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FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 9569-14 F.V.

AGENCY DKT. NO. C195967 (HUDSON COUNTY DEPT OF FAM SVCS)

Petitioner appeals from the Respondent Agency's action seeking recoupment of alleged Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ("SNAP"), f/k/a the Food Stamp Program, and Work First New Jersey/Temporary Assistance for Needy Families ("WFNJ/TANF") benefits over-issuances. The Agency asserts that Petitioner received SNAP and WFNJ/TANF benefits for 3 children which were, at the same time, claimed by the children's father as dependents on his income tax return, thereby resulting in an over-issuance of benefits to Petitioner. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On October 28, 2014, the Honorable Kimberly A. Moss, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a plenary hearing, took testimony and admitted documents into evidence.

On October 29, 2014, the ALJ issued her Initial Decision affirming the Agency's determination.

No Exceptions to the Initial Decision were filed.

As the Director of the Division of Family Development, Department of Human Services, I have considered the ALJ's Initial Decision and following an independent review of the record, I concur with the ALJ's Initial Decision and hereby adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law in this matter.

Accordingly, the Initial Decision in this matter is hereby ADOPTED and the Agency's determination is AFFIRMED.

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