

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:

[REDACTED]

Reg. No.: 20105573  
Issue No.: 2000  
Case No.: [REDACTED]  
Load No.: [REDACTED]  
Hearing Date: July 8, 2010  
MACOMB County DHS (20)

**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 July 8, 2010. The claimant appeared and testified. The Claimant was represented by his Authorized Representative (AR) [REDACTED].

**ISSUE**

Did the Department properly process the Claimant's Medical Assistance (MA) and retroactive 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 19, 2008, the claimant applied for MA and retroactive MA.
2. On September 28, 2009, the department forwarded the claimant's case to the Medical Review Team (MRT).
3. On March 10, 2009, 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 department testified that the claimant's case had been referred to MRT.

The claimant's AR testified that it had never received any request for verification from the department. The evidence also shows that the AR requested that the department assist it in gathering the requested information and documentation.

The client must obtain required verification, but you must assist if they need and request help. (PAM 130, p. 2)

The law provides that disposition may be made of a contested case by stipulation or agreed settlement. MCL 24. 278(2). In the instant case, the parties reached an accord. The department agreed to accept documentation of assets as they were configured on June 19, 2008, and continue processing the claimant's applications including that information.

### **DECISION AND ORDER**

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, finds that the department and claimant have come to an agreement and ORDERS the department to accept documentation of assets as they were configured on June 19, 2008 and continue processing the claimants reregister the July 20, 2009, MA applications for MA and retroactive MA.



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

Date Signed: 07/14/2010

Date Mailed: 07/14/2010

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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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