

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

IN THE MATTER OF:

[REDACTED]

Reg No: 2013-16138
Issue No: 2009

[REDACTED]
Ottawa County DHS (00)

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Aaron McClintic

DECISION AND ORDER

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37 upon the Claimant's request for a hearing. After due notice, an in person hearing was held on [REDACTED]. Claimant's Authorized Hearings Representative [REDACTED] through [REDACTED] also appeared. The Department was represented by [REDACTED].

ISSUE

Did the Department properly deny 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. Claimant applied for MA-P on [REDACTED] with a request for retroactive coverage back to [REDACTED].
2. The Medical Review Team denied the application on [REDACTED].
3. Claimant filed a request for hearing on [REDACTED] regarding the MA denial.
4. An in person hearing was held on [REDACTED].
5. On [REDACTED] the State Hearing Review Team approved the application effective [REDACTED] because the Claimant's does retains the capacity to perform light exertional work.
6. Claimant was approved for Social Security Disability benefits on [REDACTED] with an onset date of [REDACTED].

7. The Department agreed at hearing to active coverage going back to [REDACTED].

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

The Medical Assistance (MA) program is established by 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 (DHS or department) administers the MA program pursuant to MCL 400.10, *et seq.*, and MCL 400.105. Department policies are found in the Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) and the Bridges Reference Manual (BRM).

Department policy at BEM 260 states that if a claimant has been found eligible by the State Hearing Review Team, the person meets the Department's MA disability criteria. No other evidence is required to establish disability. In the present case, the claimant was found disabled by the Social Security Administration and has presented prima facie evidence of the same. This disability was found by the Social Security Administration to be disabled as of August 2007. Therefore, the Administrative Law Judge finds that the Claimant met the Department's definition of disabled for the purposes of MA-P.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the above findings of fact and conclusions of law, decides that the Claimant is medically disabled as of [REDACTED] for the purposes of the MA and retroactive MA program, pending a review of all non-medical eligibility factors. The Department representatives agreed to this at hearing.

Accordingly, the Department's decision in the above stated matter is, hereby, **REVERSED**.

The Department is **ORDERED** to process Claimant's Medicaid and Retroactive Medicaid applications of [REDACTED], and initiate a review of all non-medical eligibility factors, if it has not already done so.

The Department is further **ORDERED** to initiate a full review of this case in [REDACTED].



Aaron McClintic
Administrative Law Judge
for Maura Corrigan, Director
Department of Human Services

2013-16138/AM

Date Signed: 05/29/2013

Date Mailed: 05/29/2013

NOTICE: Administrative Hearings 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. Administrative Hearings will not order a rehearing or reconsideration on the Department's motion where the final decision cannot be implemented within 60 days of the filing of the original request.

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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