

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

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

[REDACTED]

Reg. No.: 2013-41103  
Issue No.: 2000  
Case No.: [REDACTED]  
Hearing Date: July 24, 2013  
County: Wayne County (#19)

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: MICHELLE HOWIE**

**SETTLEMENT ORDER**

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37 Claimant's April 5, 2013 request for a hearing. After due notice, a telephone hearing was conducted on Wednesday, July 24, 2013, from Detroit, Michigan. Participant on behalf of Claimant was [REDACTED], Authorized Hearing Representative (AHR) from [REDACTED]. Participant on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) was [REDACTED] Eligibility Specialist).

**ISSUE**

Whether the Department properly processed the Claimant's application for 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 February 21, 2011, the Department received an application for retro MA for the months of October and November 2009, from L& S Associates on behalf of Claimant.
2. The Department did not take any action.
3. On April 11, 2013, the Department received a written hearing request from L&S on behalf of Claimant, concerning the processing of the retro-MA application.
4. At hearing, the parties reached a settlement agreement.

**CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

The Department of Human Services (DHS) 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, the AHR requested a hearing on behalf of Claimant to dispute the Department's lack of action on the February 21, 2011 retro MA application. Soon after commencement of the hearing, the parties reached a settlement concerning the disputed action. Consequently, the Department agreed to do the following: Process the retro MA application and provide MA coverage for November 2009 as a result of the Social Security entitlement award as of November 2009.

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

THE DEPARTMENT IS ORDERED TO DO THE FOLLOWING WITHIN 10 DAYS OF THIS DECISION:

1. The Department shall process the February 21, 2011 retro MA application and activate MA coverage for November 2009 in accordance with department policy, if Claimant is otherwise eligible.

*M. Howie*

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

2013-41103/MH

Date Signed: 8/13/2013

Date Mailed: 8/13/2013

**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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