

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 June 8, 2015.

I hereby ADOPT the Initial Decision affirming the denial of Medicaid eligibility. The undisputed evidence in the record indicates that Petitioner's monthly income exceeds the maximum income limit for the Medicaid Program for a household of one. There is simply no authority that permits the relaxation or waiver of the income limits in any individual case. However, I suggest that Petitioner apply for coverage through the Health Insurance Marketplace at www.healthcare.gov or by calling 1-800-318-2596.

Of course, if Petitioner's financial circumstances change, he may reapply for benefits.

THEREFORE, it is on this 1st day of July 2015,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision AFFIRMING the denial of Medicaid benefits based upon excess income is hereby ADOPTED.



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