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AND HEALTH SERVICES

M.S.,	:	
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PETITIONER,	:	ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
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v.	:	FINAL AGENCY DECISION
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	:	OAL DKT. NO. HMA 15283-14
DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE	:	
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AND HEALTH SERVICES AND	:	
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CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD	:	
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OF SOCIAL SERVICES,	:	
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RESPONDENTS.	:	

As Director 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 Agency Decision is March 16, 2015 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 January 28, 2015.

This matter arises from the denial of eligibility for failure to provide requested verification. However, at the scheduled OAL hearing, Petitioner was advised that she was in fact eligible and that the denial letter was issued with respect to her husband's benefits. Thereafter, the parties entered into a Settlement Agreement confirming that Petitioner is currently eligible and that her husband is also receiving benefits under Medicaid Expansion.

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. 1:1-19.1.

Based upon my review of the record, I agree with the ALJ's conclusions and ADOPT the Settlement Agreement as based upon substantial credible evidence and consistent with applicable law.

THEREFORE, it is on this *27<sup>th</sup>* day of February 2015,

ORDERED:

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



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