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

N.S.,

PETITIONER,

v.

AMERIGROUP,

RESPONDENT.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 3092-2017

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 July 3, 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 May 17, 2017.

This matter arises from Amerigroup's reduction of Petitioner's Personal Care Assistant (PCA) service hours. However, by Settlement Agreement filed with the Office of Administrative Law, the parties agreed to amicably resolve this controversy whereby

Amerigroup agreed to provide 16 hours of PCA services per week until the next assessment.


By Initial Decision dated May 15, 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 20<sup>th</sup> day of JUNE 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