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FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 6740-14 R.M.

AGENCY DKT. NO. GA134076 (CUMBERLAND COUNTY BD OF SOC SVCS.)

Petitioner appeals from the Respondent Agency's termination of "Emergency Assistance ("EA") benefits. The Agency terminated Petitioner's EA benefits because she violated the terms of her EA service plan. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On June 24, 2014, the Honorable Bruce M. Gorman, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a plenary hearing, took testimony, and admitted documents. On July 8, 2014, the ALJ issued his 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 decision and hereby adopt the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law in this matter.

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

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