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

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No.: 201335052

Issue No.: 2012

Case No.:

Hearing Date: June 6, 2013

County: Oakland County (#03)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: MICHELLE HOWIE

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 conducted on Thursday June 6, 2013 from Detroit, Michigan on behalf of Claimant was

. Participant on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) was (Eligibility Specialist).

ISSUE

Whether the Department properly processed the Claimant's Medical Assistance (MA) 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. The Claimant was an ongoing recipient of MA benefits with a deductible.
- 2. The Department did not process the Claimant's medical expenses to meet the deductible for MA coverage for the months of April 2011 and August 2012.
- 3. On February 19, 2013, the Department received a written hearing request from Associates as authorized hearing representative for Claimant, concerning the processing of the MA coverage for the months in question.

4. At hearing the parties reached a settlement agreement.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Department of Human Services (DHS) 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, requested a hearing to dispute the Department's action. Soon after commencement of the hearing, the parties reached a settlement concerning the disputed action. Consequently, the Department agreed to do the following: to re-evaluate the Claimant's medical expenses and process MA coverage for the periods in question.

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. The Department shall re-evaluate the medical expenses and process MA coverage for August 2012 and April 2011 if Claimant is otherwise eligible and qualified in accordance with department policy.
- 2. The Department shall provide in writing (AHR) notice of case action regarding the MA coverage for the period in question.

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

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Date Signed: <u>6/18/2013</u>

Date Mailed: 6/18/2013

NOTICE: 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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