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

IN THE MATTER OF: Reg. No: 201252606

Issue No: 2000

Case No:

Hearing Date: August 22, 2012

Midland County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Gary F. Heisler

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 hearing was held on August 22, 2012. Claimant and his father appeared and testified.

<u>ISSUE</u>

Did the Department properly close Claimant's Medical Assistance (MA) case on June 1, 2012?

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 was an ongoing recipient of group two under 21 Medical Assistance (MA) benefits.
- 2. On April 26, 2012, Claimant turned 21.
- 3. On April 20, 2012, Claimant was sent a Notice of Case Action (DHS-1605) which stated his Medical Assistance (MA) would end on June 1, 2012.
- 4. On May 11, 2012, Claimant filed a hearing request.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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

The Medical Assistance (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 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.

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In this case Claimant asserts a disability but the evidence shows that the inability to work was not reported to or represented to the Department. Under those circumstances the Department is NOT required to do an Ex Parte review of Claimant's MA eligibility with a continuation of MA coverage pending a disability determination. A detailed analysis of the evidence presented, applicable Department policies, and reasoning for the decision are contained in the recorded record. During the hearing Claimant was informed of the decision and the reasoning behind the decision.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and for the reasons stated on the record, finds that the Department properly closed Claimant's Medical Assistance (MA) case on June 1, 2012.

It is ORDERED that the actions of the Department of Human Services, in this matter, are UPHELD.

Gary F. Heisler
Administrative Law Judge
For Maura Corrigan, Director
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: August 29, 2012

Date Mailed: August 29, 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 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.

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