

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

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No.: 14-002510
Issue No.: FAP
Case No.:
Hearing Date: June 12, 2014
County: Clare County DHS

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 June 12, 2014, from Lansing, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included herself. Participants on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) included ES and Program Services Manager .

ISSUE

Did the Department properly determine Claimant's Medical Assistance eligibility on January 24, 2014?

Did the Department properly determine Claimant's Food Assistance Program eligibility on January 24, 2014?

Did the Department properly deny Claimant's January 21, 2014 State Emergency Relief Program application?

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 was an ongoing recipient of Medical Assistance and Food Assistance Program benefits for herself and her daughter.
2. On December 12, 2013, Claimant submitted verification of getting married and having an additional member of her household.

3. On January 21, 2014, Claimant submitted an State Emergency Relief Program application.
4. On January 24, 2014, Claimant was sent a Notice of Case Action (DHS-1605) which stated her Medical Assistance eligibility was changed to a deductible and her Food Assistance Program would close due to excess income. Claimant also received a State Emergency Relief Decision Notice (DHS-1419) which stated her application for assistance with energy services was denied due to excess income.
5. On February 4, 2014, Claimant submitted a hearing request.

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 Title XIX of the Social Security Act, 42 USC 1396-1396w-5; 42 USC 1315; the Affordable Care Act of 2010, the collective term for the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, Pub. L. No. 111-148, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010, Pub. L. No. 111-152; and 42 CFR 430.10-.25. The Department (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers the MA program pursuant to 42 CFR 435, MCL 400.10, and MCL 400.105-.112k.

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 273. The Department (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers FAP pursuant to MCL 400.10, the Social Welfare Act, MCL 400.1-.119b, and Mich Admin Code, R 400.3001 to .3015.

The State Emergency Relief (SER) program is established by the Social Welfare Act, MCL 400.1-.119b. The SER program is administered by the Department (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) pursuant to MCL 400.10 and Mich Admin Code, R 400.7001 through R 400.7049.

During this hearing Claimant's income for the period prior to the eligibility determinations was verified. The Medical Assistance financial eligibility budget, Food Assistance Program financial eligibility budget and State Emergency Relief Program financial eligibility budget were reviewed and found to be correct.

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 when it determined Claimant's Medical Assistance

eligibility, Food Assistance Program eligibility and denied ger State Emergency Relief Program application on January 24, 2014.

DECISION AND ORDER

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



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

Date Signed: **6/18/2014**

Date Mailed: **6/18/2014**

GFH/ hj

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A party may request a rehearing or reconsideration of this Hearing Decision from the Michigan Administrative Hearing System (MAHS) within 30 days of the mailing date of this Hearing Decision, or MAHS may order a rehearing or reconsideration on its own motion.

MAHS may grant a party's Request for Rehearing or Reconsideration 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.

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