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

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No: 201278237 Issue No: 2009

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Aaron McClintic

DECISION AND ORDER

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37 upon the Claimant 's request for a hearing. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on the second second

ISSUE

Did the Department properly deny Claimant's Medical Assistance application?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- 1. Claimant applied for MA-P on
- 2. The Medical Review Team denied the application on
- 3. Claimant filed a request for hearing on regarding the MA denial.
- 4. A telephone hearing was held on
- 5. On application because the medic all evidence of recored indicates that the claimant retains the capacity to perform light work.
- 6. Claimant is 5' 3" tall and weighs 315 pounds having gained 73 p ounds in the last year.

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- 7. Claimant is 47 years of age.
- 8. Claimant's impairments have been medically diagnosed as back pain, obesity, Cushing's disease and fibromyalgia.
- 9. Claimant has the following symptoms: pain, fatigue, joint swelling, crying spells, and memory and concentration problems.
- 10. Claimant completed high school.
- 11. Claimant is able to read, write, and perform basic math skills.
- 12. Claimant is not working. Claim ant last worked in waitress.
- 13. Claimant lives alone.
- 14. Claimant testified that she cannot perform some household chores.
- 15. Claimant takes the following prescribed medications:



- 16. At hearing the record was ex tended to gather updated medical information. Claimant agreed to this and waived timeliness standards.
- 17. After updated records were forwarded to the State Hearing Review Team approved benefits on because the Claimant was approved for social security disability benefits on date of the state Hearing Review Team with an onset date of the state Hearing Review Team.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The regulations governing the hearing and a ppeal process for applicants and recipients of public assistance in Michigan are found in the Michigan Administrative Code, MAC R 400.901-400.951. An oppor tunity for a hearing shall be granted to an ap plicant who requests a hearing because his or her clai m for assistance has been den ied. MAC R 400.903(1). Clients h ave the right to contes t a department decision affecting elig ibility or benefit levels whenev er it is believed that the decis ion is incorrect. The department will provide an adm inistrative hearing to review the dec ision and determine the appropriateness of that decision. BAM 600.

The Medic al Assistance (MA-P) program is established by Title XIX of the Social Security Act and is implemented by Title 42 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). The Department administers the MA-P program 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 Program Reference Manual (PRM).

Department policy at BEM 260 s tates that if a claimant has been found eligible by the State Hearing Review Team, the person meets the Department's MA disability criteria. No other evidence is required to establish disability. In the present case, the claimant t was found by the State Hearing Review Team and has presented prima facie evidence of the same. This disability was found by the St ate Hearing Review Team to be disabled as of **Mathematical State**. Therefore, the Administrati ve Law Judge finds that the Claimant met the Department's definition of disabled for the purposes of MA-P and retroactive MA.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon t he above findings of fact and conclusion s of law, decides that the Cla imant is medically disabled for the purposes of the MA and retroactive MA program, pending a review of all non-medical eligibility factors.

Accordingly, the Department's decis ion in the a bove stated matter is, hereby, **REVERSED**.

The Department is **ORDERED** to process Claimant's Medicaid and Retroactiv e Medicaid applications of **ORDERED** and initiate a review of all non-medical eligibility factors, if it has not already done so.

The Department is further **ORDERED** to initiate a full re view of this case in

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McClintic Law Judge Maura Corrigan, Director of Human Services

Date Signed: 03/21/2013

Date Mailed: 03/21/2013

NOTICE: Michigan Administrative Hearing Syst em (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 Dec ision and Order. MAHS will not or der a rehearing or reconsideration on the Department's mo tion where the final decis ion 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 ti mely 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 <u>MAY</u> be granted if there is newly discovered evidence that could affect the outcome of the original hearing decision.
- A reconsideration <u>MAY</u> be granted for any of the following reasons:
 - misapplication of manual policy or law in the hearing decision,
 - typographical errors, mathematical e rror, 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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