

STATE OF MICHIGAN
STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF:



Reg. No.: 201052593
Issue No.: 2007
Case No.: [REDACTED]
Load No.: [REDACTED]
Hearing Date: December 15, 2010
Macomb County DHS (12)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Michael J. Bennane

HEARING DECISION

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37 upon the claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on December 15, 2010. The claimant appeared and testified.

ISSUE

Did the Department properly close the claimant's Medical Assistance (MA)?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

1. On June 15, 2010, the department sent the claimant a Healthy Kids redetermination packet.
2. On July 19, 2010, the department notified the claimant that his MA was closed for lack of response.
3. On August 19, 2010, the Claimant filed a request for a hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Medical Assistance (MA) program is established by the 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 (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) 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 Program Reference Manual (PRM).

At the hearing the claimant testified that she was unaware of the necessity of responding to the department's request for information and a redetermination.

Obtaining Verification

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Tell the client what verification is required, how to obtain it, and the due date (see **Timeliness of Verifications** in this item). Use the DHS-3503, Verification Checklist, or for MA redeterminations, the DHS-1175, MA Determination Notice, to request verification.

For FAP only, if there is a system-generated due date on the verification form such as a DHS-3688, Shelter Verification, a verification checklist is not required to be sent with the verification form.

Use the DHS-3503C, Verification Checklist for Citizenship/Identity to request documentation of citizenship or identity for FIP, SDA, MA or AMP determinations.

The client must obtain required verification, but you must assist if they need and request help. (BAM 130, pp.2-3)

In the instant case, this ALJ finds that the claimant did not provide the department with the necessary documentation/information.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, AFFIRMS the Department's actions in the instant case.



Michael J. Bennane
Administrative Law Judge
For Ismael Ahmed, Director
Department of Human Services

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Date Signed: 12/21/2010


Date Mailed: 12/21/2010

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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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