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

L.S.,

PETITIONER,

v.

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE  
AND HEALTH SERVICES AND  
GLOUCESTER COUNTY  
DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY  
SERVICES,

RESPONDENTS.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 17211-2024

As Assistant Commissioner for the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services (DMAHS), I have reviewed the record in this case, including the Initial Decision and the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) case file. Neither party filed exceptions in this

matter. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to render a Final Agency Decision is March 17, 2025.

This matter arises from the October 18, 2024 termination of Petitioner's Medicaid benefits due to excess income. (R-1, P.16). The Gloucester County Department of Family Services (Gloucester County) determined that Petitioner's monthly income of \$4,137.44 exceeded the monthly program limit of \$2,351.00, and accordingly Petitioner was ineligible for Medicaid. (R-1, P.16 &17). There is nothing in the record demonstrating that Petitioner disputes the income calculation.

The Initial Decision upheld the termination, as Petitioner's income exceeded the income limit to qualify for Medicaid, pursuant to N.J.A.C. 10:71-5.6. I concur. Countable income is determined by adding the applicant's nonexempt unearned income (less appropriate exclusions) to the applicant's earned income (less appropriate exclusions). N.J.A.C. 10:71-5.2(a). Any income not specifically excluded under the provisions of N.J.A.C. 10:71-5.3 shall be included in the determination of countable income. N.J.A.C. 10:71-5.4(a).

The undisputed evidence in the record indicates that Petitioner's monthly income of \$4,137.44 exceeds the maximum income limit. Petitioner's income was comprised of employment income as verified on the DOVE wage report. (R-1, P. 17-32). There is no authority that permits the relaxation or waiver of income limits in any individual cases.

Thus, I hereby ADOPT the Initial Decision and uphold Gloucester County's termination of Petitioner's Medicaid benefits due to excess income.

THEREFORE, it is on this 3rd day of MARCH 2025,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision is hereby ADOPTED.

*Gregory Woods*

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Gregory Woods, Assistant Commissioner  
Division of Medical Assistance and Health  
Services