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IN THE MATTER OF:



 Reg. No.:
 2012 71528

 Issue No.:
 4060

 Case No.:
 Hearing Date:

 Hearing Date:
 April 24, 2013

 County:
 Wayne (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; MCL 400.43 (a); Mich Ad min Code, R 400.941 and MCL 24.201, et seq., upon a hearing request by the Department of Human Services (Department) to establish an over issuance (OI) of benefits to Respondent. After due notice, a hearing was held on April 23, 2013.

Respondent did not appear. This matter having been initiated by the Department and due notice hav ing been provided to Respondent, the hearing was held in Respondent's absence in accord ance with Bridges Administra tive Manual (BAM), Item 725. Other participants included Regulation Agent, Office of Inspector General.

ISSUE

Did Respondent receive an OI of \square FIP \square FAP \square SDA \boxtimes CDC benefits?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- 1. Respondent was a recipient of FIP FAP SDA CDC during the period December 28, 2003 through May 27, 2006.
- Respondent received a ☐ FIP ☐ FAP ☐ SDA ☐ CDC OI during the period December 28, 2003 through May 27, 2006, due to ☐ Department's ☐ Respondent's error.

- 3. Respondent did receive a ☐ FIP ☐ FAP ☐ SDA ☑ CDC OI during the period December 28, 2003 through May 27, 2006, due to ☐ Department's ☑ Respondent's error in falsely reporting em ployment to justify CDC need eligibility requirements.
- 4. The Claim ant represented to the Department through veri fications of employment that the Claimant wor ked for Taxes R Us during the period wh en she w as not so employed
- 5. \$34,770 of the OI is still due and owing to the Department.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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

The Child Development and Care (CDC) program is establis hed by Titles IVA, IVE and XX of the Soc ial Security Act, the Ch ild Care and Developm ent Block Grant of 1990, and the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996. The program is implemented by Title 45 of the Code of Fede ral Regulations, Parts 98 and 99. The Depart ment provides servic es to adults and children pursuant to MCL 400.14(1) and 1999 AC, Rule 400.5001 through Rule 400.5015.

Additionally, the Department established through the evi dence it presented that during the period December 28, 2003 through May 27, 2006 the Claim ant was not employed . The OIG agent testified credibly that he sp oke to the owner of t he by business personally in Apr il 2012. The owner review ed the signatures on the verifications contained in t he Department's file and and indic ated that the signatures were not his signature. The owner of the business also advised the OIG agent that the Respondent. never work ed for his company. The owner of the signed a letter dated August 31, 2008 that the Claimant was not business. working and thus was not ent itled to CDC benefits. The Depar tment established that the Claimant was not working and further established by its evidence that the Claimant therefore had no nee d basis for CDC. Du ring the period December 28, 2003 throug h May 27, 2006 the Departm ent established that the Claimant received an overissuanc e of CDC benefits in t he amount of \$34,770. Therefore, the Department did e stablish an overissuance and is entitled to a recoupment of CDC benefits.

Based upon the abov e Findings of Fact and Conclus ions of Law, and for the reasons stated on the record, the Administrative Law Judge concludes that the Department ⊠ properly determined that the Respondent received a \$34,770 OI of CDC benefits.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, finds that the Department \square did make a correct determination to establish a debt for the period December 28, 2003 through May 27, 2006 in the amount of \$34,770.

Accordingly, the Department is AFFIRMED with respect to the overissuance of \$34,770 for the period December 28, 2003 through May 27, 2006 and

The Department is ORDERED to initiate collection procedures in accordance with Department policy for recoupment of CDC benefits in the amount of \$34,770.

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

Date Signed: May 9, 2013

Date Mailed: May 9, 2013

NOTICE: The law provides that within 60 days from the mailing date of the above hearing Decision the Re spondent may appeal it to the circuit court for the county in which he/she resides or has his or her principal place of business in this state, or in the circuit court for Ingham County. Administ rative Hearings, on it s own motion, or on request of a party within 60 days of the mailing date of this Hearing Decision, may order a rehearing.

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

- A rehearing <u>MAY</u> 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.

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