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Date Mailed: August 8, 2018 MAHS Docket No.: 18-005540 Agency No.: Petitioner:

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Carmen G. Fahie

# **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, a telephone hearing was held on June 21, 2018, from Lansing, Michigan. Petitioner was represented by himself. The Department of Health and Human Services (Department) was represented by Amy Turner, Assistance Payments Supervisor and Robert Brooks, Eligibility Specialist.

## <u>ISSUE</u>

Did the Department properly determine Petitioner's eligibility for Medical Assistance (MA) and Medical Cost-Share (MCS) Program?

## FINDINGS OF FACT

The Administrative Law Judge, based on the competent, material, and substantial evidence on the whole record, finds as material fact:

- 1. Petitioner was due for a redetermination of MA and MCS program.
- 2. On April 17, 2018, the Department Caseworker, after conducting the telephone interview, informed Petitioner that he was required to provide a current statement from his checking account at Chase Bank.
- 3. On April 17, 2018, the Department Caseworker sent Petitioner a Verification Checklist, DHS 3503, due April 27, 2018, for Petitioner to submit a current statement from his checking account. Department Exhibit 1, pgs. 1-2.

- 4. On April 30, 2018, the Department Caseworker sent Petitioner a Health Care Coverage Determination Notice, DHS 1606, that he was not eligible due to failure to provide verification of checking bank account from June 1, 2018, ongoing. Department Exhibit 1, pgs. 3-6.
- 5. On May 30, 2018, the Department received a hearing request from Petitioner, contesting the Department's negative action.

#### 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, the Department stated that the required verification was received on May 29, 2018, of the current bank checking account statement. Petitioner's case was subsequently processed for MA and MCS 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 determined that Petitioner was not eligible for MA and MCS because he failed to provide the required written verification of a current checking bank account. When a current bank checking account statement was received on May 29, 2018, his case was subsequently processed.

#### DECISION AND ORDER

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

CF/dh

**Carmen G. Fahie** 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) 763-0155; Attention: MAHS Rehearing/Reconsideration Request.

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

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