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

C.R.

PETITIONER,

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ESSEX COUNTY BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION FINAL AGENCY DECISION OAL DKT. NO. HMA 02589-19

RESPONDENTS.

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 June 23, 2019, in accordance with an Order of Extension. The Initial Decision was received on March 25, 2019.

This matter arises from the Essex County Board of Social Services' (ECBSS) denial of Medicaid eligibility. At issue is the source and amount of Petitioner's resources. However, at the scheduled March 19, 2019 OAL hearing, the parties entered a settlement on the record whereby ECBSS restored Petitioner's Medicaid

benefits as a result of the evidence presented by Petitioner that her resources did not exceed the \$4,000 limit for an individual.

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. 1:1-19.1.

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 MAY 2019,

ORDERED:

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

Meghan Davey, Director Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services