

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

IN THE MATTER OF:

[REDACTED]

Reg. No.: 2011-25587  
Issue No.: 2011  
Case No.: [REDACTED]  
Hearing Date:  
April 28, 2011  
Oakland 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 16409 and MCL 40037; MSA 16.437 upon the Claimants request for a hearing. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on April 28, 2011. The claimant was represented by her Authorized Representative (AR), [REDACTED].

**ISSUE**

Did the department properly process 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 with retroactive MA.
2. The department processed the claimant's MA with retroactivity back to [REDACTED].
3. On [REDACTED], the claimant filed a timely request for 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).

### **Retroactive Benefits**


Authorize retroactive benefits if the group is eligible for a period that is:

Prior to the month you determined eligibility, **and**  
**Within 60 days of the application date. (BAM 400, p.5).**

In the instant case the claimant wishes to return to [REDACTED] with retroactive MA coverage. As stated above, retroactivity only goes back to the first day of the third calendar month before application. This ALJ finds that the department was correct in its processing the claimant's MA and retroactive 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 2, 2011

Date Mailed: June 2, 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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