

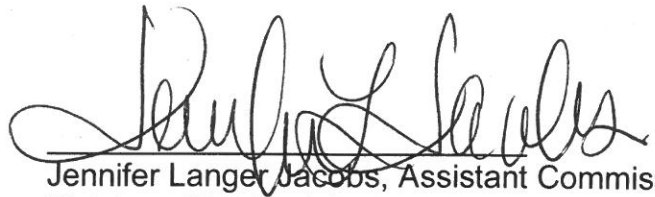


issue here is whether the Petitioner provided the necessary verifications for the MCBSS to make an eligibility determination regarding Petitioner's July 2018 application. For all intents and purposes, MCBSS held Petitioner's July 2018 application open pending the receipt of additional information ultimately received in January 2019. As a result, her eligibility would be determined as of the date of the application with any retroactive benefits beginning three months therefrom. I agree with the ALJ that the unique facts and circumstances presented here show that Petitioner was eligible for Medicaid benefits beginning April 1, 2018.

THEREFORE, it is on this *20<sup>th</sup>* day of SEPTEMBER, 2019,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision is hereby ADOPTED.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Langer Jacobs", is written over a horizontal line.

Jennifer Langer Jacobs, Assistant Commissioner  
Division of Medical Assistance  
and Health Services