



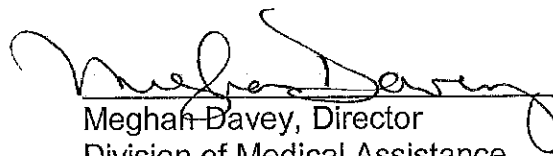
herein by reference. The credible evidence in this record indicates that Petitioner does not satisfy the clinical eligibility criteria necessary to continue the Program for All Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACE). The PACE program provides comprehensive services and supports to help eligible beneficiaries remain living in the community rather than in a nursing facility. In order for an applicant to qualify for PACE, he or she must be in need of nursing home level of care. Eligibility for nursing facility services is determined by the professional staff designated by the Department based on a comprehensive needs assessment that demonstrates that the beneficiary requires nursing home level of care. N.J.A.C. 8:85-2.1.

Based upon my review of the record in this matter, I agree with the Administrative Law Judge that the credible evidence indicates that Petitioner does not satisfy the clinical eligibility criteria necessary to qualify for nursing facility level of care pursuant to N.J.A.C. 8:85-2.1 and 2.2. Petitioner presented no evidence to contradict this determination. Petitioner may request a reassessment should his condition change.

THEREFORE, it is on this *3rd* day of SEPTEMBER 2016,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision affirming the denial of clinical eligibility for nursing level of care is hereby ADOPTED.

  
Meghan Davey, Director  
Division of Medical Assistance  
and Health Services