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

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No.: 2013-12463

Issue No.: 2009

Case No.:

Hearing Date: February 11, 2013
County: Oakland (63-02)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Jonathan W. Owens

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, an inperson hearing was held on February 11, 2013, from Madison Heights, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included Claimant,

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The record was extended to allow additional relevant medical evidence to be submitted. Claimant waived timeliness. The additional medical evidence was received and submitted to the State Hearing Review Team (SHRT) for review prior to this decision being issued.

ISSUE

Whether the Department properly determined that Claimant is not "disabled" for purposes of the Medical Assistance (MA-P) program?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- 1. On August 9, 2012, Claimant applied for MA-P and retro MA-P to May 2012.
- 2. On October 18, 2012, the Medical Review Team denied Claimant's request.
- 3. On November 15, 2012, Claimant submitted to the Department a request for hearing.

- 4. The State Hearing Review Team (SHRT) denied Claimant's request.
- 5. Claimant is 28 years old.
- 6. Claimant completed education through a GED.
- 7. Claimant has employment experience (last worked June 2012) in a deli store and as a secretary.
- 8. Claimant's limitations have lasted for 12 months or more.
- 9. Claimant suffers from colitis, C diff, depressive disorder and attention deficit hyperactive disorder.
- 10. Claimant has significant limitations on physical activities involving sitting, standing, walking, bending, lifting, and stooping.
- 11. On April 26, 2013, SHRT found Claimant disabled based upon listing 5.06B effective May 2012.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

MA-P 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 MA-P 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 Bridges Reference Manual (RFT).

Additional medical records were received and submitted to SHRT for review. On April 26, 2013, SHRT found Claimant was disabled. Claimant was found disabled by SHRT based upon Claimant's application dated August 9, 201,2 for MA including requested retro months effective May 2012.

The Department has reversed the previous decision issued on October 18, 2012, and will process the above application based upon the SHRT approval. The Department is required to initiate a determination of Claimant's financial eligibility for the requested benefits, if not previously done, beginning May 2012.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that Claimant is medically disabled under the MA program as of May 2012.

Accordingly, the Department is hereby ORDERED to open an ongoing MA case for Claimant effective May 2012. A review shall be set for July 2014.

Jonathan W. Owens
Administrative Law Judge
for Maura Corrigan, Director
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: May 7, 2013

Date Mailed: May 7, 2013

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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 <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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Reconsideration/Rehearing Request
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