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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 14739-17 M.C.

AGENCY DKT. NO. C193120016 (PASSAIC COUNTY BOARD OF SOC. SVCS.)

Petitioner appeals from Respondent Agency's termination of Work First New Jersey/General Assistance ("WFNJ/GA") and Emergency Assistance ("EA") benefits. The Agency terminated Petitioner's WFNJ/GA benefits because she had exhausted her lifetime limit of said benefits, and terminated Petitioner's EA benefits because she was no longer a WFNJ/GA benefits recipient, or a Supplemental Security Income ("SSI") recipient. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law ("OAL") for a hearing. Petitioner's cases, under OAL Docket Numbers HPW 14558-17 and HPW 14739-17, respectively, were consolidated. On November 30, 2017, the Honorable Jude-Anthony Tiscornia, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a plenary hearing, took testimony, and admitted documents. On December 5, 2017, the ALJ issued an Initial Decision, reversing the Agency's determination.

This office has been advised that the Agency is rescinding its termination of Petitioner's WFNJ/GA and EA benefits. Therefore, as the Director of the Division of Family Development, Department of Human Services, I hereby ORDER and DIRECT the Agency to provide Petitioner with WFNJ/GA and EA benefits. Further, I find that these matters have now been rendered moot, and I therefore DISMISS Petitioner's appeals.

Accordingly, Petitioner's appeals now being deemed moot, the matter is hereby DISMISSED.

Officially approved final version.

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Natasha Johnson
Director

