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

### IN THE MATTER OF:



 Reg. No.:
 2013-14436

 Issue No.:
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## ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Susan C. Burke

## SETTLEMENT ORDER

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 telephone hearing was held on April 25, 2013, from Detroit, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included Claimant and Claimant's Authorized Hearing Representative, Participants on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) included

## ISSUE

Whether the Department properly:

☐ denied Claimant's application for benefits
☑ closed Claimant's case for benefits
☑ reduced Claimant's benefits

for:

Family Independence Program (FIP)?

Food Assistance Program (FAP)?

Medical Assistance (MA)?

Adult Medical Assistance (AMP)?

State Disability Assistance (SDA)?
Child Development and Care (CDC)?
State Emergency Services (SER)?

# 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 October 31, 2012, the Department:

denied Claimant's application for benefits
closed Claimant's case for benefits
reduced Claimant's benefits

under the following program(s):

🗌 FIP	🗌 FAP	🖂 MA	AMP	🗌 SDA		SER
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2. On November 8, 2012, the Department sent notice to Claimant (or Claimant's Authorized Hearing Representative) of the:

	denial
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	reduction.

- 3. On November 15, 2012, Claimant filed a request for hearing concerning the Department's action.
- 4. At the hearing, the parties came to an agreement wherein the Department agreed to reinstate Claimant's MA case, effective October 31, 2012, if Claimant was eligible as of that date for MA, including MA based on disability.

### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Department policies are found in the Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM), the Reference Tables Manual (RFT), and the State Emergency Relief Manual (ERM).

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.

The law provides that disposition may be made of a contested case by stipulation or agreed settlement. MCL 24.278(2).

In the present case, Claimant requested a hearing to dispute the Department's action. Soon after commencement of the hearing, the parties testified that they had reached a settlement concerning the disputed action. Consequently, the Department agreed to do the following: reinstate Claimant's MA case, effective October 31, 2012, if Claimant was eligible as of that date for MA, including MA based on disability. As a result of this settlement, Claimant no longer wishes to proceed with the hearing. As such, it is unnecessary for this Administrative Law Judge to render a decision regarding the facts and issues in this case.

### **DECISION AND ORDER**

The Administrative Law Judge concludes that the Department and Claimant have come to a settlement regarding Claimant's request for a hearing.

THE DEPARTMENT IS ORDERED TO DO THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. Initiate reinstatement of Claimant's MA case, effective October 31, 2012, if Claimant was eligible on that date for MA, including MA based on disability.
- 2. Notify Claimant's Authorized Hearing Representative in writing of its determination of MA eligibility.

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Administrative Law Judge for Maura Corrigan, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: April 30, 2013

Date Mailed: May 1, 2013

**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. (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 timely request for rehearing was made, within 30 days of the mailing date of the rehearing decision.

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