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

IN THE MATTER OF:



 Reg. No.:
 2013-39397

 Issue Nos.:
 2000, 4000

 Case No.:
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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 July 11, 2013, from Detroit, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included the Claimant, her Authorized Representative, Don Rosenberg, Atty., her mother, **Matter Medical Contact**, and her sister, **Matter Medical Contact** Worker.

ISSUE

Whether the Department properly:

denied Claimant's application for benefits

Closed Claimant's case for benefits

reduced Claimant's benefits

for:

Family Independence Program (FIP)?

Food Assistance Program (FAP)?

Medical Assistance (MA)?

Adult Medical Assistance (AMP)?

State Disability Assistance (SDA)?

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 May 1, 2013, 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	SER

2. On March 20, 2013, the Department sent notice to Claimant (or Claimant's Authorized Hearing Representative) of the:

	denial
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	reduction

3. On March 29, 2013, 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 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.

∑ The State Disability Assistance (SDA) program, which provides financial assistance for disabled persons, is established by 2004 PA 344. The Department of Human Services (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers the SDA program pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and 2000 AACS, Rule 400.3151 through Rule 400.3180.

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 MA and SDA benefits, delete her irrevocable trust from the calculation of her assets, and restore 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 IS ORDERED TO INITIATE THE FOLLOWING ACTION WITHIN TEN DAYS OF THE MAILING DATE OF THIS ORDER:

- 1. Reinstate Claimant's MA and SDA benefits.
- Delete her irrevocable trust from the determination of her assets (see Dept. Exh. 1, p. 19).
- 3. Provide retroactive and ongoing MA and SDA benefits to Claimant at the benefit levels 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: July 16, 2013 Date Mailed: July 17, 2013

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. JL/tm

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