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

### IN THE MATTER OF:

Reg. No.: 201369797

Issue No.: Case No.:

Hearing Date: October 24, 2013

County: Eaton

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Gary F. Heisler

# **HEARING DECISION**

Following Claimant's request for a hearing, this matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and 400.37; 7 CFR 273.15 to 273.18; 42 CFR 431.200 to 431.250; 45 CFR 99.1 to 99.33; and 45 CFR 205.10. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on October 24, 2013, from Lansing, Michigan. Claimant appeared and testified. Participants on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) included ES

## <u>ISSUE</u>

Did the Department of Human Services determine the proper amount of Claimant's Medical Assistance (MA) coverage on September 5, 2013?

Did the Department of Human Services determine the proper amount of Claimant's Food Assistance Program (FAP) eligibility on September 5, 2013?

Did the Department of Human Services proper end close Claimant's Child Development and Care (CDC) benefits due to excess income on September 5, 2013?

# FINDINGS OF FACT

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

- Claimant was an ongoing recipient of Medical Assistance (MA), Food Assistance Program (FAP) and Child Development and Care (CDC) benefits.
- 2. On September 5, 2013, the Department ran a financial eligibility budget to redetermine Claimant's eligibility. Claimant was sent notice that her Medical Assistance (MA) was now a deductible, her group was eligible for

Food Assistance Program (FAP) benefits and her Child Development and Care (CDC) was closed due to excess income.

3. On September 16, 2013, Claimant submitted a request for hearing.

# **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

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

The Medical Assistance (MA) program is established by the Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 USC 1396-1396w-5, and is implemented by 42 CFR 400.200 to 1008.59. The Department of Human Services (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers the MA program pursuant to MCL 400.10 and MCL 400.105.

The Food Assistance Program (FAP) [formerly known as the Food Stamp program] is established by the Food Stamp Act of 1977, as amended, 7 USC 2011 to 2036a and is implemented by the federal regulations contained in 7 CFR 271.1 to 285.5. The Department (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers FAP pursuant to MCL 400.10 and Mich Admin Code, R 400.3001 to .3015.

The Child Development and Care (CDC) program is established by Titles IVA, IVE and XX of the Social Security Act, 42 USC 601-619, 670-679c, and 1397-1397m-5; the Child Care and Development Block Grant of 1990, PL 101-508, 42 USC 9858 to 9858q; and the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, PL 104-193. The program is implemented by 45 CFR 98.1-99.33. The Department administers the program pursuant to MCL 400.10 and provides services to adults and children pursuant to MCL 400.14(1) and Mich Admin Code, R 400.5001-.5020.

During this hearing Claimant and her spouses earned income were verified. The Medical Assistance (MA), Food Assistance Program (FAP) and Child Development and Care (CDC) financial eligibility budgets were reviewed and explained to Claimant. One error was found in the Medical Assistance (MA) financial eligibility budget, The error is favorable to Claimant so the Department will not be reversed on that program. The Food Assistance Program (FAP) AND Child Development and Care (CDC) financial eligibility budgets were found to be correct. A detailed analysis of the evidence presented, applicable Department policies, and reasoning for the decision are contained in the recorded record. During the hearing Claimant was informed of the decision and the reasoning behind the decision.

The Administrative Law Judge, based on the above Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, and for the reasons stated on the record, if any, finds that the Department acted in accordance with Department policy on September 5, 2013 when it determined Claimant's Medical Assistance (MA), Food Assistance Program (FAP) and Child Development and Care (CDC) eligibility.

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

Accordingly, the Department's decision is **AFFIRMED.** 

Gary F. Heisler
Administrative Law Judge

for Maura Corrigan, Director Department of Human Services

Date Signed: 10/25/2013

Date Mailed: <u>10/28/2013</u>

**NOTICE OF APPEAL:** 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 or Reconsideration was made, within 30 days of the receipt date of the Decision and Order of Reconsideration or Rehearing Decision.

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).

A Request for Rehearing or Reconsideration may be granted when one of the following exists:

- Newly discovered evidence that existed at the time of the original hearing that could affect the outcome of the original hearing decision;
- Misapplication of manual policy or law in the hearing decision which led to a wrong conclusion;
- Typographical, mathematical or other obvious error in the hearing decision that affects the rights of the client:
- Failure of the ALJ to address in the hearing decision relevant issues raised in the hearing request.

The Department, AHR or the claimant must specify all reasons for the request. MAHS will not review any response to a request for rehearing/reconsideration. A request must be *received* in MAHS within 30 days of the date the hearing decision is mailed.

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The written request must be faxed to (517) 335-6088 and be labeled as follows:

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If submitted by mail, the written request must be addressed as follows:

Michigan Administrative Hearings Reconsideration/Rehearing Request P.O. Box 30639 Lansing, Michigan 48909-07322

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