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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 October 9, 2025. Petitioner appeared and was represented by [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS or Department) was represented by Becky Fraser, AP Supervisor. Department Exhibit 1, pp. 1-18 was received and admitted.

ISSUE

Did the Department properly close Petitioner's State SSI Payment (SSP) and Terminated SSI Medicaid because she is no longer receiving SSI?

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 June [REDACTED] 2025, an SSI Terminated Medicaid Coverage notice was sent to Petitioner informing her that she needed to apply for Medicaid and be considered for other Medicaid programs.
2. On July [REDACTED] 2025, a Health Care Coverage Determination Notice was sent to Petitioner informing her that her SSI Terminated Medicaid would be closing effective September 1, 2025.
3. On August [REDACTED] 2025, Notice of State SSI Payment change was sent to Petitioner informing her that her SSP payment was ending because she was no longer receiving SSI.
4. On August 28, 2025, Petitioner requested hearing disputing the closure of MA and SSP.
5. Petitioner acknowledged at hearing that she got married and her SSI ended.

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.

The State SSI Payments (SSP) program is established by 20 CFR 416.2001-.2099 and the Social Security Act, 42 USC 1382e. The Department administers the program pursuant to MCL 400.10.

SSI TERMINATIONS

When SSI benefits stop, central office evaluates the reason based on SSA's negative action code, then does one of the following: • SSI Closure. MA-SSI is closed in Bridges if SSI stopped for a reason that prevents continued MA eligibility (for example, death, moved out of state). Bridges sends the recipient a DHS1605. • Transfer to MA-Terminated SSI Medicaid. SSI cases not closed due to the policy above are transferred to the MA Termination SSI Medicaid Type of Assistance. BEM 150

State SSI Payment

The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) issues the State SSI Payment (SSP) to SSI recipients in the following living arrangements: • Independent living. • Household of another. (Living in the household of another person and receiving partial or total support and maintenance in kind from that person.) Note: For payment levels see RFT 248 Reference Tables. Payments are made for only those months the recipient received a regular first of the month federal benefit. BEM 660 (October 2021)

In this case, Petitioner acknowledged at hearing that she got married and her SSI ended. Policy dictates that if someone stops receiving SSI then they are no longer eligible for SSP. BME 660 Therefore, the Department closure of SSP was proper and correct and consistent with Department policy. With regard to MA-Terminated SSI, the Department was correct to transfer Petitioner's SSI Medicaid to MA Terminated SSI. BEM 150 Petitioner received MA Terminated SSI for 3 months and was given notice that she should apply for MA. The Department did not receive a new application and Petitioner's MA closed, and that closure was consistent with Department policy.

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 closed Petitioner's SSP payment and Terminated SSI MA because Petitioner was no longer receiving SSI.

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

Aaron McClintic
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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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- by fax at (517) 763-0155, **OR**
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