

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

**IN THE MATTER OF:**



Reg. No: 201219181  
Issue No: 2001  
Case No:   
Hearing Date: April 10, 2012  
Wayne County DHS

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:** Corey A. Arendt

**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 Tuesday, April 10, 2012, from Lansing, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included . Participants on behalf of Department of Human Services (Department) included .

**ISSUE**

Due to a failure to comply with the verification requirements, did the Department properly  deny Claimant's application  close Claimant's case  reduce Claimant's benefits for:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Family Independence Program (FIP)? | <input type="checkbox"/> State Disability Assistance (SDA)?      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Food Assistance Program (FAP)?     | <input type="checkbox"/> Child Development and Care (CDC)?       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Assistance (MA)?           | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adult Medical Program (AMP)? |

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the competent, material, and substantial evidence on the whole record, including testimony of witnesses, finds as material fact:

1. Claimant  applied for  was receiving: FIP FAP MA SDA CDC  AMP.
2. On September 14, 2011, the Claimant  was  was not provided with a redetermination form (DHS-574).
3. Claimant was required to submit requested verification by October 3, 2011.

4. On November 1, 2011, the Department  denied Claimant's application  closed Claimant's case  reduced Claimant's benefits for failure to submit redetermination in a timely manner.
5. On October 31, 2011, the Department sent notice of the  denial of Claimant's application.  closure of Claimant's case.  reduction of Claimant's benefits.
6. On October 31, 2011, Claimant filed a hearing request, protesting the  denial.  closure.  reduction.

### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

Department policies are found in the Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Reference Tables Manual (RFT).

The MA program is established by the Title XIX of the Social Security Act and is implemented by Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). The Department (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers the MA program pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and MCL 400.105.

The 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).

In this case, the Department did not present any testimony regarding the closure of the Claimant's AMP case. The Department sent the wrong witness with the wrong file to the hearing. The Claimant provided unrebutted testimony indicating he did not receive a redetermination form as alleged by the Department (hearing summary).

Based upon the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and for the reasons stated on the record, I conclude the Department improperly closed Claimant's case.

### **DECISION AND ORDER**

I find, based upon the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and for the reasons stated on the record, the Department did not act properly.

Accordingly, the Department's decision is **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:

1. Initiate a redetermination as to the Claimant's eligibility for AMP benefits beginning November 1, 2011 and issue retroactive benefits if otherwise eligible and qualified.

/s/

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Corey A. Arendt  
Administrative Law Judge  
For Maura Corrigan, Director  
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: April 11, 2012

Date Mailed: April 12, 2012

**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 receipt 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. (60 days for FAP cases)

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.

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  
Lansing, Michigan 48909-07322

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