

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

IN THE MATTER OF:

Issue

[REDACTED]

Reg. No.: 2011-29492

No.: 2007

Case No.: [REDACTED]

Hearing Date: May 25, 2011

DHS County: Wayne (82)

**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 a telephone hearing was held on May 23, 2011. The Claimant was represented by her Authorized Representative (AR), [REDACTED]

**ISSUE**

Did the Department of Human Services (Department) properly deny the Claimant's Medical Assistance (MA)?

**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 February 4, 2011, the Claimant applied for MA based on disability.
2. On March 3, 2011, the Department sent the Claimant a medical determination verification checklist requesting various pieces of medical documentation due March, 14, 2011.
3. On April 9, 2011, the Department denied the Claimant's MA application for lack of response to its verification notice.
4. On April 14, 2010, the Claimant filed a request for a hearing.

**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 (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 Bridges Reference Manual (BRM).

At the hearing the Claimant testified that she had not been able to compile the documentation requested in a timely manner and had not contacted the Department for more time to do so. In addition, the Claimant's AR testified that she had filed a second MA application.

### **Obtaining Verification**

#### **All TOA**

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 (VCL), 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, p. 2-3)

In the instant case, this Administrative Law Judge finds that the Department was correct in denying the Claimant's MA.

### **DECISION AND ORDER**

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

Michael  
Administrative  
for  
Department  
Date Signed: June 27, 2011

  
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J. Bennane  
Law Judge  
Maura Corrigan, Director  
of Human Services

Date Mailed: June 27, 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 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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