

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

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

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Reg. No.: 2013-53093  
Issue No.: 1000  
Case No.: ██████████  
Hearing Date: July 17, 2013  
County: Wayne (15)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE:** Colleen M. Mamelka

**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 telephone hearing was conducted from Detroit, Michigan on Wednesday, July 17, 2013. Claimant appeared and testified. Participating on behalf of the Department of Human Services ("Department") was ██████████.

**ISSUE**

Whether the Department properly process and approve Claimant's Family Independence Program ("FIP") benefits effective June 1, 2013.

**FINDINGS OF FACT**

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

1. The Department received Claimant's public assistance application seeking FIP benefits on April 1, 2013.
2. On May 13<sup>th</sup>, Claimant attended the Partnership.Accountability.Training.Hope ("PATH") orientation as required.
3. On June 3, 2013, Claimant completed the 21 day PATH program.
4. On June 7, 2013, FIP benefits were certified for group size of 2 in the amount of \$381.00.

5. Claimant receives \$22.00 in Home Health Care benefits.
6. On June 15, 2013, the Department received Claimant written request for hearing regarding the FIP and FAP supplement.

### **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 Family Independence Program (“FIP”) was established pursuant to the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, Public Law 104-193, 42 USC 601, *et seq.* The Department (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers FIP pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and Mich Admin Code, Rules 400.3101 through 400.3131. FIP replaced the Aid to Dependent Children program effective October 1, 1996.

In the present case, Claimant previously received FIP benefits in the amount of \$402.00. When Claimant reapplied for benefits, she received \$381.00. During the hearing, it was explained that the previous amount of \$402 was reduced by \$22.00; the amount Claimant receives for home health care. Soon after commencement of the hearing, Claimant testified that she now understood the action taken by the Department was not in disagreement. The Request for Hearing was withdrawn. The Department agreed to the dismissal of the hearing request.

Pursuant to the withdrawal of the hearing request filed in this matter, the Request for Hearing is hereby **DISMISSED**.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**



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Colleen M. Mamelka  
Administrative Law Judge  
for Maura Corrigan, Director  
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: July 23, 2013

Date Mailed: July 24, 2013

**NOTICE**: 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.

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