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

#### IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No.: 2013-25743

Issue No.: 2013

Case No.:

Hearing Date: May 20, 2013 County: Oakland 03

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Susan C. Burke

## **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 telephone hearing was held on May 20, 2013, from Detroit, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included Claimant. Participants on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) included APW.

## <u>ISSUE</u>

Did the Department properly close Claimant's Medical Assistance (MA) program due to excess income?

## FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- Claimant received benefits for MA.
- 2. On February 1, 2013, the Department closed Claimant's MA case due to excess income.
  - 3. On January 14, 2013, the Department sent Claimant notice of the closure.
  - 4. Claimant received gross income in the amount of \$3,389.00.
- 5. On January 19, 2013, Claimant filed a hearing request, protesting the closure of the case.

# **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 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.

In the present case, Claimant did not deny that she earned \$3,389.00 per month. After careful review of the budget presented by the Department (Exhibit 1, p.3,) it is concluded that the Department was correct in closing Claimant's MA case due to excess income. See BEM 536.

Based upon the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and for the reasons stated on the record, the Administrative Law Judge concludes that the Department properly closed Claimant's MA case.

# **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 did act properly.

Accordingly, the Department's MA decision is AFFIRMED for the reasons stated on the record.

Susan C. Burke

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

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Date Signed: June 5, 2013

Date Mailed: June 6, 2013

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Claimant may request a rehearing or reconsideration for the following reasons:

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  - 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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