

**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.: 2013-55866
Issue No.: 2001
Case No.: ██████████
Hearing Date: August 21, 2013
County: Wayne (82-15)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Michael J. Bennane

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 August 21, 2013, from Detroit, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included Claimant. Participants on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) included ██████████.

ISSUE

With respect to the Adult Medical Assistance Program (AMP), did the Department properly deny Claimant's application? close Claimant's case?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

1. Claimant applied for received AMP benefits.
2. Claimant was was not living with a spouse during the time period in question.
3. The total countable income of Claimant's household, according to the Department was \$1,336 during the time relevant to this matter.
4. The Department denied Claimant's application closed Claimant's case due to excess income.

5. On June 4, 2013, the Department sent notice of its decision to Claimant/Claimant's Authorized Representative (AR).
6. On June 25, 2013, Claimant/Claimant's Authorized Hearing Representative (AHR) filed a hearing request, protesting the Department's action.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Adult Medical Program (AMP) is established by 42 USC 1315 and is administered by the Department pursuant to MCL 400.10. Department policies are contained in the Department of Human Services Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), Department of Human Services Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM), and Department of Human Services Reference Tables Manual (RFT).

Additionally, the Department denied Claimant's application for MA/AMP due to excess income.

At the hearing, Claimant claimed to be disabled, but on the application he filed with the Department, he answered "no" to the question as to whether he was disabled. The question of Claimant stating that he was disabled on his application is pertinent as to whether the Department correctly analyzed Claimant's eligibility for AMP and not a different MA program. This Administrative Law Judge finds the Department was correct in its application of AMP policy.

However, the Department failed to provide any documentation of Claimant's income. The Department did testify that the income threshold for AMP was \$336 for a group of one. RFT 236 (June 2013).

The Department did provide a "Hearing Summary" that listed Claimant's income as \$1,336 per month and the AMP income threshold as \$300 per month, but it did not provide any documentation for same.

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.
- did not act in accordance with Department policy.
- failed to satisfy its burden of showing that it acted in accordance with Department policy.

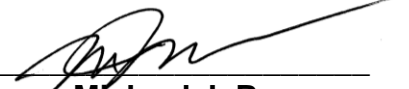
DECISION AND ORDER

Accordingly, the Department's AMP decision is AFFIRMED REVERSED.

- THE DEPARTMENT IS ORDERED TO BEGIN DOING THE FOLLOWING, IN ACCORDANCE WITH DEPARTMENT POLICY AND CONSISTENT WITH THIS

HEARING DECISION, WITHIN 10 DAYS OF THE DATE OF MAILING OF THIS DECISION AND ORDER:

1. Reregister and process Claimant's MA/AMP application of April 21, 2013, and supplement for missed benefits if applicable.



Michael J. Bennane
Administrative Law Judge
for Maura Corrigan, Director
Department of Human Services

Date Signed: November 18, 2013

Date Mailed: November 18, 2013

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.

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

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