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H.P.,

PETITIONER.

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DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE:

AND HEALTH SERVICES AND

PASSAIC COUNTY BOARD OF

SOCIAL SERVICES,

RESPONDENTS.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 04395-18

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 June 15, 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 May 12, 2018.

This matter arises from Passaic County Board of Social Services' assessment of a transfer penalty in determining the date of Petitioner's eligibility for Medicaid. The parties entered into a settlement on the record whereby Petitioner's transfer penalty was

reduced after Petitioner established that the resources at issue were not transferred, but used to make home improvements. By Initial Decision dated April 25, 2018, 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. 1:11-19.1.

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

THEREFORE, it is on this day of JUNE 2018,

ORDERED:

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

Meghan Davey, Director

Division of Medical Assistance

and Health Services