

STATE OF MICHIGAN  
MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING SYSTEM  
ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:

[REDACTED]

Reg. No.: 2011-14431  
Issue No. 2012  
Case No. [REDACTED]  
Hearing Date:  
May 5, 2011  
Wayne County DHS

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:** Michael J. Bennane

**HEARING DECISION**

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9; MSA 16.409 and MCL 400.37; MSA 16.437 upon the Claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice, an in person hearing was held on May 5, 2011. The claimant, now deceased, was represented by his/her Authorized Representative (AR) [REDACTED].

**ISSUE**

Did the department properly process the claimant's Medical Assistance (MA), and retroactive MA applications?

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

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

1. On [REDACTED], the claimant's AR filed an application for MA and retroactive MA.
2. On [REDACTED], the claimant's AR filed a request for a hearing requesting that the department process the claimant's MA applications.

### **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 (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 Program Administrative Manual (PAM), the Program Eligibility Manual (PEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

#### **MA Only**


The SOP for an **initial asset assessment** begins the date the local office receives a signed DHS-4574-B, Assets Declaration. Complete the assessment and mail the client and spouse a notice within 45 days; see BEM 402. (BAM 115, p.12).

In the instant case, the department failed to process the claimant's MA and retroactive MA applications.

At the hearing the claimant's AR produced a copy of the claimant's MA and retroactive MA applications.

### **DECISION AND ORDER**

The Administrative Law Judge, based on the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, **REVERSES AND ORDERS** the department to reregister and process the claimant's November 25, 2009, MA and retroactive MA applications.

  
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Michael J. Bennane  
Administrative Law Judge  
For Maura Corrigan, Director  
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: June 8, 2011

Date Mailed: June 8, 2011

**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 receipt 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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