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# STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LICENSING AND REGULATORY AFFAIRS MICHIGAN OFFICE OF ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS AND RULES

MARLON BROWN DIRECTOR



Date Mailed: June 25, 2024 MOAHR Docket No.: 24-002776

Agency No.: Petitioner:

## **ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Aaron McClintic**

#### **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 April 25, 2024, from Lansing, Michigan. The matter was continued until June 4, 2024, because the Department representative was dropped from the call. The Petitioner was represented by her Authorized Representative . The Department of Health and Human Services (Department) was represented by AJ Evans. Department Exhibit 1, pp. 1-11 was received.

## **ISSUE**

Did the Department properly determine Petitioner's Medical Assistance (MA) eligibility?

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

The Administrative Law Judge, based on the competent, material, and substantial evidence on the whole record, finds as material fact:

- 1. On November 7, 2023, a Health Care Coverage Determination Notice was sent to Petitioner informing her that she was denied for the Medicare Savings Program and she and other household members were denied for MA for failing to verify self-employment income, assets, and medical expenses.
- 2. On March 6, 2024, Petitioner requested a hearing to raise issues with regard to the MA application being processed.
- 3. At the time of the continued hearing, Petitioner was approved for MA with a \$703 deductible and Medicare Cost Share going back to October 2023 and her children were approved for MA.
- 4. Petitioner's Authorized Representative did not appear at the continued hearing.

5. Petitioner receives \$ per month in social security income.

# **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 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, at the time of the continued hearing, Petitioner was approved for MA with a \$703 deductible and Medicare Cost Share going back to October 2023 and her children were approved for MA. Those approvals were based on Petitioner's \$ per month in social security income.

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 determined Petitioner's MA eligibility.

#### **DECISION AND ORDER**

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

AM/cc

**Aaron McClintic** 

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.

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Petitioner

