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Date Mailed: August 6, 2019 MOAHR Docket No.: 19-006732 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 July 30, 2019, from Lansing, Michigan. Petitioner was represented by herself. The Department of Health and Human Services (Department) was represented by April Nemec, Hearing Facilitator.

ISSUE

Did the Department properly determine Petitioner's eligibility for Food Assistance Program (FAP), Medical Assistance (MA), and the Medical Savings Program (MSP)?

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 a recipient of FAP, MA, and MSP.
- 2. On April 24, 2019, the Department was alerted by Lottery to a crossmatch where Petitioner won \$1,000 on March 18, 2019. Department Exhibit 1, pgs. 12-14.
- 3. On April 24, 2019, the Department Caseworker sent Petitioner a Verification Checklist, DHS-3503, to provide verification of assets that was due May 6, 2019. Department Exhibit 1, pgs. 15-16.
- 4. On June 11, 2019, the Department Caseworker sent Petitioner a Notice of Case Action, DHS-1605, that her FAP case was closed effective July 1, 2019, for failure to provide verification. Department Exhibit 1, pgs. 26-29.

- 5. On June 11, 2019, the Department Caseworker sent Petitioner a Health Care Coverage Determination Notice, DHS-1606, that effective July 1, 2019, Petitioner was not eligible for MA and MSP due to excess income. Department Exhibit 1, pgs. 30-32.
- 6. On June 13, 2019, 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 Food Assistance Program (FAP) [formerly known as the Food Stamp program] is established by the Food and Nutrition Act of 2008, as amended, 7 USC 2011 to 2036a and is implemented by the federal regulations contained in 7 CFR 273. The Department (formerly known as the Department of Human Services) administers FAP pursuant to MCL 400.10, the Social Welfare Act, MCL 400.1-.119b, and Mich Admin Code, R 400.3001-.3011.

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 representative offered a stipulated settlement that was agreed to by the Petitioner due to the Department receiving the required verifications on June 3, 2019, before the case closure date of June 30, 2019. Department Exhibit 1, pgs. 18-25. As a result, the Department will redetermine Petitioner's eligibility for FAP, MA, and MSP retroactive to the date of closure of July 1, 2019.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge, based on the joint stipulation of the parties, **ORDERS** that the Department redetermines Petitioner's eligibility for FAP, MA, and MSP retroactive to July 1, 2019.

CF/hb

Carmen G. Fahie Administrative Law Judge for Robert Gordon, 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 Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules (MOAHR).

A party may request a rehearing or reconsideration of this Order if the request is received by MOAHR 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. MOAHR will not review any response to a request for rehearing/reconsideration.

A written request may be mailed or faxed to MOAHR. If submitted by fax, the written request must be faxed to (517) 763-0155; Attention: MOAHR Rehearing/Reconsideration Request.

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

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