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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE  
AND HEALTH SERVICES**

A.B.,

PETITIONER,

v.

AMERIGROUP,

RESPONDENT.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION**

**FINAL AGENCY DECISION**

**OAL DKT. NO. HMA 16741-18**

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 April 1, 2019, 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 February 14, 2019.

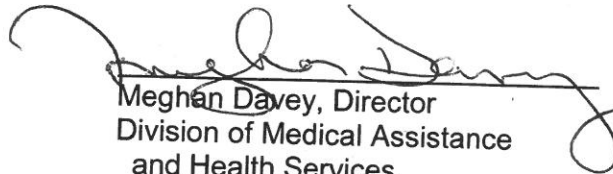
This matter arises from a reduction in the number of personal preference hours provided to Petitioner. The parties entered into a settlement on the record whereby Respondent agreed to provide Petitioner with a mutually agreed upon number of personal preference hours per week. Respondent will continue to provide petitioner with those hours until Petitioner's next reassessment or a change in Petitioner's circumstances. By Initial Decision dated February 14, 2019, 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 2<sup>nd</sup> day of MARCH 2019,

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