


The matter arises regarding the denial of Petitioner's January 2020 application for Medicaid. Petitioner earns \$300.80 a month. His wife, with whom he resides, is employed and presented pay stubs that set her gross monthly income at \$2,409.31. N.J.A.C. 10:71-5.2. After applying the applicable disregards, only \$1,172.16 or half his spouse's income is used for Medicaid purposes. Thus, his countable income is \$1,452.76 which is above the income limit of \$1,437 for a couple and Morris County denied the case.

The Initial Decision upholds the denial and I concur. Petitioner's income at the time of application was calculated correctly with all the applicable disregards. If Petitioner's wife's income has changed, he can reapply.

THEREFORE, it is on this *26th* day of JULY 2020,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision is hereby ADOPTED.


Jennifer Langer Jacobs, Assistant Commissioner
Division of Medical Assistance
and Health Services