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

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PETITIONERS, v. DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 3372-15

AND HEALTH SERVICES,

## RESPONDENT.

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 contents of the OAL case file. No exceptions to the Initial Decision were filed. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to render a Final Agency Decision is August 10, 2015 in accordance with <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 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 June 25, 2015.

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Based upon my review of the record, I hereby ADOPT the Initial Decision in its entirety and incorporate the same herein by reference.

Pursuant to <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 10:69-5.13(a), AFDC-related Medicaid families shall be provided extended Medicaid benefits for a period of twenty-four months beginning with the month in which the family no longer otherwise would have been eligible for AFDC-related Medicaid due to an increase in income. Petitioner was granted a twenty-four month Medicaid extension as a resident of Burlington County from April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2016. When she moved to Camden County, her case was transferred with a continuation of benefits. <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 10:69-5.13(b); <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 10:69-3.27(b). Upon review of her application, Camden County Board of Social Services (CCBSS) discovered that due to an increase in the household's earned income, Petitioner became ineligible for AFDC-related Medicaid in June 2013 rather than April 1, 2014. Thus Petitioner's Medicaid extension should run from June 2013 to May 31, 2015.

Petitioner may reapply for benefits should the household income go below the limit necessary to qualify for AFDC-related Medicaid benefits. <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 10:69-10.3. THEREFORE, it is on this  $\int_{0}^{1} day$  of AUGUST 2015,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision affirming the termination of benefits is hereby ADOPTED as the Final Decision in this matter.

Valerie J. Harr, Director Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services