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

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No: <u>2011</u>7221

Issue No: Case No:

Hearing Date March 24, 2011 Kent County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: William A. Sundquist

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 March 24, 2011. The claimant appeared and testified.

ISSUE

Was SDA disability established?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- (1) On October 27, 2010, the claimant applied for SDA and was denied on October 28, 2010 per BEM 261 with hearing request on November 9, 2010.
- (2) On or about October 15, 2010, the claimant was laid off from work.
- (3) In claimant's application on October 27, 2010 for SDA he stated no person in his household has a disability.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The State Disability Assistance (SDA) program which provides financial assistance for disabled persons is established by 2004 PA 344. The Department of Human Services (DHS or department) administers the SDA program pursuant to MCL 400.10, et seq., and MAC R 400.3151-400.3180. Department policies are found in the Program Administrative Manual (PAM), the Program Eligibility Manual (PEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

The facts above are undisputed:

DISABILITY

A person is disabled for SDA purposes if he:

- receives other specified disability-related benefits or services, or
- resides in a qualified Special Living Arrangement facility, or
- is certified as unable to work due to mental or physical disability for at least 90 days from the onset of the disability.
- . is diagnosed as having Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome (AIDS).

If the client's circumstances change so that the basis of his/her disability is no longer valid, determine if he/she meets any of the other disability criteria. Do NOT simply initiate case closure. PEM, Item 261, p. 1.

Claimant admitted in his SDA application that he was not disabled. Therefore, his application was properly denied.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law decides that disability was not established.

Accordingly, SDA denial is UPHELD.

/s/

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

Date Signed: April 5, 2011

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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.

