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.: 201052328

Issue No.: 2000

Case No.:

Load No.:

Hearing Date: December 9, 2010

Macomb County DHS (36)

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 December 9, 2010. The claimant appeared and testified. The claimant was represented by her authorized representative (AR), of

ISSUE

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:

- On December 8, 2009, the claimant's AR submitted an application for MA and retro MA.
- 2. On April 20, 2010, the department denied the claimant's MA application for excess income.
- 3. On July 22, 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

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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).

SCHEDULING

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Bridges generates a redetermination packet to the client three days prior to the negative action cut-off date in the month before the redetermination is due; see RFS 103. Bridges sends a DHS-2063B, continuing Your Food Assistance Benefits, to **FAP** clients for whom FIP, SDA, MA, AMP, and/or TMAP are **not** active. The packet is sent to the mailing address in Bridges. The packet is sent to the physical address when there is no mailing address. The packet is also sent to the MA authorized representative on file. (BAM 210, p 4)

Here, the department did not send the redetermination packet to the claimant's AR. 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 December 8, 2009, MA and retroactive MA 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 December 8, 2009, MA and retro MA applications.

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

Date Signed: ____1/05/2011_____

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Date Mailed: 1/05/2011

<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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