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Date Mailed: December 6, 2023  
MOAHR Docket No.: 23-007654  
Agency No.: ██████████  
Petitioner: ██████████ ██████████

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Colleen Lack**

**ORDER OF DISMISSAL**  
**FOR LACK OF JURISDICTION**

Following Petitioner’s request for a hearing, this matter is before the undersigned Administrative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37, and 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; and Mich Admin Code, R 792.11002. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on December 5, 2023. ██████████ ██████████ the Petitioner, appeared on his own behalf. The Department of Health and Human Services (Department) was represented by Amber Gibson, Hearing Facilitator.

Regulations governing the hearing and appeal process for applicants and recipients of public assistance in Michigan are found in Mich Admin Code, R 792.10101 to R 792.10137 and R 792.11001 to R 792.11020. Rule 792.11002(1) provides as follows:

An opportunity for a hearing shall be granted to an applicant who requests a hearing because his or her claim for assistance is denied or is not acted upon with reasonable promptness, has received notice of a suspension or reduction in benefits, or exclusion from a service program, or has experienced a failure of the agency to take into account the recipient’s choice of service.

A client’s request for hearing must be in writing and signed by an adult member of the eligible group, adult child, or authorized hearing representative (AHR). Department of Health and Human Services Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM) 600 (March 1, 2021), p. 2. Moreover, BAM 600, p. 6 provides that a request for hearing must be received in the Department local office within 90 days of the date of the written notice of case action.

In the present case, Petitioner filed a hearing request on October ██████████ 2023 asserting that he has been trying to get Food Assistance Program (FAP) benefits for a year and has not received anything. The Department explained that at the time the hearing request was

filed, Petitioner had not applied for benefits in a year. Further, the last denial notice was sent November █ 2022.

Accordingly, at the time the October █ 2023 hearing request was filed, there had not been any failure to act on a claim for FAP. Further, the October 20, 2023 hearing request was not timely filed to contest the November 15, 2022 denial. Therefore, there is no jurisdiction to proceed with an administrative hearing at this time.

Petitioner's October █ 2023 hearing request is, therefore, **DISMISSED** for lack of jurisdiction.

**IT IS SO ORDERED.**

CL/dm

  
Colleen Lack  
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 (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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