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

#### IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No.: 2013-40845

Issue No.: 3008

Case No.:

Hearing Date: May 14, 2013

County: Oakland County DHS # 2

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Carmen G. Fahie

## **HEARING DECISION**

This matter is before the undersigned Admi nistrative Law J udge by authority of MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37; upon claimant's request for a hearing filed o n April 9, 2013. After due notic e, a hearing was held Tuesday, May 14, 2013. The law, MCL 24.278(2) provides that a disposition may be made of a contested case hearing by stipulation or agreed settlement. In this case, the department has agreed to settle since the claimant FAP cas e was closed on April 30, 2013 when the department caseworker received the required verification on April 9, 2013, but did not process. BAM 130 and 807.

Under Bridges Administrative Manual Item 600, clients have the right to contest any agency decision affecting eligibility or benefit levels whenever they believe the decision is incorrect. The department provides an Administrative Hearing to review the decision and determine if it is appropriate. Agency policy includes procedures to meet the minimal requirements for a fair hearing. Enforts to clarify and resolve the client's concerns must start when the hearing request is received and continue through the day of the hearing.

Prior to the closure of the hearing reco rd, the department agreed to redetermine the claimant's eligibility for F AP benefits since the claimant's verifications were received before the case clos ed. As a r esult of this agreement, claimant indicated she/he no longer wished to proceed with the hearing. Since the claimant and the department have come to an agreement it is unnecessary for this Administrative Law Judge to make a decision regarding the facts and issues in this case.

Claimant retains a right to request a hearing on the above determination within 90 days from the date of the department's written notice, pursuant to BAM Item 600.

Therefore, it is not necessary for the Administrative Law Judge to decide the matter that was in dispute. Pursuant to MAC R 400.906 and 400.903, claimant's hearing request is

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HEREBY DISMISSED, because claimant is no longer aggrie ved by a department action.

# **DECISION AND ORDER**

The Administrative Law Judge based on the agreed upon settlement ORDERS that Claimant's hearing request is **DISMISSED**; and the department shall:

- 1. Initiate a redetermination of the Claimant's eligibility for FAP benefits retroactive to May 1, 2013.
- 2. Provide the Claimant with written notification of the Department's revised eligibility determination.
- 3. Issue the Claimant any retroactive benefits she/he may be eligible to receive, if any.

/s/

Carmen G. Fahie Administrative Law Judge for Maura D. Corrigan, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: May 21, 2013

Date Mailed: May 21, 2013

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NOTICE: A dministrative Hearings 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. Administrative Hearings 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.

The Claimant may appeal the Decision and Order to Circuit Court within 30 days of the mailing of the Decision and Order or, i fa timely request for re hearing was made, within 30 days of the receipt date of the rehearing decision.

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