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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS
MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING SYSTEM

SHELLY EDGERTON
DIRECTOR

December 17, 2018

[REDACTED]
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[REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]:

The Michigan Administrative Hearing System (MAHS) is in receipt of your letter received December 13, 2018 addressed to Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) [REDACTED] and referencing MAHS docket numbers 18-008595 and 18-011598 as well as the various emails sent to ALJ [REDACTED] between December 12, 2018 and December 16, 2018. The MAHS records show that a hearing decision was issued by ALJ [REDACTED] under docket no. 18-008595. In the decision, ALJ [REDACTED] affirmed the decision of the Department of Health and Human Services (Department). You requested a rehearing on that matter. Your rehearing request is currently pending before ALJ [REDACTED]

A review of the MAHS records for docket no. 18-011598 shows that, although the hearing was initially scheduled for December 10, 2018 and you timely arrived at the local Department office for the hearing, after your arrival the Department advised MAHS that it could not proceed with the hearing because you had a "zero-tolerance" status with the local office and were prohibited from entering the office. MAHS has no authority with respect to the Department's decision to issue a zero-tolerance letter. MAHS's authority is limited to addressing Department actions in terminating benefits, reducing benefits, or failing to process applications or changes affecting benefits. See Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM) 600 (October 2018), p. 5; Mich Admin Code, R 792.11002. However, to preserve your right to a hearing, MAHS is rescheduling the hearing to allow you to participate in the hearing from your home via telephone. You will receive written notice of the time and date for the new hearing. You should let MAHS know if your telephone number on the hearing notice needs to be changed. On the hearing date, MAHS will initiate the call to you, but you should call MAHS within 30 minutes of the scheduled hearing time if you have not received a call.

MAHS requests that you cease any further direct contact with any ALJs, either by mail or email. If you have concerns regarding the manner that you are treated by Department personnel, you may contact the Department's complaint line at (517) 373-0707.

Thank you for sharing your concerns with MAHS.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'ACE', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Alice C. Elkin
Administrative Law Manager
Benefit Services Division

cc: Lisa Gigliotti, Director
Michigan Administrative Hearing System,
Benefit Services Division

