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

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No.: Issue No.: Case No.: Hearing Date: County: 201314309 1033, 3025

Hearing Date: January 9, 2013 County: Ingham County DHS

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Gary F. Heisler

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 hearing was held on January 9, 2013. Claimant and her authorized hearing representative appeared and testified.

ISSUE

Did the Department properly deny Claimant's Family Independence Program (FIP) and Food Assistance Program (FAP) application?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- 1. Claimant applied for Family Independence Program (FIP) and Food Assistance Program (FAP) benefits.
- 2. On September 24, 2012, the Department denied Claimant's application for Family Independence Program (FIP) and Food Assistance Program (FAP) benefits. Claimant was sent a Notice of Case Action (DHS-1605).
- 3. On November 27, 2012, Claimant filed a hearing request.

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 Family Independence Program (FIP) was established pursuant to the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, Public Law 104-193, 42 USC 601, *et seq.* The Department (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers FIP pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and 1997 AACS R 400.3101-3131. FIP replaced the Aid to Dependent Children (ADC) program effective October 1, 1996.

The Food Assistance Program (FAP) [formerly known as the Food Stamp (FS) program] is established by the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended, and is implemented by the federal regulations contained in Title 7 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR). The Department (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers FAP pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and 1997 AACS R 400.3001-3015.

In this case Claimant is not eligible for Family Independence Program (FIP) or Food Assistance Program (FAP) benefits due to her resident alien status and the date she entered the US. A detailed analysis of the evidence presented, applicable Department policies, and reasoning for the decision are contained in the recorded record. During the hearing Claimant was informed of the decision and the reasoning behind the decision.

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 properly denied Claimant's Family Independence Program (FIP) and Food Assistance Program (FAP) application.

It is ORDERED that the actions of the Department of Human Services, in this matter, are **UPHELD**.

/s/___

Gary F. Heisler Administrative Law Judge For Maura Corrigan, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: January 14, 2013

Date Mailed: January 14, 2013

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The Claimant may appeal the Decision and Order to Circuit Court within 30 days of the mailing 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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