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DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
AND HEALTH SERVICES

M.L.,

PETITIONER,

v.

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

AND HEALTH SERVICES AND

UNION COUNTY BOARD OF

SOCIAL SERVICES,

RESPONDENTS.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 15092-17

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 January 25, 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 December 11, 2017.

This matter arises from the denial of Petitioner's eligibility for Medicaid based on Petitioner's failure to apply for unemployment. The parties entered into a settlement on the record whereby Respondent acknowledged that Petitioner applied for unemployment on October 1, 2017, and agreed to re-evaluate the application for potential eligibility beginning in October 2017. By Initial Decision dated December 7, 2017, 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 and hereby ADOPT the Settlement Agreement.

THEREFORE, it is on this 17th day of JANUARY 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