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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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J.J.,

PETITIONER,

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 11521-16

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HORIZON NJ HEALTH,

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 OAL case file and the documents in evidence. No exceptions to the Initial Decision were filed. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Agency Decision is February 10, 2017, in accordance with an Order of Extension. The Initial Decision was received on November 9, 2016.

I hereby ADOPT the Initial Decision affirming the denial of prior authorization for pulsed radio-frequency ablation.

The credible evidence in the record shows that the requested procedure is experimental or investigative. As a result, the ALJ concluded that procedure is not medically necessary in accordance with <u>N.J.A.C</u>. 10:74-1.4. Based upon my review of the record, I agree with the ALJ's conclusion.

THEREFORE, it is on this 13th day of January 2017,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision AFFIRMING the denial of authorization for pulsed radio-frequency ablation is hereby ADOPTED as the Final Decision in this matter.

Meghan Davey, Director O Division of Medical Assistance

and Health Services