

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: 201027139  
Issue No: 2000  
Case No: [REDACTED]  
Load No: [REDACTED]  
Hearing Date:  
June 10, 2010  
Wayne County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Robert J. Chavez

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 10, 2010. Claimant was represented by [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED]

ISSUE

Did the Department properly deny claimant's application for Medical Assistance benefits?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- (1) Claimant applied for Medicaid benefits on July 30, 2009.
- (2) DHS denied claimant's application on October 24, 2009.

- (3) The Department agreed, in January 2010, that claimant had a deductible case and was eligible for Medicaid benefits for the month of June 2009.
- (4) Benefits were never opened for the month of June 2009.
- (5) At the hearing, DHS agreed to open claimant's Medicaid case for the month of June 2009.
- (6) As a result of this agreement, claimant, via his representative, indicated that he no longer wished to proceed with the 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 Family Independence Agency (FIA or agency) administers the MA program pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and MCL 400.105; MSA 16.490(15). Agency policies are found in the Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Bridges Reference Manual (BRM).


Under Bridges Administrative Manual Item 600, clients have the right to contest any agency decision affecting eligibility or benefit levels whenever they believe the decision is illegal. The agency provides an Administrative Hearing to review the decision and determine if it is appropriate. Agency policy includes procedures to meet the minimal requirements for a fair hearing. Efforts to clarify and resolve the client's concerns start when the agency receives a hearing request and continues through the day of the hearing.

In the present case, the Department has agreed to establish claimant's Medicaid case and benefits for the month of June 2009 pursuant to his application of July 30,

2009. As a result of this agreement, claimant indicated he no longer wished to proceed with the hearing. Since the claimant and the Department have come to an agreement, it is unnecessary for this Administrative Law Judge to make a decision regarding the facts and issues in this case.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that the Department and the claimant have reached a settlement in the current case. Therefore, it is unnecessary for the Administrative Law Judge to render a decision. The Department is ORDERED to establish Medicaid benefits for the claimant for the month of June 2009.

  
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Robert J. Chavez  
Administrative Law Judge  
for Ismael Ahmed, Director  
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: 07/02/10

Date Mailed: 07/08/10

**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 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.

RJC/dj

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