STATE OF MICHIGAN STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES

ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:

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Claimant

Reg. No: 2010-9666

Issue No: 2006

Case No:

Load No:

Hearing Date: May 5, 2010

Kalamazoo County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: William A. Sundquist

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 telephone hearing was held on May 5, 2010.

<u>ISSUE</u>

Was verification compliance established?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- Negative case action: MA application on July 23, 2009, was denied on
 September 15, 2009, based on the issue above per BAM 105.
- (2) On July 28, 2009, the DHS requested verifications from the claimant with a returned due-date of August 7, 2009; medical verification was not submitted.
- (3) On August 6, 2009, the claimant submitted an uncompleted medical questionnaire which did not identify his medical sources.

- (4) On August 25, 2009, the agency resent the claimant a questionnaire for him, to identify his medical source(s); it was not submitted.
 - (5) Claimants application did not disclose that he had no medical sources.

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 (DHS or department) 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).

Facts above are undisputed.

The client might be unable to answer a question about himself or another person whose circumstances must be known. Allow the client at least 10 days (or other timeframe specified in policy) to obtain the needed information. PAM, Item 105, p. 5.

The claimant testified that he had told his caseworker that he had no medical sources and that is why he could not completely comply with verification requirements.

The caseworker testified that she does not recall any verbal communications from the claimant that he had no medical sources, nor does any of his submitted documents disclose this.

The claimant had the responsibility to disclose any problem with verification requirements and asked the DHS for timely help. PAM 105, page 8.. This he did not do.

Therefore, this ALJ does not find the claimants compliance with timely verification requirements.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that verification compliance was not established.

Accordingly, MA denial is UPHELD.

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William A. Sundquist
Administrative Law Judge
for Ismael Ahmed, Director
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: August 3, 2010

Date Mailed: August 4, 2010

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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.

