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

C.L.,

| HORIZON, | PETITIONER, | ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION     |
|----------|-------------|---------------------------|
|          | V.          | FINAL AGENCY DECISION     |
| HORIZON, |             | OAL DKT. NO. HMA 15491-18 |
|          | RESPONDENT. |                           |

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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 January 24, 2019, in accordance with <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 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 December 10, 2018.

This matter arises from Respondent's reduction in the number of Personal Care Assistant (PCA) service hours provided to Petitioner. The parties entered into a settlement on the record whereby Respondent agreed to continue providing Petitioner with the current level of PCA service hours until Petitioner's next scheduled PCA assessment or until an

PHILIP D. MURPHY Governor

SHEILA Y. OLIVER Lt. Governor MLTSS referral and assessment have been completed.

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 <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 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  $0^{1/2}$  day of JANUARY 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