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I.P.,	:	
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PETITIONER,	:	ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
	:	
v.	:	FINAL AGENCY DECISION
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AMERIGROUP COMMUNITY CARE,	:	OAL DKT. NO. HMA 11615-17
	:	
RESPONDENT.	:	

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 December 7, 2017, 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 October 26, 2017.

This matter arises from Respondent's reduction in the personal preference hours provided to Petitioner. The parties entered into a settlement on the record whereby Respondent agreed to provide Petitioner with twenty-five (25) hours of personal

preference per week. Respondent will re-assess Petitioner's need for personal preference hours within thirty (30) days of October 23, 2017. By Initial Decision dated October 23, 2017, 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 <sup>21<sup>st</sup></sup> day of NOVEMBER 2017,

ORDERED:

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

*Heade for final Agency Dec 2017 OSD*  
*Meghan Davey*  
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Meghan Davey, Director  
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