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R.W.,
PETITIONER,
v.
AMERIGROUP,
RESPONDENT.
ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
FINAL AGENCY DECISION
OAL DKT. NO. HMA 11970-19

As Assistant Commissioner 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 March 23, 2020, 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 February 7, 2020.

This matter arises from a reduction in the number of personal care assistance hours provided to Petitioner. The parties entered into a settlement on the record whereby Respondent agreed to provide Petitioner with a mutually agreed upon number of personal care hours per week. Respondent will continue to provide Petitioner with those hours until Petitioner's next reassessment or a change in Petitioner's circumstances. By Initial Decision dated February 4, 2020, 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 ^{7th} day of MARCH 2020,

ORDERED:

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

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jennifer Langer Jacobs", with a horizontal line extending to the right.

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