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

#### IN THE MATTER OF:



 Reg. No.:
 201148008

 Issue No.:
 2019, 3000

 Case No.:
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## ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Jan Leventer

## **HEARING DECISION**

This matter is before the undersigned Administ rative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37 following Claim ant's request for a hearing. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on Sept ember 21, 2011. from Detroit, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant inclu ded Claim ant. Participants on behalf of Department of Human Services (Department ) includ ed Specialist.

#### <u>ISSUE</u>

Due to excess income, did the Department properly deny the Claimant's applic ation close Claimant's case income claimant's benefits for:

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Family Independence Program (FIP)?

Food Assistance Program (FAP)?

Medical Assistance (MA)?

Adult Medical Assistance (AMP)?

State Disability Assistance (SDA)?

Child Development and Care (CDC)?

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

The Administrative Law Judge, based on t he competent, material, and substantial evidence on the whole record, finds as material fact:

1. Cla imant applied for benefits for:	received benefits for:
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Family Independence Program (FIP). Food Assistance Program (FAP).

Medical Assistance (MA).

Adult Medical Assistance (AMP).

\_ State Disability Assistance (SDA).

Child Development and Care (CDC).

- 2. On or about August 5, 2011, the Department denied Claimant's application
  Closed Claimant's case reduced Claimant's benefits
  due to excess income.
- On an unknown date, the Department sent
  □ Claimant □ Claimant's Authorized Representative (AR) □ denial. □ closure. □ reduction.
- 4. On August 5, 2011, Claimant or Claimant's AHR filed a hearing request, protesting the

denial of the application.	closure of the case.	$\boxtimes$ reduction of benefits.
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# CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Department policies are contained in the Br idges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM), and the Reference Tables Manual (RFT).

The Adult Medical Program (AMP) is established by 42 USC 1315, and is administered by the Department pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq*.

☐ The Family Independence Program (FIP) was established pursuant to the Personal Responsibility and W ork Opportunity Reconc iliation Act of 1996, Public Law 104-193, 42 USC 601, *et seq*. The Department (formerly k nown as the Family Independence Agency) administers FIP pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq*., and 1999 AC, Rule 400.3101 through Rule 400.3131. FIP replaced the Aid to Dependent Children (ADC) program effective October 1, 1996.

The Food Assistanc e Program (FAP) [for merly known as the Food Stamp (FS) program] is established by the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended, and is implemented by the federal regulations contained in Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). The Department (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers FAP pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq*., and 1999 AC, Rule 400.3001 through Rule 400.3015.

The Medical Ass istance (MA) program is es tablished by the Title XIX of the Soc ial Security Act and is implemented by Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). The Department (formerly known as the F amily Independence Agency) administers the MA program pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and MCL 400.105.

The State Disabilit y Assistance (SDA) progr am, which provides financial ass istance for disabled persons, is establis hed by 2004 PA 344. The Department (formerly known as the F amily Independence Agency) administ ers the SDA program pursuant to M CL 400.10, *et seq.*, and 2000 AACS, Rule 400.3151 through Rule 400.3180.

The Ch	ild Devel	opment and	I Care (CDC	c) program is	establis heo	d by Titles	IVA, IVE
and XX of	the Soc	ial Security	Act, the Ch	ild Care and	d Developm	ent Block	Grant of

1990, and the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. The program is implemented by Title 45 of the Code of Fede ral Regulations, Parts 98 and 99. T he Department provides servic es to adult s and children pursuant to MCL 400.14(1) and 1999 AC, Rule 400.5001 through Rule 400.5015.

Additionally, Claimant testified at the Administrative He aring that he was sat isfied with his FAP benefits and r equested that the Administrative Law Judge dismiss this issue from his case. Upon review and considerat ion of the issues in volved, the undersigned will grant Claimant's request to dismiss the FAP portion of this case.

Next, with regard to Cla imant's MA benefits, Claimant reques ts this tribunal to review the Patient Pay Amount required of him in order to receive medic al insurance coverage in the MA program. At t he Administrative Hearing the Department presented the income and deduction figures used to calc ulate Claimant's MA benefit a mount. It is found and determined that the Department correctly calculated Claimant's gros s income, which does include his child support payments. It is further found that the Department correctly allow ed Claimant the standard deduction of \$20 for unearned income, and the appropriate protected income limit deduction.

Based upon the abov e Find	dings of Fact and	Conclus	ions of Law,	and for the	reasons
stated on the record, the Ad	ministrative La	w Judge	concludes t	hat, due to	excess
income, the Department	🛛 properly	🗌 improp	berly		

☐ denied Claimant's application ☐ reduced Claimant's benefits ☐ closed Claimant's case

for:  $\square$  AMP  $\square$  FIP  $\boxtimes$  FAP  $\boxtimes$  MA  $\square$  SDA  $\square$  CDC.

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and for the reasons stated on the record, finds that the Department  $\Box$  did act properly  $\Box$  did not act properly.

Accordingly, the Department's  $\square$  AMP  $\square$  FIP  $\boxtimes$  FAP  $\boxtimes$  MA  $\square$  SDA  $\square$  CDC decision is  $\boxtimes$  AFFIRMED  $\square$  REVERSED for the reasons stated on the record.

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

Date Signed:September 21, 2011Date Mailed:September 21, 2011

**NOTICE:** Michigan Administrative Hearing S ystem (MAHS) may order a rehearing or reconsideration on either its own motion or at the request of a par ty within 30 days of the mailing date of this Dec ision and Order . MAHS will not or der a rehearing or reconsideration on the Department's mo tion where the final decis ion cannot be implemented within 90 days of the filing of the original request. (60 days for FAP cases)

The Claimant may appeal the Decision and Order to Circuit Court within 30 days of the receipt of the Decision and Order or, if a ti mely request for rehearing was made, within 30 days of the receipt date of the rehearing decision.

Claimant may request a rehearing or reconsideration for the following reasons:

- A rehearing <u>MAY</u> be granted if there is newly discovered evidence that could affect the outcome of the original hearing decision.
- A reconsideration MAY be granted for any of the following reasons:
  - misapplication of manual policy or law in the hearing decision,
  - typographical errors, mathematical error, or other obvious errors in the hearing decision that effect the substantial rights of the claimant:
  - the failure of the ALJ to address other relevant issues in the hearing decision.

Request must be submitted through the local DHS office or directly to MAHS by mail at

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