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N.J.,	:	
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PETITIONER,	:	ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION
	:	
v.	:	FINAL AGENCY DECISION
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AMERIGROUP,	:	OAL DKT. NO. HMA 12296-17
	:	
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 4, 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 18, 2017.

This matter arises from the reduction by Respondent of Petitioner's Personal Preference Program services from twenty-eight hours per week to nineteen hours per week. The parties entered into a settlement on the record whereby the parties agreed

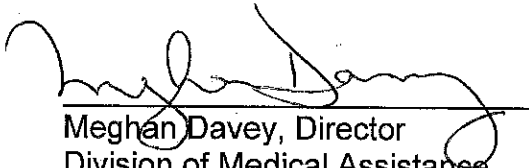
that Petitioner will receive twenty-three hours per week of Personal Preference Program services until such time as the next Personal Care Assistant Assessment. By Initial Decision dated October 16, 2017, the ALJ approved the Settlement Agreement because it was consistent with the law, fully disposed 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 *27th* day of NOVEMBER 2017,

ORDERED:

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


Meghan Davey, Director
Division of Medical Assistance
and Health Services