

**STATE OF MICHIGAN
MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING SYSTEM
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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES**

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No: 201051936
Issue No: 2009
Case No: [REDACTED]
Hearing Date:
December 15, 2010
Wayne County DHS (43)

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 December 15, 2010 by teleconference in Detroit, Michigan.

ISSUE

Was the denial of claimant's MA-P and SDA application for lack of disability correct?

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 MA-P and SDA on May 10, 2010.
- (2) On June 24, 2010, the Medical Review Team denied MA-P and SDA.
- (3) On August 17, 2010, claimant filed for hearing.
- (4) On September 14, 2010, the State Hearing Review Team denied MA-P and SDA.
- (5) On December 15, 2010, a hearing was held before the Administrative Law Judge.
- (6) On February 9, 2011, a hearing was held on the issue of disability before an Administrative Law Judge for the Social Security Administration.
- (7) Claimant received a negative decision from the Social Security Administration.
- (8) Claimant was denied SSI due to a negative disability determination.
- (9) Claimant did not appeal this determination.
- (10) Claimant reapplied for SSI on June 21, 2011.

- (11) Claimant's Medicaid application did not claim an additional impairment or a change or deterioration in their condition that the Social Security Administration had not made a determination on.

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 Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Bridges Reference Manual (BRM).

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 Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Bridges Reference Manual (BRM).

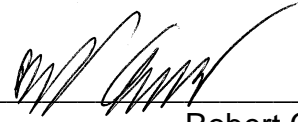
Department policy at BEM 260 states a claimant SSA's determination that disability or blindness does **not** exist for SSI is **final** for MA if the determination was made after 1/1/90, and no further appeals may be made at SSA or the client failed to file an appeal at any step. A determination may proceed however, if the claimant alleges a totally different disabling condition than the condition SSA based its determination on, or an additional impairment(s) or change or deterioration in his/her condition that SSA has **not** made a determination on. In the present case, claimant testified that the condition for which he applied for MA-P was the same condition that the SSA made a determination on at the hearing on February 9, 2011.

In the present case, the claimant was found by the Social Security Administration to be ineligible for RSDI and SSI benefits based upon disability. Claimant did not appeal this determination, and this decision was final. Therefore, as the claimant has had a final determination of not disabled by the SSA, the Administrative Law Judge must find that that determination is final for the purposes of the MA-P programs. Therefore, the undersigned finds that the claimant does not meet the Department's definition of disabled for the purposes of MA-P and SDA programs.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that the claimant is not medically disabled for the purposes of the MA programs.

Accordingly, the Department's decision in the above stated matter is, hereby, AFFIRMED.



Robert Chavez
Administrative Law Judge
for Maura Corrigan, Director
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: 10/04/11

Date Mailed: 10/04/11

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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