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Date Mailed: April 27, 2018 MAHS Docket No.: 18-000472

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; 42 CFR 438.400 to 438.424; 45 CFR 99.1 to 99.33; and 45 CFR 205.10; and Mich Admin Code, R 792.11002. After due notice, an in person hearing was held on April 3, 2018, from Michigan. Petitioner was represented by himself. The Department of Health and Human Services (Department) was represented by Hearing Coordinator. Department Exhibit 1, pp. 1-19 was received and admitted.

ISSUE

Did the Department properly determine Petitioner's eligibility for Medical Assistance (MA)?

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 Petitioner submitted redetermination forms.
- 2. On , a verification checklist was sent to Petitioner.
- 3. On Petitioner informing him that MA would close due to failure to provide verifications.
- 4. On Petitioner requested hearing contesting the closure of MA.

- 5. On Petitioner submitted bank statements.
- 6. Petitioner's MA benefits were reinstated going back to closure and there was no lapse in coverage.

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, MA benefits were reinstated after bank account verifications were received. Petitioner acknowledged at hearing that his benefits were reinstated. Petitioner raised issues with regard to his worker not returning his phone calls. Petitioner testified that he submitted the forms with his redetermination. The undersigned Administrative Law Judge has no authority to address issues with regard to worker's performance of their duties other than to order the Department to take action with regard to benefits. The Department already took action to reinstate Petitioner's benefits.

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 reinstated Petitioner's MA benefit back to the date of closure.

DECISION AND ORDER

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

AM/bb

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

