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

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No.: 201418278

Issue No.: <u>2001</u>

Case No.:

Hearing Date: February 5, 2014
County: February 5, 2014
Healthy Kids/Plan 1st

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Carmen G. Fahie

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, telephone hearing was held on Wednesday, February 5, 2014, from Lansing, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included the Claimant and an interpreter, Participants on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) included

<u>ISSUE</u>

Did the Department properly deny Claimant's application for Medical Assistance (MA)?

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 MA benefits.
- On December 10, 2013, the Department denied Claimant's application due to the fact that Claimant was a resident alien, which meant that she was only eligible for emergency MA for the first 5 years after entering the United States.
- 3. On December 10, 2013, the Department sent Claimant notice of its decision.
- 4. On December 18, 2013, Claimant filed a hearing request, protesting the Department's actions.

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), and Department of Human Services Reference Tables Manual (RFT).

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.

Additionally, the Claimant applied for MA Plan First on November 14, 2013. Department Exhibit 14- 29. The Claimant provided a Permanent Resident alien card with a date of entry into the United States of Department Exhibit 3, 6-7. The Claimant cannot qualify for Plan First until she has been in the United States for over 5 years. On December 10, 2013, the Department denied the Claimant's Plan First application because she was only eligible for emergency MA. Department Exhibit 7-12. BEM 124 and 225.

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon 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 when it denied the Claimant's Plan First application because as a resident alien, she is only eligible for emergency MA until she has been in the United States for over five years.

DECISION AND ORDER

Accordingly, the Department's decision is AFFIRMED.

Carmen G. Fahie

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

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Date Signed: February 27, 2014

Date Mailed: February 27, 2014

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:

Attention: MAHS Rehearing/Reconsideration Request

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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