

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

**IN THE MATTER OF:**



Reg. No.: 201269041  
Issue No.: 1038  
Case No.: [REDACTED]  
Hearing Date: October 10, 2012  
County: Kalamazoo

**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 October 10, 2012. Claimant appeared and testified.

**ISSUE**

Did the Department properly deny Claimant's June 16, 2012 Family Independence Program (FIP) application?

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

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

1. On February 1, 2012, Claimant began a one year disqualification from Family Independence Program (FIP) benefits due to an Intentional Program Violation (IPV).
2. On June 16, 2012, Claimant applied for Family Independence Program (FIP) benefits.
3. On July 27, 2012, the Department denied Claimant's Family Independence Program (FIP) application and sent her a Notice of Case Action (DHS-1605).
4. On July 26, 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 Family Independence Program (FIP) was established pursuant to the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, Public Law 104-193, 42 USC 601, *et seq.* The Department (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers FIP pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and 1997 AACRS R 400.3101-3131. FIP replaced the Aid to Dependent Children (ADC) program effective October 1, 1996.

In this case the July 27, 2012 Notice of Case Action (DHS-1605) gave two reasons for the application denial. Claimant's Intentional Program Violation (IPV) disqualification was one of the reasons given on the notice. Once it was determined that the Intentional Program Violation (IPV) disqualification was a correct and valid reason for denying the application, no further analysis was required to decide this case. 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 denied Claimant's June 16, 2012 Family Independence Program (FIP) application.

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

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

Date Signed: October 15, 2012

Date Mailed: October 15, 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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