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P.R.,	:	
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PETITIONER,	:	ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
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v.	:	FINAL AGENCY DECISION
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CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD	:	OAL DKT. NO. HMA 12913-17
OF SOCIAL SERVICES,	:	
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RESPONDENT.	:	

As Director of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, I have reviewed the record in this matter, consisting of the Initial Decision, the documents in evidence, and the entire contents of the OAL case file. Neither Petitioner nor Respondent filed exceptions to the Initial Decision. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to render a Final Agency Decision is April 5, 2018 in accordance with an Order of Extension. The Initial Decision in this case was received on January 3, 2018.

The matter arises regarding the Cumberland County Board of Social Services (CCBSS) July 13, 2017 denial of Medicaid benefits based on the failure to provide documentation necessary to determine eligibility.

The matter transmitted and appropriately before the court is the July 17, 2017 denial of Petitioner's application based on Petitioner's failure to provide documentation. However, during the pendency of his appeal, a review of the Petitioner's file showed that Petitioner did in fact submit the requested documentation prior to the June 22, 2017 deadline. For this reason, I hereby ADOPT the Initial Decision with regard to the ALJ's determination that the Petitioner timely submitted the required documentation to CCBSS.

However, the July 17, 2017 notice does not address the CCBSS' determination that Petitioner was not eligible for Medicaid benefits prior to July 1, 2017 because she exceeded the resource limit. That notice was not presented to this office, appealed by the Petitioner or sent to the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) for a hearing. In fact, that notice does not appear in the record. Consequently, the effective date of Petitioner's eligibility was not before the Court. Accordingly, the matter is REVERSED with regard to the determination of Petitioner's eligibility date and RETURNED to the CCBSS to issue a determination notice regarding Petitioner's eligibility.

THEREFORE, it is on this ^{4th} day of APRIL 2018,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision is hereby ADOPTED with regard to the finding that Petitioner timely submitted documentation to the CCBSS; and

That the Initial Decision is hereby REVERSED with regard to Petitioner's date of eligibility and RETURNED to the CCBSS to issue a determination notice accordingly.


Meghan Davey, Director
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and Health Services