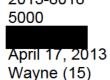
#### STATE OF MICHIGAN MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING SYSTEM ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

#### IN THE MATTER OF:



2013-8018 Reg. No.: Issue No.: Case No.: Hearing Date: County:



## 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 April 17, 2013, from Detroit, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included the Claimant's Authorized Representative, her son Samuel Omabele. The Claimant did not appear. Participants on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) included , Assistance Payments Supervisor Eligibility Specialist. and

#### ISSUE

Whether the Department properly:

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

reduced Claimant's benefits

for:

| Family | Independe | ence Prog | gram | (FIP)? |
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Food Assistance Program (FAP)?

Medical Assistance (MA)?

Adult Medical Assistance (AMP)?

|          | State Disability Assistance (SDA)? |
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|          | Child Development and Care (CDC)?  |
| $\left<$ | 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 19, 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 □ CDC 🛛 | ee SER |
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2. On October 19, 2012, the Department sent notice to Claimant (or Claimant's Authorized Hearing Representative) of the:

| $\boxtimes$ | denial     |
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|             | closure    |
|             | reduction. |

3. On October 24, 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 State Emergency Relief (SER) program is established by 2004 PA 344. The SER program is administered pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and by 1999 AC, Rule 400.7001 through Rule 400.7049. Department policies are found in the State Emergency Relief Manual (ERM).

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 application and redetermine her eligibility for SER 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 SHALL INITIATE WITHIN 10 DAYS OF THE DATE OF MAILING OF THIS DECISION AND ORDER, THE FOLLOWING:

- 1. Reinstate Claimant's SER application.
- 2. Redetermine Claimant's eligibility for SER benefits
- 3. Provide Claimant with SER benefits at the benefit level to which she is entitled.
- 4. All steps shall be taken in accordance with Department policy and procedure.

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

Date Signed: <u>April 17, 2013</u> Date Mailed: <u>April 17, 2013</u>

**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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