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STATE OF NEW JERSEY **DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE** AND HEALTH SERVICES

G.D.,

PETITIONER.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 00423-18

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DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

AND HEALTH SERVICES &

ESSEX COUNTY BOARD OF

SOCIAL SERVICES,

RESPONDENTS.

As Director of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, I have reviewed the record in this case, including the OAL case file and the Initial Decision approving the Settlement Agreement reached by the parties. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Decision is October 4, 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 receipt. The Initial Decision was received on August 16, 2018.

This matter arises from the Essex County Board of Social Services' (ECBSS) December 14, 2017 statement of available income for Medicaid payment. However, at the scheduled OAL hearing, the parties entered into a settlement on the record whereby the Parties agreed to a recalculation of Petitioner's available income based on the additional documentation provided. The ALJ approved the Settlement Agreement because it was consistent with the law, fully disposed of all issues in controversy and was voluntarily entered into by both parties, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 1:1-19.1.

Based on my review of the record, I concur with the ALJ's findings and hereby ADOPT the Settlement Agreement.

THEREFORE, it is on this 2 day of SEPTEMBER, 2018,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision affirming the terms of the Settlement in this matter is hereby ADOPTED.

Meghan Davey, Director

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