

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

IN THE MATTER OF:

[REDACTED]

Reg. No.: 2011-24948  
Issue No. 2007  
Case No. [REDACTED]  
Hearing Date:  
April 20, 2011  
Macomb County DHS

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:** Michael J. Bennane

**HEARING DECISION**

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9; MSA 16.409 and MCL 400.37; MSA 16.437 upon the Claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice a telephone hearing was held on April 20, 2011. The Claimant appeared and testified.

**ISSUE**

Did the Department properly deny the claimant's Medical Assistance (MA)?

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

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

1. On [REDACTED], the claimant applied for MA.
2. On [REDACTED], the department sent the claimant a medical checklist with a return date of [REDACTED]. (department exhibit 1).
3. On [REDACTED], the department denied the claimant's MA application.
4. On [REDACTED], the claimant filed a request for a hearing.

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

At the hearing the claimant testified that he “did not recall” receiving the medical checklist sent to him by the department. The address was correct and there is a presumption that it was delivered.

### **Client Cooperation**

The client is responsible for providing evidence needed to prove disability or blindness. However, you must assist the customer when they need your help to obtain it. Such help includes the following:

Scheduling medical exam appointments  
Paying for medical evidence and medical transportation

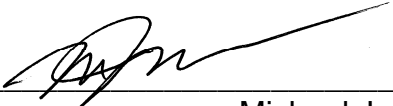
See [BAM 815](#) and [BAM 825](#) for details.

A client who refuses or fails to submit to an exam necessary to determine disability or blindness **cannot** be determined disabled or blind and you should deny the application or close the case. It is not necessary to return the medical evidence to MRT for another decision in this instance. (BEM 260, p. 4).

In the instant case, this ALJ finds that the claimant did not perform the requirements necessary for him to qualify for MA.

### **DECISION AND ORDER**

The Administrative Law Judge, based on the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, AFFIRMS the Department’s actions in the instant case.

  
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Michael J. Bennane  
Administrative Law Judge  
For Maura Corrigan, Director  
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: June 3, 2011

Date Mailed: June 3, 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 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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