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Date Mailed: May 8, 2023
MOAHR Docket No.: 22-004242-RECON
Agency No.: [REDACTED]
Petitioner: OIG
Respondent: [REDACTED]

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Carmen G. Fahie

ORDER DENYING REQUEST FOR REHEARING/RECONSIDERATION

This matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) pursuant to the Request for Rehearing/Reconsideration by the Respondent of the Hearing Decision for Intentional Program Violation (Hearing Decision) issued by the undersigned at the conclusion of the hearing conducted on February 21, 2023, and mailed on March 13, 2023, in the above-captioned matter.

The rehearing and reconsideration process is governed by the Michigan Administrative Code, Rule 792.11015, *et seq.*, and applicable policy provisions articulated in the Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), specifically BAM 600, which provide that a rehearing or reconsideration must be filed in a timely manner consistent with the statutory requirements of the particular program that is the basis for the client's benefits application and **may** be granted so long as the reasons for which the request is made comply with the policy and statutory requirements. MCL 24.287 also provides for rehearing if the hearing record is inadequate for judicial review.

A rehearing is a full hearing which **may** be granted if either of the following applies:

- The original hearing record is inadequate for purposes of judicial review; or
- There is newly discovered evidence **that existed** at the time of the original hearing that could affect the outcome of the original hearing decision.

A reconsideration is a paper review of the facts, law or legal arguments and any newly discovered evidence that existed at the time of the hearing. It may be granted when the original hearing record is adequate for purposes of judicial review and a rehearing is not necessary, but one of the parties is able to demonstrate that the Administrative Law Judge failed to accurately address all the relevant issues raised in the hearing request. Reconsiderations **may** be granted if requested for one of the following reasons:

- Misapplication of manual policy or law in the hearing decision, which led to the wrong decision;

- Typographical errors, mathematical error, or other obvious errors in the hearing decision that affect the substantial rights of the petitioner; or
- Failure of the Administrative Law Judge to address other relevant issues in the hearing decision.

In the instant case, the ALJ issued a Hearing Decision in the above-captioned matter affirming the Department of Health and Human Services' decision finding that the Respondent committed an IPV by receiving concurrent Food Assistance Program (FAP) from Michigan and Texas resulting in an overissuance (OI) of FAP benefits in the amount of [REDACTED] that the Department is required to recoup.

In the [REDACTED] 2023, Request for Rehearing/Reconsideration, the Petitioner argues that she did not get a notice, but included the Hearing Decision that was mailed to the same address of [REDACTED] TX [REDACTED], and the Notice of Hearing was not returned as undeliverable by the United States Postal Service. The Respondent fails to articulate any basis through written documentation that would warrant the granting of a rehearing/reconsideration.

Accordingly, the Request for Rehearing/Reconsideration is DENIED.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

CF/tlf



Carmen G. Fahie
Administrative Law Judge

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.

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