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

IN THE MATTER OF:



Reg. No.: Issue No.: 6001 Case No.: June 04, 2015 Hearing Date: County:

15-007112

MACOMB-36

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Robert J. Chavez

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 4, 2015, from Detroit, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included AHR Participants on behalf of the Department of Health and Human Services (Department) included , Hearings Facilitator, and the second state , Assistance Hearings Facilitator, Payments Supervisor.

ISSUE

Did the Department properly authorize Claimant's Child Development and Care (CDC) eligibility?

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 a CDC recipient.
- 2. Claimant's CDC benefits were not authorized properly for a period of April 6, 2014 through October 18, 2014.
- 3. The Department admitted on the record that this was in error.
- 4. Claimant requested a hearing on May 1, 2015.

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 Child Development and Care (CDC) program is established by Titles IVA, IVE and XX of the Social Security Act, 42 USC 601-619, 670-679c, and 1397-1397m-5; the Child Care and Development Block Grant of 1990, PL 101-508, 42 USC 9858 to 9858q; and the Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act of 1996, PL 104-193. The program is implemented by 45 CFR 98.1-99.33. The Department administers the program pursuant to MCL 400.10 and provides services to adults and children pursuant to MCL 400.14(1) and Mich Admin Code, R 400.5001-.5020.

While Claimant also requested a hearing with regard to Food Assistance Program and State Emergency Relief, Claimant stated on the record that there was no grievance with those programs; as such, the request for hearings on those matters is dismissed.

After opening the record, the Department admitted error in the current case, and stated affirmatively that steps were required to correct the action taken with regards to Claimant's benefit case. Therefore, no other findings are necessary.

In the current case, the Department testified that Claimant's CDC provider was eligible for 60 hours biweekly in CDC eligibility for the period of April 6, 2014 through October 18, 2014, and furthermore agrees to activate billing for this amount for this time period, in order to correct the action taken with regard to Claimant's current benefits case. The Department also agreed to conduct a review of Claimant's DP %. The Administrative Law Judge, therefore, holds that the Department must take the action stated.

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 did not act in accordance with Department policy when it did not find Claimant's CDC provider eligible for 60 hours biweekly for the time period of April 6, 2014 through October 18, 2014.

DECISION AND ORDER

Accordingly, the Department's decision is REVERSED.

THE DEPARTMENT IS ORDERED TO BEGIN DOING THE FOLLOWING, IN ACCORDANCE WITH DEPARTMENT POLICY AND CONSISTENT WITH THIS HEARING DECISION, WITHIN 10 DAYS OF THE DATE OF MAILING OF THIS DECISION AND ORDER:

- 1. Authorize billing for Claimant's CDC provider for a total of 60 hours biweekly in CDC benefits for a period of April 6, 2014 through October 18, 2014.
- 2. Conduct a review of Claimant's CDC DP%.

Administrative Law Judge for Nick Lyon, Director Department of Health and Human Services

Date Signed: 6/15/2015

Date Mailed: 6/15/2015

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- 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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