

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

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

[REDACTED]

Reg. No.: 201149980  
Issue No.: 2001  
Case No.: [REDACTED]  
Hearing Date: October 20, 2011  
County: Wayne County DHS (17)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:** Lynn M. Ferris

**HEARING DECISION**

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37 following Claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on October 20, 2011, from Detroit, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included the Claimant. Participants on behalf of Department of Human Services (Department) included [REDACTED], Assistance Payments Supervisor.

**ISSUE**

With respect to the Adult Medical Assistance (AMP) Program, did the Department properly  deny Claimant's application?  close Claimant's case?

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

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

1. Claimant  applied for  was a recipient of AMP benefits.
2. Claimant  was  was not living with a spouse during the time period in question.
3. The total countable income of Claimant's household was \$350 at all times relevant to this matter.
4. The Department  denied Claimant's application  closed Claimant's case due to excess income.

5. On June 1, 2011, the Department sent notice of the  denial  closure to Claimant.
6. On 7/6/11, Claimant filed a hearing request, protesting the  denial of the application.  closure of the case.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

The Adult Medical Program (AMP) is established by 42 USC 1315, and is administered by the Department pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.* Department policies are contained in the Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Reference Tables Manual (RFT).

Additionally, pursuant to a redetermination in May 2011, the Claimant provided verification of income she receives from relatives who help support her. As her verification of the income she receives from her family, the Claimant submitted a form used to qualify her for [REDACTED] which indicated that her monthly income was \$350. The document indicates that it was certified on 5/1/11. Exhibit 1. The Claimant has no earned income.

The Department, based on the information provided by the Claimant with her redetermination form, found that the Claimant's monthly income exceeded the Protected Income Level of \$316. RFT 236 and BEM 640. Exhibit 2.

The Claimant did not provide substantiation of her claim that the \$350 was not the correct amount of her monthly income. The Claimant did not present other evidence of income she received through testimony by the individuals providing the income to her, or written documentation from the individuals providing the income indicating the amount they paid to her monthly. The Claimant's testimony did not overcome the document she provided to the Department to verify her income. The Department was entitled to rely on the information that it had to close the Claimant's AMP case. BAM 130.

Based on the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and for reasons stated on the record, the Administrative Law Judge concludes that the Department


- properly denied Claimant's application.  improperly denied Claimant's application.  
 properly closed Claimant's case.  improperly closed Claimant's case.

### **DECISION AND ORDER**

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

Accordingly, the Department's AMP decision is  AFFIRMED  REVERSED for the reasons stated on the record.

THE DEPARTMENT IS ORDERED TO DO THE FOLLOWING WITHIN 10 DAYS OF THE DATE OF MAILING OF THIS DECISION AND ORDER:

  
Lynn M. Ferris  
Administrative Law Judge  
for Maura Corrigan, Director  
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: October 25, 2011

Date Mailed: October 25, 2011

**NOTICE:** Michigan Administrative Hearing System (MAHS) 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. MAHS 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 mailing 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.

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

- A rehearing **MAY** 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  
Michigan Administrative Hearings  
Reconsideration/Rehearing Request  
P. O. Box 30639  
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