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

E.M.,

PETITIONER,

v.

UNITED HEALTHCARE,

RESPONDENT.

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ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. No. HMA 02245-2020

As Assistant Commissioner of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, I have reviewed the record in this case, including the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) case file and the Initial Decision approving the Settlement Agreement reached by the parties. No exceptions were filed in this matter. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to render a Final Agency Decision is May 6, 2021 in accordance with an Order of Extension.

This matter concerns the reduction of Petitioner's personal care assistance (PCA) hours. By way of settlement, the parties agreed to resolve the issues surrounding the PCA hours, withdrawing the request of a fair hearing.

In the Initial Decision dated January 28, 2021, 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 6th day of MAY 2021,

ORDERED:

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



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