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F.D.,

PETITIONER.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

: FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 10546-14

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DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

AND HEALTH SERVICES AND

GLOUCESTER COUNTY BOARD OF

SOCIAL SERVICES.

RESPONDENTS.

As Director of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, I have reviewed the record in this matter, consisting of the Initial Decision, the documents in evidence and the entire contents of the OAL case file. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Agency Decision is December 15, 2014, 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 the agency's receipt. The Initial Decision was received on October 31, 2014.

Based upon my review of the record, I hereby ADOPT the Initial Decision. The credible evidence in this record indicates that there was an ongoing exchange of information between Petitioner's son and the County prior to the denial and that Petitioner's son made a good faith effort to produce the requested verification and, in fact, provided the needed information soon after the denial was issued. Since all of the necessary information has been provided and due to the unique facts and circumstances presented here, I agree with the ALJ that Gloucester County re-evaluate Petitioner's eligibility as of the October 4, 2013 application date.

THEREFORE, it is on this Who day of December 2014, ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision REVERSING the denial of Medicaid benefits and RETURNING the matter to the Gloucester County Board of Social Services for a re-evaluation of Petitioner's Medicaid eligibility is hereby ADOPTED as the Final Decision in this matter.

Valerie J. Harr, Director

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and Health Services