

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

IN THE MATTER OF:

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Reg. No. 2011-34701  
Issue No. 2000  
Case No. [REDACTED]  
Hearing Date: July 5, 2011  
Macomb (12)

**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's request for a hearing. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on July 5, 2011 in Detroit, Michigan. The Claimant appeared and testified at the hearing. [REDACTED], Family Independence Specialist, appeared and testified on behalf of the Department of Human Services (DHS).

**ISSUE**

Whether Claimant cooperated with DHS in processing her application for Medical Assistance (MA or Medicaid)?

**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 February 22, 2011, Claimant applied for MA benefits with retroactive coverage.
2. On March 3, 2011, DHS sent Claimant a Verification Checklist requesting financial information. DHS requested the information by March 14, 2011.
3. On March 16, 2011, Claimant submitted the required information to DHS.
4. On March 28, 2011, DHS denied Claimant's application.

5. On April 4, 2011, Claimant filed a Hearing Request with DHS.
6. At the Administrative Hearing on July 5, 2011, DHS agreed to reinstate and process Claimant's application.
7. As a result of DHS' agreement to reinstate his application, Claimant for his part agreed with a settlement to that effect and testified he no longer wished to proceed with the Administrative Hearing.

### **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 MA pursuant to MCL 400.10 *et seq.* and MCL 400.105. Department policies are found in Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Reference Tables (RFT). These manuals are available online at [www.michigan.gov/dhs-manuals](http://www.michigan.gov/dhs-manuals).

Under BAM 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 continue through the day of the hearing.

On the day of the hearing the parties agreed to resolve their differences with the solution that DHS will reinstate and process Claimant's MA application. As the parties agree to resolve their differences, it is not necessary for the Administrative Law Judge to issue a decision in this case.

In conclusion, based on the findings of fact, the conclusions of law, and the stipulated agreement of the parties to this case, I determine and conclude that DHS shall reinstate and reprocess Claimant's MA application in accordance with all DHS policies and procedures.

### **DECISION AND ORDER**

The Administrative Law Judge, based on the above findings of fact, the conclusions of law and the stipulated agreement of the parties, states IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that

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DHS shall reinstate and reprocess Claimant's MA application. DHS shall conduct these actions in accordance with DHS policies and procedures.

IT IS SO ORDERED.



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

Date Signed: July 7, 2011

Date Mailed: July 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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