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

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No. 2012-14729

Issue No. 2026

Case No. Hearing Date: February 2, 2012

Gogebic County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Vicki L. Armstrong

HEARING DECISION

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37 upon Claimant's authorized representative's request for a hearing. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on February 2, 2012. Claimant's authorized representative, appeared on behalf of the Claimant, and the department was represented by

<u>ISSUE</u>

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. Based on the Medicaid application of 9/29/10, Claimant was mailed a Notice of Case Action on February 7, 2011, informing him that MA was denied for failure to provide proof of assets and investments. (Department Exhibit 38).
- 2. On March 22, 2011, Claimant's representative filed a Request for a Hearing contesting the denial.
- 3. Claimant's hearing was held on February 2, 2012.
- During the hearing, the department's witness offered to settle this dispute on the record by reprocessing Claimant's 9/29/10 application to determine Claimant's MA eligibility beginning September 2010.

5. 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 (denial of MA benefits).

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Medical Assistance ("MA") program is established by Subchapter XIX of Chapter 7 of The Public Health & Welfare Act, 42 USC 1397, and is administered by the Department, formerly known as the Family Independence Agency, pursuant to MCL 400.10 *et seq.* and MCL 400.105. Department policies are found in the Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM), and the Reference Tables Manual (RFT).

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.

It is SO ORDERED.

Date Mailed: _ 2/3/12

	/s/
	Vicki L. Armstrong
	Administrative Law Judge
	for Maura D. Corrigan, Director
	Department of Human Services
Date Signed:2/3/12	

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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.

VLA/ds

