STATE OF MICHIGAN

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

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg No. 20116590 Issue No. 2000

Case No.

Hearing Date: January 25, 2011

Wayne County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Marlene B. Magyar

HEARING DECISION

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37 upon the claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on January 25, 2011. Claimant's authorized representative personally appeared and testified on his behalf.

ISSUE

Did the department and claimant's authorized representative fully resolve the disputed issue by binding settlement offer and agreement?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- 1. On October 23, 2009, claimant's authorized representative filed an MA/retro-MA application on claimant's behalf.
- 2. When the department denied that application, claimant's authorized representative filed a hearing request dated October 11, 2010.
- Claimant's hearing was held on January 25, 2011.
- At hearing, the department's witness stipulated to the department's failure to process claimant's application in accordance with policy.

- 5. The department's witness offered to settle this dispute on the record by reinstating claimant's October 23, 2009 MA/retro-MA application and processing it through proper channels (i.e., submission to the State Hearing Review Team for review).
- 6. Claimant's authorized representative accepted the department's offer of settlement and acknowledged such processing would fully resolve the negative action taken in this case (MA/retro-MA application denial).

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 Program Administrative Manual (PAM), the Program Eligibility Manual (PEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

The law, MCL 24.278(2); MSA 3.560(178)(2), provides that disposition may be made of a contested case hearing by stipulation or agreed settlement on the record. Both parties agreed to the settlement terms set forth above.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides claimant's authorized representative and the department entered into a valid, binding settlement agreement on the record at hearing.

Accordingly, this case is returned to the local office for implementation of the settlement terms. **SO ORDERED.**

/s/

Marlene B. Magyar Administrative Law Judge for Maura D. Corrigan, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: March 8, 2011

Date Mailed: March 8, 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 receipt 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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