

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.: 2010-30687  
Issue No.: 2009, 4031  
Case No.: [REDACTED]  
Load No.: [REDACTED]  
Hearing Date:  
May 27, 2010  
Sanilac County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Linda Steadley Schwarb

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 May 27, 2010. Claimant appeared and testified.

ISSUE

Did the Department of Human Services (DHS or department) properly determine that claimant is not "disabled" for purposes of the Medical Assistance (MA-P) and State Disability Assistance (SDA) programs?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- 1) On December 10, 2008, claimant applied for MA-P and SDA benefits.
- 2) The department did not submit medical evidence gathered in response to claimant's December 10, 2008, application to the Medical Review Team.

- 3) On April 1, 2009, the department denied claimant's application for benefits based upon the assertion that claimant was not disabled.
- 4) On April 14, 2009, a hearing request was filed to protest the department's determination.
- 5) At the hearing, the parties reached an accord. The department agreed to reprocess claimant's December 10, 2008, application for benefits and to submit claimant's medical evidence to the Medical Review Team for its consideration.
- 6) Claimant indicated satisfaction with the department's plan of action.

#### 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).

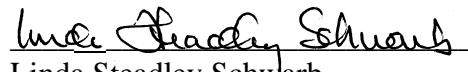
The State Disability Assistance (SDA) program which provides financial assistance for disabled persons is established by 2004 PA 344. The Department of Human Services (DHS or department) administers the SDA program pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and MAC R 400.3151-400.3180. Department policies are found in the Program Administrative Manual (PAM), the Program Eligibility Manual (PEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

The law provides that disposition may be made of a contested case by stipulation or agreed settlement. MCL 24.278(2). In this case, the parties reached an accord. The department agreed to reprocess claimant's December 10, 2008, application for benefits and to submit

claimant's medical evidence to the Medical Review Team for its consideration. Claimant indicated satisfaction with the department's plan of action.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that the Department of Human Services shall reprocess claimant's December 10, 2008, application for Medical Assistance and State Disability Assistance. The department shall submit claimant's medical packet to the Medical Review Team for its consideration. The department will provide claimant with notification in writing as to its determination regarding claimant's eligibility for program benefits pursuant to the December 10, 2008, application.

  
Linda Steadley Schwarb  
Administrative Law Judge  
for Ismael Ahmed, Director  
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: June 3, 2010

Date Mailed: June 7, 2010

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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.

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