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

N.M.,

PETITIONER,	: ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
V.	FINAL AGENCY DECISION
MONMOUTH COUNTY	OAL DKT. NO. HMA 02459-19
DIVISION OF SOCIAL SERVICES,	
RESPONDENTS.	

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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 Initial Decision and the documents in evidence. Neither Party filed exceptions. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Agency Decision in this matter is May 20, 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 in this matter was received on April 4, 2019.

Based upon my review of the record, I hereby adopt the findings and conclusions of the Administrative Law Judge in their entirety and I incorporate the same

herein by reference. This matter concerns the February 7, 2019 denial of Petitioner's application due to the failure to provide requested verifications. The issue presented here is whether Petitioner provided the necessary verifications for the Monmouth County Division of Social Services (MCDSS) to make an eligibility determination. In an attempt to determine Petitioner's eligibility in connection with her September 20, 2018 Medicaid application, MCDSS issued requests for information on October 5, 2018, December 11, 2018, and January 18, 2019. The credible evidence in the record demonstrates that Petitioner failed to provide the requested information prior to the February 7, 2019 denial of benefits. Without this information, MCDSS was unable to complete its eligibility determination and the denial was appropriate.

Based on my review of the record, I concur with the ALJ's findings and hereby ADOPT the Initial Decision.

THEREFORE, it is on this \bigvee^{1} day of MAY 2019,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision is hereby ADOPTED.

Meghan Davey, Director

Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services