

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

**IN THE MATTER OF:**

[REDACTED]

Reg. No.: 2013-45979  
Issue No.: 2000  
Case No.: [REDACTED]  
Hearing Date: August 19, 2013  
County: Macomb (50-20)

**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 August 19, 2013, from Detroit, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included Claimant. Participants on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) included [REDACTED].

**ISSUE**

Whether the Department properly denied Claimant's March 19, 2013, Medical Assistance (MA) application, with request for retroactive coverage to January 2013.

**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 March 19, 2013, Claimant applied for MA, with retroactive coverage to January 2013
2. On April 17, 2013, the Department sent Claimant a Verification Checklist (VCL) requesting documentation concerning Claimant's February 2013 hospitalization by April 29, 2013.
3. The Department received medical documentation but no documentation concerning Claimant's February 2013 hospitalization.

4. On May 3, 2013, the Department sent Claimant an Application Eligibility Notice notifying Claimant that her MA application was denied because she had failed to provide medical documentation necessary for a disability determination.
5. On May 8, 2013, Claimant filed a request for hearing disputing the Department's actions.

### **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.

In the present case, Claimant requested a hearing to dispute the Department's denial of her MA application.

The law provides that disposition may be made of a contested case by stipulation or agreed settlement. MCL 24.278(2). 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: (1) reregister Claimant's March 19, 2013, MA application, with retroactive application to January 2013; (2) begin reprocessing the application in accordance with Department policy; (3) provide Claimant with MA coverage she is eligible to receive from January 1, 2013, ongoing; and (4) notify Claimant in writing of its decision in accordance with Department policy.

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

THE DEPARTMENT IS ORDERED TO DO THE FOLLOWING:

1. Reregister Claimant's March 19, 2013, MA application, with retroactive application to January 2013;
2. Begin reprocessing the application in accordance with Department policy;

3. Provide Claimant with MA coverage she is eligible to receive from January 1, 2013, ongoing; and
4. Notify Claimant in writing of its decision in accordance with Department policy.



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

Date Signed: August 22, 2013

Date Mailed: August 22, 2013

**NOTICE:** 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)

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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