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PETITIONER.

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE: AND HEALTH SERVICES AND HUDSON COUNTY BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES,

RESPONDENTS.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 6336-2018

As Director of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, I have reviewed the record in this case, including the Initial Decision, the OAL case file and the documents filed below. No exceptions were filed. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Agency Decision in this matter is September 20, 2018, in accordance with and Order of Extension.

The matter arises regarding the termination of Petitioner's Medicaid benefits due

to excess income. Petitioner had been receiving benefits but she began to work. The income she earned exceeded the Medicaid eligibility limit. However, according to the testimony at the hearing, Petitioner is no longer working.

While I concur that Petitioner exceeded the income limit, as Petitioner's income has changed, Hudson County should reassess Petitioner's Medicaid eligibility. Thus, I hereby ADOPT the Initial Decision to the extent Petitioner's income exceeded the standard at the time of the denial. However, Hudson County should reassess eligibility based on Petitioner's current income.

THEREFORE, it is on this day of SEPTEMBER 2018,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision is hereby ADOPTED; and

That the matter is RETURNED to Hudson County to reassess Petitioner's eligibility.

Meghan Davey, Director

Division of Medical Assistance

and Health Services