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

N.L.,

PETITIONER,

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

v.

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

WARREN COUNTY BOARD OF

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 06927-2017

SOCIAL SERVICES,

RESPONDENT.

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 26, 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 12, 2017.


This matter arises from the denial of Petitioner's eligibility for Medicaid benefits by Respondent based on the failure to provide necessary documentation within the regulatory timeframe. The parties entered into a settlement whereby the parties agreed that the matter would be remanded to Respondent to reopen Petitioner's Medicaid application, that Respondent would provide Petitioner a reasonable opportunity to provide information necessary to the review of the application and that Petitioner would withdraw, without prejudice, the fair hearing request. By Initial Decision dated November 30, 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, and in light of the circumstances presented below, I concur with the ALJ's findings and hereby ADOPT the Settlement Agreement.

THEREFORE, it is on this *19th* 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