| Reg. No.: | $15-003226$ |
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| Issue No.: | 2002 |
| Case No.: |  |
| Hearing Date: | May 07, 2015 |
| County: | Saginaw |

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Gary 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; and Mich Admin Code, R 792.11002. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on May 7, 2015, from Lansing, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included himself. Participants on behalf of the Department of Health and Human Services (Department) included Hearing Facilitator

## ISSUE

Did the Department properly deny Claimant's December 31, 2014 Medical 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. On December 31, 2014, Claimant submitted a Medical Assistance application.
2. On January 2, 2015, a Health Care Coverage Supplemental Questionnaire (DHS1004) was sent to Claimant the signed form and information was due back on January 12, 2015.
3. On January 12, 2015, part of the Health Care Coverage Supplemental Questionnaire (DHS-1004) was returned to the Department.
4. On February 4, 2015, Claimant was sent a Health Care Coverage Determination Notice (DHS-1606) which stated the application was denied for failure to return the questionnaire.
5. On March 12, 2015, Claimant submitted a hearing request.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Department policies are contained in the Department of Health and Human Services Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), Department of Health and Human Services Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM), Department of Health and Human Services Reference Tables Manual (RFT), and Department of Health and 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 Department of Human Services) administers the MA program pursuant to 42 CFR 435, MCL 400.10, and MCL 400.105-.112k.

During this hearing the Department representative testified that she has reviewed the case file and only the first two pages of the Health Care Coverage Supplemental Questionnaire (DHS-1004) were received by the Department. Claimant testified that he had a friend fax in the Health Care Coverage Supplemental Questionnaire (DHS-1004) and he thought it had all been received by the Department. The evidence in this record shows that the Department did not receive all three pages of the required Health Care Coverage Supplemental Questionnaire (DHS-1004). 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 December 31, 2014 Medical Assistance application.

## DECISION AND ORDER

Accordingly, the Department's decision is AFFIRMED.


Date Signed: 5/13/2015
Date Mailed: 5/13/2015
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NOTICE OF APPEAL: A party may appeal this Hearing Decision in the circuit court in the county in which he/she resides, or the circuit court in Ingham County, within 30 days of the receipt date. A copy of the claim or application for appeal must be filed with the Michigan Administrative Hearing System (MAHS).

A party may request a rehearing or reconsideration of this Hearing Decision from 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.

The party requesting a rehearing or reconsideration 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 this Hearing Decision is mailed.

A written request may be faxed or mailed to MAHS. If submitted by fax, the written request must be faxed to (517) 335-6088 and be labeled as follows:

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If submitted by mail, the written request must be addressed as follows:
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