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

IN THE MATTER OF:

Reg. No.: 2011-14539

Issue No.: 2000

Case No.:

Hearing Date: February 10, 2011
DHS County: Wayne (82-18)



ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Jan Leventer

HEARING DECISION

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to Michigan Compiled Laws (MCL) 400.9 and 400.37, and Claimant request for a hearing. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on February 10, 2011. Claimant appeared and testified.

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ISSUE

Whether Claimant is eligible for the Adult Medical Program (AMP) portion of the DHS Medical Assistance (MA or Medicaid) program?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- 1. On November 19, 2010, Claimant applied for AMP benefits with DHS.
- 2. On December 6, 2010, DHS provided Claimant with a Verification of Employment, DHS Form 38, requesting employment information.
- 3. On December 17, 2010, DHS denied Claimant's application.
- On January 14, 2011, Claimant filed a Request for a Hearing with DHS.
- 5. At the hearing on February 10, 2011, DHS agreed to reregister and process Claimant's AMP application, allowing him at least thirty days in which to submit verification of employment to DHS.

6. As a result of DHS' agreement to reregister and process his application, Claimant indicated at the hearing that he no longer wished to continue with the administrative hearing process.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

MA was established by Title XIX of the U.S. Social Security Act and is implemented by Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations. DHS administers the MA program pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and MCL 400.105. DHS' policies are found in the Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Reference Tables (RFT). These manuals are available online at www.michigan.gov/dhs-manuals.

Under BAM Item 600, clients have the right to contest any DHS decision affecting eligibility or benefit levels whenever they believe the decision is illegal. DHS provides an Administrative Hearing to review the decision and determine if it is appropriate. DHS policy includes procedures to meet the minimal requirements for a fair hearing. Efforts to clarify and resolve the client's concerns start when DHS receives a hearing request and continue through the day of the hearing.

At the hearing, the parties agreed to settle and resolve the situation with the remedy that DHS will reregister and process Claimant's AMP application, allowing at least thirty days for Claimant to submit verification of employment. As the parties have agreed to settle their differences, it is not necessary for the Administrative Law Judge to adjudicate the issues presented.

Therefore, IT IS ORDERED that DHS shall reregister and process Claimant's AMP application, allowing adequate time for him to provide verification of employment. This will be accomplished pursuant to the stipulated agreement of the parties and in accordance with DHS policies and procedures.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based on the above findings of fact and conclusions of law and the stipulated agreement of the parties, states IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that DHS shall reregister and process Claimant's MA-AMP application, affording Claimant ample opportunity to submit verification of employment to DHS. DHS shall conduct these actions in accordance with DHS policies and procedures.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Jan Leventer
Administrative Law Judge
for Maura Corrigan, Director
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: February 14, 2011

Date Mailed: February 17, 2011

<u>NOTICE</u>: 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.

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