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

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No.: 2013-51347

Issue No.: 4070

Case No.:

Hearing Date: July 18, 2013 County: Wayne (82-35)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Alice C. Elkin

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 18, 2013, from Detroit, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included Claimant and Participants on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) included

ISSUE

Whether the Department properly closed Claimant's State SSI Payment (SSP) case.

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 February 1, 2013, the Department closed Claimant's SSP case.
- 2. On May 21, 2013, the Department sent notice to Claimant of the closure effective immediately.
- 3. On May 28, 2013, Claimant filed a request for hearing concerning the Department's action.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Department policies are found in the Department of Human Services Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM), Reference Tables Manual (RFT), and State Emergency Relief Manual (ERM).

The State SSI Payments (SSP) program is established by 20 CFR 416 and the Social Security Act, 616 [42 USC 1382e]. The Department administers the program pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq*.

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. At the hearing, the Department acknowledged that it had erroneously closed Claimant's SSP case. Although the Department was able to reinstate Claimant's SSP benefits as of July 1, 2013, it agreed that Claimant was due SSP benefits for the period between February 1, 2013, and June 30, 2013. 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: issue supplements to Claimant for SSP benefits due to her for the period between February 1, 2013, and June 30, 2013, in accordance with Department policy.

As a result of this settlement, Claimant and her daughter both testified that they 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 DO THE FOLLOWING:

1. Issue supplements to Claimant for SSP benefits due to her for the period between February 1, 2013, and June 30, 2013, in accordance with Department policy.

Alice C. Elkin

Administrative Law Judge for Maura Corrigan, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: July 22, 2013

Date Mailed: July 22, 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.

