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.: 2010-9063 Issue No.: 2009 Case No.: Load No.: Hearing Date: June 3, 2010 Oakland County DHS (02)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Jonathan W. Owens

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

June 3, 2010. Claimant appeared and testified.

ISSUE

Whether the Department of Human Services (Department) properly determined that

Claimant is not "disabled" for purposes of the Medical Assistance (MA-P) program?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- 1. On January 12, 2009, Claimant applied for MA-P and retro MA-P.
- 2. On March 16, 2009, the Medical Review Team denied Claimant's request.
- 3. On June 8, 2009, Claimant submitted to the Department a request for hearing.
- 4. The State Hearing and Review Team denied Claimant's request.

5. On June 17, 2010, the State Hearing and Review Team, upon review of newly submitted information, approved MA-P back to October of 2008.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Medical Assistance (MA-P) 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 administers the MA-P 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 State Disability Assistance (SDA) program which provides financial assistance for disabled persons is established by 2004 PA 344. The Department administers the SDA program pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and MAC R 400.3151-400.3180. Department policies are found in the Program Administrative Manual (BAM), the Program Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

Because of the State Hearing and Review Team's determination, it is not necessary for the Administrative Law Judge to discuss the issue of disability.

The Department is required to initiate a determination of Claimant's financial eligibility for the requested benefits, if not previously done.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that Claimant is medically disabled under the MA program as of October of 2008.

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Accordingly, the Department is hereby ORDERED to open an ongoing MA case for

Claimant effective October of 2008.

Jonathan W. Owens Administrative Law Judge for Ismael Ahmed, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: July 12, 2010

Date Mailed: July 12, 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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