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: Februa

County DHS:

February 21, 2013 Montcalm

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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 February 21, 2013. Claimant appeared and testified.

<u>ISSUE</u>

Did the Department properly close Claimant's SSI and Terminated SSI Medical Assistance (MA)?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- Claimant was an ongoing recipient of Medical Assistance (MA).
- 2. On June 1, 2012, the Social Security Administration put Claimant's Supplemental Security Income (SSI) in non payment status.
- On August 27, 2012, the Department sent Claimant a Notice of Case Action (DHS-1605) which stated her Terminated SS Medicaid would end on October 1, 2012. Claimant was also sent an Assistance Application (DHS-1171) for her to fill out and submit for evaluation of eligibility under another Medicaid category.
- 4. On October 3, 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 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.

During this hearing, Department of Human Services Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) 150 (2011) was reviewed. Based on the Social Security Administration's action, the Department's actions were correct. It was also explained to Claimant that she could submit an Assistance Application (DHS-1171) for retroactive coverage and if found eligible, would have no loss of Medical Assistance (MA) coverage. 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 closed Claimant's SSI and Terminated SSI Medical Assistance (MA).

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

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

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Date Signed: February 22, 2013

Date Mailed: February 22, 2013

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

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 - 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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