STATE OF MICHIGAN STATE OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No.: 201323130 Issue No.: 2006, 4003 Case No.: Hearing Date: June 5, 2013 County: Genesee 02

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 upon claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice, a hearing was held on June 5, 2013. Claimant appeared and testified.

ISSUE

Did the Department of Human Services properly deny Claimant's November 12, 2012 application for Medical Assistance (MA) and State Disability Assistance (SDA) for failure to provide required information?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- On November 12, 2012, Claimant submitted an application for Medical (1) Assistance (MA) and State Disability Assistance (SDA). Claimant was sent a Medical Determination Verification Checklist (DHS-3503-MRT) and all required forms. The medical documents were due back on December 7, 2012.
- On December 18, 2012, the Department had not received all the required (2) medical documents. Claimant was sent a Notice of Case Action (DHS-1605) which stated his application was denied.
- (3) On January 4, 2013, Claimant submitted a request for hearing.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Medical Assistance (MA) program is established by 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 (DHS or department) administers the MA program pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and MCL 400.105. Department policies are found in the Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

The State Disability Assistance (SDA) program which provides financial assistance for disabled persons is established by 2004 PA 344. The Department of Human Services (DHS or department) administers the SDA program pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and MAC R 400.3151-400.3180. Department policies are found in the Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Program Reference Manual (PRM).

At the hearing Claimant testified that he filled out some of the forms and sent them in but thought the hospital was sending in all the medical records. The Department representative had access to Department records and stated there had been two applications previous to this one. While it is obvious that Claimant thought all the required medical documents would be submitted, he has no personal knowledge about whether the medical records were submitted within the required period for this November 12, 2012 application. The Department's evidence on the issue is unrefuted.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides the Department of Human Services properly denied Claimant's November 12, 2012 application for Medical Assistance (MA) and State Disability Assistance (SDA) for failure to provide required information.

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

<u>/s/</u>

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

Date Signed: 6/24/13

Date Mailed: 6/25/13

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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.

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

- A rehearing <u>MAY</u> be granted if there is newly discovered evidence that could affect the outcome of the original hearing decision.
- A reconsideration <u>MAY</u> be granted for any of the following reasons:
- 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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