

STATE OF MICHIGAN
STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:

[REDACTED]

Claimant

Reg. No.: 2010-7996
Issue No.: 2007
Case No.: [REDACTED]
Load No.: [REDACTED]
Hearing Date:
April 26, 2010
Wayne County DHS (18)

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, an in person hearing was held on April 26, 2010. The Claimant personally appeared and testified.

ISSUE

Did the Department properly close the claimant's Medical Assistance (MA) application?

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 19, 2009, the department began a redetermination of the claimant's MA.
2. On September 18, 2009, the department closed the claimant's MA.
3. On September 24, 2009 the claimant requested 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).

In the instant case, the department sent the claimant an application for his annual redetermination on August 19, 2009. The redetermination application was due on September 1, 2009.

After the department closed the claimant's MA he filed for a hearing. The claimant testified that his mother had been handling these matters but she had passed away.

SDA, CDC, MA, AMP, TMAP and FAP

A **redetermination** is a periodic, thorough reevaluation of all eligibility factors to determine whether the group continues to be eligible for program benefits **or**, for **MA only**, whether a deductible case can remain active. (PAM 210, p.1).

Here, the claimant failed to return the redetermination application. This ALJ finds that the department correctly closed the claimant's MA.

DECISION AND ORDER

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



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

Date Signed: 6/3/2010

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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