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M.B.,

PETITIONER,

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

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FINAL AGENCY DECISION

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE:

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 02147-2018

AND HEALTH SERVICES AND

PASSAIC 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. No Exceptions were filed. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Decision is May 11, 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 March 27, 2018.

This matter arises from the termination of M.B.'s Medicaid benefits by the Passaic County Board of Social Services because of M.B.'s failure to provide requested information and M.B.'s failure to appear at a redetermination appointment. M.B. requested a fair hearing. A representative of the Passaic County Board of Social Services as well as M.B. appeared for the hearing. Based on the evidence presented at the hearing, including the testimony of M.B., the Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) found as fact that M.B. did not present the required documents for redetermination of his Medicaid eligibility to Passaic County nor did M.B. participate in the required face to face interview process. Based upon these factual findings, the ALJ concluded that Passaic County's termination of M.B.'s benefits was proper.

Based on my review of the record, I concur with the ALJ's findings of fact and conclusions of law and hereby ADOPT the Initial Decision.

THEREFORE, it is on this day of MAY 2018,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision is hereby ADOPTED; and

That Passaic County's termination of Petitioner's Medicaid benefits is UPHELD.

Meghán Dávey, Director Division of Medical Assistance

and Health Services