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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
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A.F.,

PETITIONER,

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DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

AND HEALTH SERVICES AND

MIDDLESEX COUNTY BOARD OF

SOCIAL SERVICES,

RESPONDENTS.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION** 

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 9620-2016

As Director of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, I have reviewed the record in this case, including the Initial Decision, the OAL case file and the documents filed below. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Decision is November 17, 2016 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 October 3, 2016.

The matter arises regarding the termination of Petitioner's Medicaid benefits.

Petitioner was also terminated from programs administered by the Division of Family

Development. The terminations were heard together as the facts are the same for both matters. Petitioner had been receiving benefits from General Assistance, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program and Work First New Jersey. The last program entitled Petitioner to receive Medicaid benefits. Middlesex County received information regarding Petitioner's utility bills that were titled in the name of "T.'s Auto Enterprise" located at Petitioner's home address. An investigation with the New Jersey Department of Treasury showed that Petitioner had a business in his name. Petitioner failed to provide information regarding the business or its dissolution and he was terminated from the benefit programs.

The Initial Decision held that Petitioner had failed to provide adequate information regarding the current status of the business. While a document Petitioner provided lists another person as the registered agent, that document does not demonstrate that he is not a principal in the business nor does it explain why the company's name is listed on his utility bill. Compare R-3 with R-4 and R-11. Based on my review of the record, I concur with the Initial Decision. If Petitioner wishes to provide competent evidence surrounding the ownership of the business, he may reapply for benefits.

THEREFORE, it is on this day of NOVEMBER 2016,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision is hereby ADOPTED.

Meghan Bavey, Director

Division of Medical Assistance

and Health Services