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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES  
DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE  
AND HEALTH SERVICES

R.G.,

PETITIONER,

v.

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE  
AND HEALTH SERVICES AND  
ESSEX COUNTY BOARD  
OF SOCIAL SERVICES,

RESPONDENTS.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 19113-16

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 Agency Decision is April 24, 2017 in accordance with an Order of Extension. The Initial Decision was received on January 23, 2017.

This matter arises from Essex County's October 13, 2016 approval of Medicaid eligibility effective July 1, 2016. However, at the hearing, Petitioner provided documentation that established an earlier eligibility date. Thereafter, the parties entered into a Settlement Agreement whereby Essex County agreed to grant eligibility as of May 1, 2016.

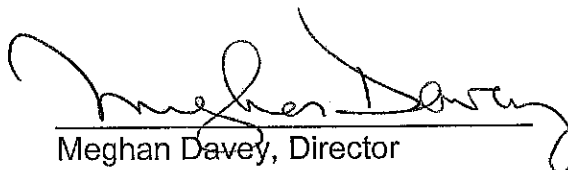
The ALJ approved the Settlement Agreement because it was consistent with the law, fully disposed of all issues in controversy and was voluntarily entered into by both parties, in accordance with N.J.A.C. 1:1-19.1.

Based upon my review of the record, I agree with the ALJ's conclusions and ADOPT the Settlement Agreement as based upon substantial credible evidence and consistent with applicable law.

THEREFORE, it is on this 20<sup>th</sup> day of MARCH 2017,

ORDERED:

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



Meghan Davey, Director  
Division of Medical Assistance  
and Health Services