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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
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E.S.,

PETITIONER.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION** 

**FINAL AGENCY DECISION** 

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OAL DKT. NO. HMA 13383-17

CAMDEN 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 Initial Decision, the documents in evidence and the contents of the OAL case file. Respondent filed exceptions to the Initial Decision. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to render a Final Agency Decision is January 21, 2018 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 October 24, 2017.

Based upon my review of the record, I hereby ADOPT the recommended decision of the Administrative Law Judge in its entirety and incorporate the same herein by reference. This matter arises from the Medicaid eligibility date. Petitioner has been residing in Brookdale, an Assisted Living Facility (ALF). The credible evidence in the record demonstrates that Petitioner did not submit the required PA-4 until she filed her second Medicaid application on May 22, 2017, and the ALF did not request a clinical eligibility determination until June 29, 2017. Only after this information was submitted, was the CCBSS able to begin its clinical eligibility determination. Consequently, OCCO was not able to conduct its assessment until July 2017 resulting in an eligibility date of July 1, 2017.

THEREFORE, it is on this Adday of MARCH 2018,

ORDERED:

That the Initial is hereby ADOPTED.

Meghan Davey, Director

Division of Medical Assistance

and Health Services