

State of New Jersey Department of Human Services Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services P.O. BOX 712 TRENTON NJ 08625-0712

PHILIP D. MURPHY Governor

> Sheila Y. Oliver Lt. Governor

Carole Johnson Commissioner

Meghan Davey Director

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

S.M.,

PETITIONER,	:	ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
ν.	:	FINAL AGENCY DECISION
MORRIS COUNTY OFFICE OF	:	OAL DKT. NO. HMA 17016-18
TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE,	:	
RESPONDENTS.	:	

:

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 March 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 in this matter was received on December 3, 2018.

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 October 16, 2018 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 Morris County to make an eligibility determination. In an attempt to determine Petitioner's eligibility in connection with her June 25, 2018 Medicaid application, Morris County issued requests for information on August 8 and August 29, 2018. The credible evidence in the record demonstrates that Petitioner failed to provide the requested information prior to the October 16, 2018 denial of benefits. Without this information, Morris County 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 \mathcal{F}^{1} day of FEBRUARY 2019, ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision is hereby ADOPTED.

Meghan Davey, Director

Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services