STATE OF MICHIGAN

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

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No.: 2010-53688

Issue No.: <u>6000</u>

Case No.: Load No.:

Hearing Date: January 10, 2011

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 January 10, 2011. The claimant appeared and testified.

<u>ISSUE</u>

Did the department properly close the claimant's Child Care (CDC)?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- 1. The claimant was an ongoing CDC recipient.
- 2. On August 12, the department sent the claimant a verification checklist requesting pieces of documentation. (Department exhibit 1)
- 3. On September 12, 2010, the department closed the claimant's CDC.
- 4. On September 8, 2010, the Claimant filed a request for a hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Child Development and Care program is established by Titles IVA, IVE and XX of the Social Security Act, the Child Care and Development Block Grant of 1990, and the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. The program is implemented by Title 45 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 98 and 99. The Department of Human Services (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency)

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provides services to adults and children pursuant to MCL 400.14(1) and Michigan Administrative Code Rules R 400.5001-5015. Department policies are contained in the Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Bridges Reference Manual (BRM).

In the instant case, the department closed the claimant's CDC case in September, 2009, after having failed to provide the department with the documentation requested.

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

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 reopen the claimant's CDC for documented CDC back to September 12, 2010.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based on 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 reopen CDC for CDC delivered back to September 12, 2010.

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Michael J. Bennane
Administrative Law Judge
For Maura Corrigan, Director
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: <u>2/7/2011</u>

Date Mailed: <u>2/7/2011</u>

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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