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

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No.:
2013-18852

Issue No.:
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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Jan Leventer

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 May 8, 2013, from Detroit, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included Claimant's Authorized Representative,

The Claimant did not appear. Participants on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) included **Example 1**, Eligibility Specialist, and **Example 1**, Family Independence Manager.

On May 21, 2013, the case was reassigned to Administrative Law Judge Jan Leventer for preparation of a decision and order.

<u>ISSUE</u>

Whether the Department properly:

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] 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)? |
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| 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. The Department failed to act on Claimant's December 8, 2011 application for Medicaid and Medicaid retroactive benefits.
- 2. The Department sent no notice to Claimant or Claimant's Authorized Hearing Representative of a Department action.
- 3. On December 13, 2012, Claimant filed a request for hearing concerning the Department's action.

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: reconstruct Claimant's December 8, 2011 MA and MA-retro application with the assistance of reregister and process the application, and provide appropriate benefits.

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 INITIATE THE FOLLOWING ACTION WITHIN TEN DAYS OF THE MAILING DATE OF THIS ORDER:

- 1. Reconstruct Claimant's December 8, 2011, MA and MA-retro application with the assistance of **Exercise**.
- 2. Reregister and process Claimant's December 8, 2011 application.
- 3. Provide retroactive and ongoing benefits to Claimant at the benefit level to which he is entitled.
- 4. All steps shall be taken in accordance with Department policy and procedure.

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

Date Signed: June 12, 2013

Date Mailed: June 12, 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 receipt date of the rehearing decision.

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