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

IN THE MATTER OF:

Reg. No: 201116088

Issue No: 2026

Case No:

Load No:

Hearing Date: February 28, 2011 Wayne County DHS

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 February 28, 2011.

ISSUE

Was the claimant's Medicaid coverage properly terminated when claimant failed to submit a medical bill for three months?

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 was a MA recipient in Wayne County.
- (2) Claimant failed to meet her MA deductible for three months.
- (3) Claimant's MA grant was terminated on January 1, 2011.
- (4) On January 4, 2011, claimant requested a hearing, alleging that her MA grant should not have been terminated.

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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) and Reference Tables (RFT).

Eligibility is to be redetermined at least every 12 months unless the group has not

met its deductible within the past three months; Bridges will automatically close a case

in these circumstances. BEM 545.

Claimant admitted that she had not met her deductible for the past three months.

Policy is explicit in this case. As claimant has not met her deductible within the required

time period, claimant's MA case must close.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and

conclusions of law, finds that the Department was correct when it terminated claimant's

Medicaid coverage.

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

AFFIRMED.

Robert J. Chavez Administrative Law Judge for Maura Corrigan, Director

Department of Human Services

Date Signed:_ 03/03/11_

Date Mailed: 03/08/11_

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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.

RJC/dj



