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

E.F.,

PETITIONER,

V.

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE :
AND HEALTH SERVICES AND :
MONMOUTH COUNTY DIVISION OF :
SOCIAL SERVICES, :

RESPONDENTS.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 11102-20

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 dismissing the case with prejudice. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Decision is September 10, 2021, in accordance in accordance with the 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 July 27, 2021. This matter arises from Monmouth County Division of Social Services' (MCDSS) denial of Petitioner's Medicaid eligibility based on Petitioner's failure to provide

any evidence or documentation necessary to determine eligibility.

After three (3) adjournments at the request of Petitioner, a fair hearing took place on July 9, 2021. Although Petitioner's application was completed by E.F. with the assistance of Yossi Zweig, her Designated Authorized Representative (DAR), neither Petitioner nor her DAR appeared or testified at the hearing.

By Initial Decision dated July 27, 2021, the ALJ affirmed the denial of eligibility by the MCDSS, and dismissed Petitioner's appeal. Petitioner failed to provide the requested verifications, including the source of the pension she listed on the application.

Based on my review of the record, I concur with the ALJ's findings.

THEREFORE, it is on this 7th day of SEPTEMBER 2021,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision affirming the denial of Petitioner's eligibility and dismissing the fair hearing in this matter is hereby ADOPTED.

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