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Date Mailed: May 26, 2016 MAHS Docket No.: <u>16-0</u>03630

Agency No.:
Petitioner:

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Gary Heisler

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 telephone hearing was held on May 3, 2016, from Lansing, Michigan. Petitioner appeared and testified. Lead Worker appeared for the Department and testified. Department's Exhibit A, pages 1 – 20 was admitted into evidence.

ISSUE

Did the Department properly deny Petitioner's January 2, 2016, Medical Assistance (MA) 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 January 2, 2016, Petitioner submitted an online application for Medical Assistance (MA) benefits for herself and indicated that both Petitioner and had earned income. The application includes notice that verification of any reported earned income was required.
- 2. On January 8, 2016, Petitioner was sent a Health Care Coverage Supplemental Questionnaire (DHS-1004). The form stated that proof of any listed earned income was required to be submitted along with the form by January 19, 2016.

- 3. On February 1, 2016, a Verification Checklist (DHS-3503) was issued requesting verification of both Petitioner and due on February 11, 2016.
- 4. On February 12, 2016, the Department had not received verification of either Petitioner and earned income. A Health Care Coverage Determination Notice (DHS-1606) was issued denying the application.
- 5. On March 11, 2016, Petitioner submitted a hearing request. The Department had still not received any information on earned 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.

The evidence in this record shows that Petitioner was repeatedly provided notice between January 2, 2016 and February 12, 2016, that verification of any reported earned income was required. No verification of earned income was provided to the Department. 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 January 2, 2016, Medical Assistance (MA) application.

DECISION AND ORDER

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

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Gary Heisler

Administrative Law Judge for Nick Lyon, Director

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:

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