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Docket No.: 25-009858

Case No.: [REDACTED]

Petitioner: [REDACTED]

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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; 45 CFR 99.1 to 99.33; and 45 CFR 205.10; and Mich Admin Code, R 792.11002. After due notice, a hearing was held via telephone conference on April 3, 2025. Petitioner appeared and was unrepresented. The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS or Department) was represented by Jennifer Richard, Hearing Facilitator. Department Exhibit 1, pp. 1-30 was received and admitted.

ISSUE

Did the Department properly deny Petitioner's State Disability Assistance (SDA) application because she failed to submit required documents?

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 [REDACTED] 2025, Petitioner applied for SDA.
2. On January [REDACTED] 2025, a Medical Review Team Determination Verification Checklist was sent to Petitioner requesting verifications needed to verify disability.
3. On February [REDACTED] 2025, Petitioner applied for Social Security Disability but not SSI.

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4. On February █ 2025, a Notice of Case Action was sent to Petitioner informing her that her SDA application was denied because she failed to submit required documentation.
 5. On March 3, 2025, Petitioner requested hearing disputing the denial of SDA.

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.

Timeliness of Verifications FIP, SDA, RCA, Child Development and Care (CDC), FAP
Allow the client 10 calendar days (or other time limit specified in policy) to provide the verification that is requested. *** Verifications are considered to be timely if received by the date they are due. For electronically transmitted verifications (fax, email or Mi Bridges document upload), the date of the transmission is the receipt date. Verifications that are submitted after the close of regular business hours through the drop box or by delivery of a MDHHS representative are considered to be received the next business day. Send a negative action notice when: • The client indicates refusal to provide a verification, or • The time period given has elapsed and the client has not made a reasonable effort to provide it. BAM 130

In this case, on January █ 2025, a Medical Review Team Determination Verification Checklist was sent to Petitioner requesting verifications needed to verify disability including proof of SSI application. Petitioner applied for Social Security Disability but not SSI on February 12, 2025. Petitioner did not provide proof that she had applied for SSI and her application was denied on February 20, 2025. That denial was proper and correct and consistent with Department policy. BAM 130.

DECISION AND ORDER

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 denied Petitioner's SDA application for failing to verify that she had applied for SSI.

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

Aaron McClintic

AARON MCCLINTIC
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

APPEAL RIGHTS: Petitioner may appeal this Hearing Decision to the circuit court. Rules for appeals to the circuit court can be found in the Michigan Court Rules (MCR), including MCR 7.101 to MCR 7.123, available at the Michigan Courts website at courts.michigan.gov. The Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules (MOAHR) cannot provide legal advice, but assistance may be available through the State Bar of Michigan at <https://lrs.michbar.org> or Michigan Legal Help at <https://michiganlegalhelp.org>. A copy of the circuit court appeal should be sent to MOAHR. A circuit court appeal may result in a reversal of the Hearing Decision.

Either party who disagrees with this Hearing Decision may also send a written request for a rehearing and/or reconsideration to MOAHR within 30 days of the mailing date of this Hearing Decision. The request should include Petitioner's name, the docket number from page 1 of this Hearing Decision, an explanation of the specific reasons for the request, and any documents supporting the request. The request should be sent to MOAHR

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