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J.P.,

PETITIONER.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

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OAL DKT. NO. HMA 00338-17

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

AND HEALTH SERVICES AND

BERGEN COUNTY BOARD OF

SOCIAL SERVICES,

RESPONDENTS.

As Director of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, I have reviewed the record in this matter, consisting of the case file, the documents in evidence, the Initial Decision and Petitioner's Exceptions to the Initial Decision. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Agency Decision is April 24, 2017, 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 the agency's receipt. The Initial Decision was received on March 9, 2017.

I hereby ADOPT the Initial Decision affirming the denial of New Jersey Care Medicaid benefits. The undisputed evidence in the record indicates that Petitioner's monthly income exceeds the maximum income limit under this program. There is simply no authority that permits the relaxation or waiver of the income limits in any individual case.

However, if Petitioner needs assistance with his prescription costs, I suggest he apply for the Pharmaceutical Assistance to the Aged and Disabled (PAAD) program. Petitioner may also be eligible for assistance with prescription costs through the Rx4NJ program. For more information about this program, I suggest he call 1-888-793-6765 or access their website at www.rx4NJ.org.

THEREFORE, it is on this Hay of April 2017,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision affirming the denial of Medicaid eligibility based upon excess income is hereby ADOPTED as the Final Decision in this matter.

Meghan Davey, Director

Division of Medical Assistance

and Health Services