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CAROLE JOHNSON Commissioner

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

V.B.,

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 07280-2018

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 August 23, 2018, in accordance with <u>N.J.S.A.</u> 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 July 9, 2018.

This matter arises from Respondent's termination of Petitioner's Medicaid benefits due to Petitioner's income. In fact, Petitioner was not employed during February and March of 2018, and requested reconsideration of the eligibility determination for those two months. The parties entered into a settlement on the record whereby Respondent agreed to review documentation submitted by

PHILIP D. MURPHY Governor

SHEILA Y. OLIVER Lt. Governor Petitioner regarding the household income during that time period. Respondent will re-assess Petitioner's eligibility during that time-period and will grant eligibility for that period if Petitioner's documentation establishes that she was income eligible. By Initial Decision dated July 2, 2018, 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 V day of AUGUST 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