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Date Mailed: March 27, 2019
MAHS Docket No.: 19-000091
Agency No.: ██████████
Petitioner: ██████████

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Kevin Scully

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. After due notice, telephone hearing was held on March 6, 2019, from Lansing, Michigan. Petitioner represented himself and his daughter ██████████ testified on his behalf. The Department was represented by Valorie Foley. Hiba Murray acted as a translator.

ISSUE

Did the Department of Health and Human Services (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. Petitioner applied for Medical Assistance (MA) on ██████████ ██████████ 2018.
2. Petitioner is a permanent resident alien having entered to country on or around November 11, 2014.
3. Petitioner was approved for Medical Assistance (MA) but for Emergency Services Only (ESO).
4. On January 2, 2019, the Department received Petitioner's request for a hearing.

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.

To be eligible for full MA coverage a person must be a U.S. citizen, or an alien admitted to the U.S. under a specific immigration status. A permanent resident alien is eligible for Emergency Services Only (ESO) after having been admitted for less than five years. Department of Health and Human Services Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM) 225 (July 1, 2017), pp 1-39.

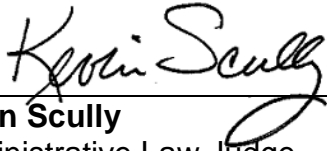
Petitioner applied for MA but has been admitted into the country as a permanent resident alien for less than five years. Therefore, Petitioner is not eligible for full Medicaid, but is only eligible for MA-ESO.

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 Petitioner's eligibility for Medical Assistance (MA) benefits.

DECISION AND ORDER

Accordingly, the Department's decision is AFFIRMED.

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Kevin Scully
Administrative Law Judge
for Robert Gordon, Director
Department of Health and Human Services

