000

Case No.:

Load No.:

Hearing Date: October 7, 2010
DHS County: Macomb (36)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Linda Steadley Schwarb

#### **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, a hearing was held on October 7, 2010. Claimant was represented by

#### ISSUE

Did the Department of Human Services (DHS or department) correctly provide claimant with the requested Medical Assistance (MA-P) coverage?

#### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

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

- On October 9, 2009, an application was filed on claimant's behalf for MA-P benefits. The application requested MA-P retroactive to August of 2009.
- 2. Thereafter, the department opened MA-P for claimant effective October of 2009.
- On April 28, 2010, a hearing request was filed to protest the department's failure to provide MA-P for August and September of 2009.
- 4. At the hearing, the parties reached an accord. The department agreed to open MA-P for claimant for the months of August and September of 2009. The department indicated that it has submitted an MSA 1038, Request for Exception to the 12-Month Billing Limitation for Medical Services.
- 5. Claimant's authorized representative indicated satisfaction with the department's plan of action.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

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 (BAM), the Program Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

The law provides that disposition may be made of a contested case by stipulation or agreed settlement. MCL 24.278(2). In this case, the parties reached an accord. The department agreed to open MA-P for claimant for the months of August and September of 2009. The department indicated that it has submitted an MSA 1038, Request for Exception to the 12-Month Billing Limitation for Medical Services. Claimant's authorized representative indicated satisfaction with the department's plan of action.

#### **DECISION AND ORDER**

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that the Department of Human Services shall open Medical Assistance for claimant for the months of August and September of 2009.

Linda Steadley Schwarb
Administrative Law Judge
for Ismael Ahmed, Director
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: October 18, 2010

Date Mailed: October 22, 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.

## LSS/pf

