GRETCHEN WHITMER GOVERNOR STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS MICHIGAN OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES

ORLENE HAWKS DIRECTOR



Date Mailed: March 8, 2021 MOAHR Docket No.: 20-007664 Agency No.: Petitioner:

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Landis Lain

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 February 23, 2021, from Lansing, Michigan. Petitioner appeared and testified. Petitioner was represented by her husband **Example 1** The Department of Health and Human Services (Department) was represented by Alice Mosely, Assistance Payments Worker.

Departments Exhibits 1-4 (pages 1-11) were admitted as evidence.

<u>ISSUE</u>

Did the Department properly pay to Petitioner the State Disability Assistance (SDA) program benefits she was entitled to?

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 is currently active for State Disability Assistance benefits and has received state benefits in accordance with a previous Administrative Law Judge's decision from June 1, 2018, to current without interruption.
- 2. Petitioner's case is due for a redetermination assessment.
- 3. On November 10, 2020, Petitioner filed a Request for Hearing regarding State Disability Assistance and Retroactive benefits.

4. On November 17, 2020, Petitioner was scheduled for a phone appointment so the caseworker could assist Petitioner with completing all medical forms, because Petitioner did not fil out all the medical review forms correctly.

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 State Disability Assistance (SDA) program is established by the Social Welfare Act, MCL 400.1-.119b. The Department of Health and Human Services (formerly known as the Department of Human Services) administers the SDA program pursuant to 42 CFR 435, MCL 400.10 and Mich Admin Code, R 400.3151-.3180.

In this case, Petitioner has received \$200.00 per month in State Disability Assistance Program benefits every month. She has received all the benefits she is entitled to in accordance with RFT 225 page 1.

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 paid Petitioner State disability Assistance program benefits. Petitioner conceded on the record that her benefits had been restored to her and that she is not missing any SDA benefits. The Department has established this case by a preponderance of the evidence.

DECISION AND ORDER

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

LL/hb

Administrative Law Judge for Elizabeth Hertel, 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:

Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules Reconsideration/Rehearing Request P.O. Box 30639 Lansing, Michigan 48909-8139

DHHS

Wayne County (District 57) via electronic mail

BSC4 via electronic mail

L. Karadsheh via electronic mail

Petitioner

