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

L.G.,		:	
	PETITIONER,		ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
	V.		FINAL AGENCY DECISION
HORIZON,		:	OAL DKT. NO. HMA 05509-19
	RESPONDENT.	:	

As Assistant Commissioner 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 March 19, 2020, 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 February 3, 2020.

This matter arises from Respondent's reduction in the Personal Care Assistance (PCA) hours provided to Petitioner. Prior to the hearing, the parties entered into a mutually agreeable settlement. By Initial Decision dated January 29, 2020, 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 <u>N.J.A.C.</u> 1:11-19.1.

PHILIP D. MURPHY Governor

SHEILA Y. OLIVER Lt. Governor 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 7 day of MARCH 2020,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision affirming the Settlement Agreement in this matter is hereby ADOPTED.

Jennifer Langer Jacobs, Assistant Commissioner Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services