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

B.B.,

PETITIONER,

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

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FINAL AGENCY DECISION

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE:

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 03481-2024

AND HEALTH SERVICES AND

SOMERSET COUNTY BOARD

OF SOCIAL SERVICES

RESPONDENTS.

As Assistant Commissioner of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS), I have reviewed the record in this case, including the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) case file and the Initial Decision approving the Settlement Agreement reached by the parties. No exceptions were filed in this matter. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Agency Decision is May 10, 2024, 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 March 26, 2024.

This matter arises from Somerset County Board of Social Services's January 3, 2024 denial of Petitioner's application for Medicaid benefits. Petitioner appealed the determination, and the matter was transmitted to the OAL for a fair hearing. During the hearing process, the parties agreed to a settlement and entered into a written agreement that resolves the contested matter.

In the Initial Decision, dated March 26, 2024, the Administrative Law Judge (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 2nd day of MAY 2024,

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

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