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

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No.: 2013-44654

Issue No.: 2000

Case No.:

Hearing Date: July 1, 2013 County: Macomb (36)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Susan C. Burke

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 hearing was held on July 1, 2013, in Sterling Heights, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included Claimant and Claimant's Authorized Hearing Representative,

Department of Human Services (Department) included Assistance Payment Worker.

<u>ISSUE</u>

Whether the Department properly denied Claimant's application for benefits Medical Assistance (MA).

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 April 26, 2013, Claimant filed a request for hearing concerning the Department's action regarding MA.
- 2. At the hearing, the parties reached an agreement whereby the Department would find Claimant categorically eligible for MA based on disability, effective November 3, 2010 and review Claimant's eligibility with respect to all other factors, not including disability.

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 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: find Claimant categorically eligible for MA based on disability, effective November 3, 2010, pursuant to the Social Security Determination of July 27, 2012, and review Claimant's eligibility with respect to all other factors, not including disability.

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.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Claimant is found disabled for the purposes of the MA-P program as of November 3, 2010.

It is further ORDERED:

THE DEPARTMENT SHALL BEGIN THE PROCESS OF THE FOLLOWING STEPS WITHIN TEN DAYS OF THE MAILING OF THIS ORDER:

1. Initiate processing of the February 17, 2011 application, retroactive to November of 2010, to determine if all other non-medical criteria are met and inform Claimant and his Authorized Hearing Representative of the determination, in accordance with Department policy.

2. The Department shall review Claimant's continued eligibility in August of 2014, in accordance with Department policy.

Susan C. Burke
Administrative Law Judge
for Maura Corrigan, Director

Department of Human Services

Date Signed: July 9, 2013

Date Mailed: July 10, 2013

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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 mailing date of the rehearing decision.

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