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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
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J.L.,

PETITIONER,

**ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION** 

V.

**FINAL AGENCY DECISION** 

AMERIGROUP.

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 12466-2018

RESPONDENT.

As Director of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, I have reviewed the record in this case, including the OAL case file and the Initial Decision approving the Settlement Agreement reached by the parties. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Decision is November 19, 2018, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-10 which requires an Agency Head to adopt, reject, or modify the Initial Decision within 45 days of receipt. The Initial Decision was received on October 5, 2018.

This matter arises from the reduction by Respondent Amerigroup of Petitioner J.L.'s Personal Care Assistance (PCA) services. The parties entered into a settlement whereby the parties agreed that Petitioner will receive forty hours per week of PCA services until the next re-assessment unless Petitioner requires reassessment sooner. By Initial Decision dated

September 26, 2018, the ALJ approved the Settlement Agreement because it was consistent with the law, fully disposed of all issues in controversy and was voluntarily entered into by both parties in accordance with N.J.A.C. 1:11-19.1.

Based on my review of the record, I concur with the ALJ's findings and hereby ADOPT the Settlement Agreement.

THEREFORE, it is on this day of NOVEMBER 2018,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision affirming the Settlement Agreement in this matter is hereby ADOPTED.

Meghan Davey, Director

Division of Medical Assistance

and Health Services