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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 January 28, 2026. Petitioner appeared and was represented by [REDACTED] [REDACTED] Authorized Hearing Representative (AHR). The Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS or Department) was represented by Brandy Brown, Eligibility Specialist.

ISSUE

Did the Department properly close Petitioner's State SSI Payments (SSP) case?

FINDINGS OF FACT

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

1. Petitioner was an ongoing recipient of federal Supplemental Security Income (SSI) benefits.
2. In connection with his federal SSI benefits, Petitioner received a quarterly SSP benefit from the Department.
3. Petitioner resides with AHR.
4. Petitioner is married.
5. On September [REDACTED] 2025, the Department issued an SSP payment to Petitioner for \$[REDACTED] for the period covering July 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025.
6. On or about October 31, 2025, Petitioner received his last SSI payment from the Social Security Administration (SSA).
7. On November [REDACTED] 2025, the Department sent Petitioner a Notice of State SSI Payment Change (Notice) that informed Petitioner his SSP payment was cancelled because Petitioner was no longer eligible for SSI and his last SSP payment was scheduled for December 2025. Exhibit A, pp. 6-7.

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8. On November █ 2025, the Department received Petitioner's request for hearing that disputed the cancellation of his SSP benefit. Exhibit A, pp. 3-4.
 9. On December 10, 2025, the Department issued a final SSP payment to Petitioner for \$█ for the period covering October 1, 2025 to November 30, 2025.
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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 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.

In this case, Petitioner disputed the cancellation of his SSP benefits. The Department explained that it ended Petitioner's SSP benefits because the Department was notified by the SSA that Petitioner was no longer eligible for SSI.

SSP is a quarterly payment paid by the State to eligible SSI recipients the last month of each quarter. BEM 660 (October 2021), pp. 1-2. SSP payments are made for only those months the SSI recipient received a regular first of the month federal benefit. BEM 660, p. 1; BAM 600 (March 2021), p. 31. Department policy specifies that these SSI payments are shown on the client's State Online Query (SOLQ) report as a "**recurring payment dated the first of the month.**" BEM 660, p. 1; BAM 600, p. 31 (emphasis in original).

At the hearing, the Department explained that Petitioner's SSP benefits were cancelled because the Department received notification from SSA that Petitioner was no longer eligible for SSI. The Department issued a final SSP payment to Petitioner on December █ 2025 which covered October 2025, the last month Petitioner received an SSI payment. During the hearing, the Department ran and reviewed the SOLQ and testified that the SOLQ showed no SSI payments issued to Petitioner. AHR testified that Petitioner's SSI payments ended and the last SSI payment he received was on or about October 31, 2025. While it is unclear why the SOLQ reflected no SSI payments to Petitioner, because AHR confirmed that Petitioner did not receive SSI payments after October 31, 2025, under Department policy, Petitioner was no longer eligible for an SSP payment. Therefore, the Department properly cancelled Petitioner's SSP benefits.

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 case.

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DECISION AND ORDER

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



JULIA NORTON
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://srs.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.

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