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Agency No.:
Petitioner:

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Aaron McClintic

## **HEARING DECISION**

Following Petitioner'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 3 way telephone hearing was held on April 5, 2016, from Lansing, Michigan. The Petitioner was represented by Authorized Representative from The Department of Health and Human Services (Department) was represented by Hearing Facilitator

# **ISSUE**

Did the Department properly deny Petitioner's Medical Assistance application due to excess income?

#### 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 30, 2015, Petitioner applied for Medical Assistance.
- 2. On January 20, 2016, the Department issued a Health Care Coverage Determination Notice denying Petitioner's application due to excess income.
- 3. On February 5, 2016, Petitioner requested hearing disputing the denial due to excess income.
- 4. Petitioner earns \$ per year in gross employment income.

# **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.

In this case, Petitioner earns employment income of specific per year. This was calculated by multiplying Petitioner's rate of pay per hour by the number of hours worked then by 52 for the number of weeks. The gross income limit for the Healthy Michigan Plan with the 5% disregard is Therefore the Department's denial due to excess income was proper and 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 denied Petitioner's application for Medicaid due to excess income.

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

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

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Aaron McClintic

Administrative Law Judge for Nick Lyon, Director

Department of Health and Human Services

**NOTICE OF APPEAL**: A party may appeal this Order in circuit court within 30 days of the receipt date. A copy of the circuit court appeal must be filed with the Michigan Administrative Hearing System (MAHS).

A party may request a rehearing or reconsideration of this Order if the request is received by MAHS within 30 days of the date the Order was issued. The party requesting a rehearing or reconsideration must provide the specific reasons for the request. MAHS will not review any response to a request for rehearing/reconsideration.

A written request may be mailed or faxed to MAHS. If submitted by fax, the written request must be faxed to (517) 335-6088; 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 48909-8139

