#### 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:



Reg. No.: 20113041

Issue No.: 2000

Case No.: Load No.:

Hearing Date: January 19, 2011

Wayne County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Aaron McClintic

# **HEARING DECISION**

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge upon pursuant to MCL 400. 9; MCL 400.37 upon Claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on January 19, 2011. The Claimant's Authorized Hearings Representative, appeared and testified. FIM appeared on behalf of the Department.

## ISSUE

Was the Department correct in determining Claimant's MA benefits?

## 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 applied for MA benefits.
- (2) Claimant's MA application was denied for failing to provide verifications.

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- (3) Claimant requested hearing on July 19, 2010 contesting the denial of MA benefits.
- (4) The parties reached an agreement whereby the Department agreed to reinstate and reprocess Claimant's MA coverage for the months of January, February, and March 2010.

## 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 Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

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

In the present case, the parties reached an agreement whereby the Department agreed to reinstate and reprocess Claimant's MA coverage for the months of January, February, and March 2010. Since the Claimant and the Department have come to an

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agreement, it is unnecessary for this Administrative Law Judge to make a decision regarding the facts and issues in this case.

# **DECISION AND ORDER**

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law decides that the Department shall reinstate and reprocess Claimant's MA coverage for the months of January, February, and March 2010.

Administrative Law Judge For Maura Corrigan, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: February 7, 2011

Date Mailed: February 7, 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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