# STATE OF MICHIGAN STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES

## ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:

Claimant

Reg. No.: 2010-6160

Issue No.: 2000

Case No.:

Load No.: Hearing Date:

April 29, 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; MSA 16.409 and MCL 400.37; MSA 16.437 upon the Claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice a telephone hearing was held on April 29, 2010. The claimant was represented by her Authorized Representative (AR)

#### **ISSUE**

Did the Department properly deny the claimant's Medical Assistance (MA), and retroactive MA redetermination?

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- 1. On August 5, 2009, the claimant applied for MA and retroactive MA.
- On August 5, 2009, the department sent the claimant a verification checklist requesting various pieces of documentation/information. (Department exhibit 1).

- 3. On August 26, 2009, the department denied the claimant's MA and retroactive MA for lack of verification.
- 4. On September 8, 2009, the claimant filed a request for a hearing.

#### 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 (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 Program Administrative Manual (PAM), the Program Eligibility Manual (PEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

Effective June 1, 2008

#### **MA Only**

Allow the client 10 calendar days (or other time limit specified in policy) to provide the verification you request. If the client cannot provide the verification despite a reasonable effort, extend the time limit up to three times. (PAM 130, p.4).

Here, the AR requested a second extension on August 21, 2009, and the department denied the applications five (5) days later.

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 MA, and retroactive MA applications using the August 5, 2009, application date.

#### 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 reregister the August 5, 2009, MA and retroactive MA applications.

Michael J. Bennane Administrative Law Judge

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for Ismael Ahmed, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: <u>6/3/2010</u>

Date Mailed: 6/3/2010

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.

The Claimant may appeal the Decision and Order to Circuit Court within 30 days of the receipt 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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