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

J.K.,

PETITIONER,

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

V.

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 01157-18

AND HEALTH SERVICES AND

BURLINGTON 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 Initial Decision and the documents in evidence. Neither party filed exceptions. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Agency Decision in this matter is May 17, 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 in this matter was received on April 1, 2018.

Based upon my review of the record, I hereby ADOPT the Initial Decision in its entirety and incorporate the same herein by reference. This matter concerns the December 27, 2017 termination of Petitioner's Medicaid benefits due to the failure to provide documentation in connection with her recertification. The only issue presented here is whether Petitioner provided the necessary verification for the Burlington County Board of Social Services (BCBSS) to make an eligibility determination.

On September 26, 2017, Petitioner filed her New Jersey Family Care recertification with the BCBSS. On November 28, 2017, BCBSS sent out a request for documentation relating to the father of one of her children, documentation of citizenship and photo identification. Petitioner acknowledged receipt of the request and asserted that she hand delivered said documentation to the BCBSS on December 1, 2017. There is no evidence in the record to support Petitioner's assertion. The credible evidence in the record demonstrates that Petitioner failed to provide the needed information prior to the December 27, 2017 denial of benefits. Without this information, the County was unable to complete its eligibility determination and the denial was appropriate.

THEREFORE, it is on this 7 Hay of MAY 2018,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision is hereby ADOPTED.

Meghan Davey, Director
Division of Medical Assistance
and Health Services