

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

IN THE MATTER OF:

[REDACTED]

Reg. No.: 2013-40769
Issue No.: 2000
Case No.: [REDACTED]
Hearing Date: July 24, 2013
County: Wayne (82-19)

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 24, 2013, from Detroit, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included [REDACTED] Participants on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) included [REDACTED].

ISSUE

Whether the Department properly processed Claimant's Medical Assistance (MA) application?

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 September 20, 2012, Claimant applied for MA benefits.
2. On March 27, 2013, Claimant's AHR requested a hearing, contending that the Department had failed to process Claimant's application.

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 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's AHR requested a hearing to dispute the Department's failure to process Claimant's September 22, 2012, MA application with retroactive coverage to August 2012. At the hearing, the Department testified that, based on Claimant's approval for federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits, it had activated Claimant's MA coverage for September 2012 ongoing and was willing to activate coverage for August 2012. 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: activate Claimant's MA coverage for August 2012 in accordance with Department policy.

As a result of this settlement, Claimant's AHR 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's AHR have come to a settlement regarding Claimant's request for a hearing.

THE DEPARTMENT IS ORDERED TO DO THE FOLLOWING:

1. Activate Claimant's MA coverage for August 2012 in accordance with Department policy.



Alice C. Elkin
Administrative Law Judge
for Maura Corrigan, Director
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: July 25, 2013

Date Mailed: July 29, 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 receipt date of the rehearing decision.

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