

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

**IN THE MATTER OF:**



Reg. No.: 14-000513  
Issue No.: 1001;4001  
Case No.: [REDACTED]  
Hearing Date: May 1, 2014  
County: Kent

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Michael S. Newell**

**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 May 1, 2014, from Lansing, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included Claimant. Participants on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) included [REDACTED], Hearings Facilitator and [REDACTED], Supervisor.

**ISSUE**

Did the Department properly deny Claimant's cash assistance 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 applied for SDA and FAP on March 14, 2014.
2. Claimant receives \$ [REDACTED] per month in RSDI income.
3. On March 21, 2014, Claimant was sent a Notice of Case Action denying Claimant's SDA application.
4. On March 31, 2014 Claimant requested a hearing for Cash assistance and FAP.
5. Claimant withdrew his request for a FAP hearing during the hearing.

**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 Family Independence Program (FIP) was established pursuant to the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, PL 104-193, and 42 USC 601 to 679c. The Department (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers FIP pursuant to MCL 400.10 and 400.57a and Mich Admin Code, R 400.3101 to .3131.

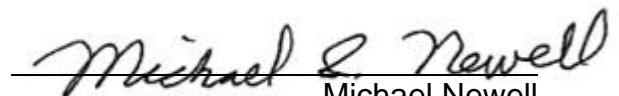
The State Disability Assistance (SDA) program is established by the Social Welfare Act, MCL 400.1-.119b. The Department of Human Services (formerly known as the Family Independence Agency) administers the SDA program pursuant to MCL 400.10 and Mich Admin Code, R 400.3151-.3180.

Additionally, Claimant's monthly income exceeds the payment standard for both SDA and FIP. See RFT 210 and 225. When an individual or group's monthly income exceeds the applicable payment standard, the individual or group is ineligible for cash assistance. BEM 515, 518, 520.

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 denied Claimant's cash assistance application.

### **DECISION AND ORDER**

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



Michael Newell

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

Date Signed: **5/8/2014**

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