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M.P.,

PETITIONER,

V. ·

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE:

AND HEALTH SERVICES AND

ESSEX COUNTY BOARD

OF SOCIAL SERVICES,

RESPONDENTS.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 16621-2018

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 Settlement. No Exceptions were filed. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Decision is January 28, 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 December 14, 2018.

This matter arises from the termination of Petitioner M.P.'s Medicaid benefits by Respondent Essex County because of Petitioner's failure to complete a redetermination of Medicaid eligibility. On the scheduled hearing date, the parties agreed to settle the matter; Petitioner will reapply for benefits. By Initial Decision dated December 12, 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 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