CCAM Planning Meeting Pre-Brief

The Coordinating Council on Access and Mobility (CCAM) will convene on July 21st to develop the Council's Strategic Plan for upcoming years. During the meeting, the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) will work with a

its CCAM partners to:

- 1. Identify key initiatives to be included in the Strategic Plan
- 2. Begin to develop an implementation for each agreed-upon initiative

About the CCAM

The Coordinating Council on Access and Mobility (CCAM) was established in 2004 by Executive Order 13330: Human Service Transportation Coordination.

CCAM Objectives

The President formed the CCAM in 2004 to pursue the following objectives:

- Promote interagency cooperation
- Establish mechanisms to minimize duplication and overlap of Federal programs and services
- Facilitate access to transportation services within existing resources
- Encourage enhanced customer access to available transportation and resources
- Develop and implement policies and processes that enhance transportation services at all levels

CCAM Members

The CCAM consists of representatives from the following federal departments:

- Department of Transportation*
- Department of Health and Human Services*
- Department of Agriculture*
- Department of Veterans Affairs*
- Department of Labor*
- · Department of Education*
- Department of Housing and Urban Development
- · Department of the Interior
- Office of the Attorney General
- Social Security Administration

Impetus for CCAM Strategic Planning

The CCAM has been tasked with developing a Strategic Plan outlining the Council's plan to strengthen interagency collaboration, address outstanding recommendations, and eliminate burdensome regulatory barriers.

2014 GAO Report

In Dec 2014, the GAO reviewed nonemergency medical transportation services and issued the following recommendations for the CCAM:

- Publish a Strategic Plan for nonemergency medical transportation services coordination
- Issue a cost-sharing policy
- Address the challenges associated with coordinating federal nonemergency medical transportation programs

2015 FAST Act

In Dec 2015, the President signed the FAST Act, which directs the CCAM to develop a Strategic Plan which must:

- Outline the roles and responsibilities of each CCAM Federal Agency
- Address outstanding recommendations previously made by the Council
- Address GAO recommendations concerning local coordination of transportation services
- Propose changes to Federal laws and regulations that will eliminate barriers to local transportation coordination

^{*} Indicates CCAM members that will be represented at the July 21 Planning Meeting

Previous and On-Going CCAM Initiatives

Since the formation of the CCAM, the Council has developed policy, instituted programs, and conducted research around two areas essential to access and mobility: transportation cost-sharing and inter-agency coordination.

Policy Statements

Cost/Resource Sharing Policies

The CCAM has issued the following policy statements on transportation cost-sharing:

- Draft Statement on Cost Sharing Principles: Outlines general cost allocation and resource sharing principles intended to help agencies supporting human service transportation costs understand cost allocation principles
- Adopted Statement on Vehicle Resource Sharing: Clarifies that Federal cost principles do not
 restrict grantees to using their vehicles to serve only their clients. States that grantees may share
 the use of their vehicles if the cost of providing transportation to the community is also shared

Inter-Agency Policy Consultation

The CCAM drafted a policy statement on inter-agency coordination:

 Recommended CCAM Policy Consultation Process: Recommends a process for coordinating any policies, regulations, and/or guidance proposed by member agencies that may impact the goals of the CCAM

Proposed Methodology

Cost-Sharing Methodology

The Transit Cooperative Research Program (TCRP) developed a sample model for transportation costsharing and provided the following recommendations to enhance data recording and reporting procedures:

- 1. Collect data on total costs, services delivered, and services consumed by all organizations that provide community transportation services to consumers.
- 2. Report data to funders and administrators of all transportation programs
- 3. Use data to allocate costs among all participants in coordinated transportation services

Inter-Agency Collaborations to Date

Mobility Management

An approach to transportation planning and system development focused on better connecting people to resources and systems to each other, the practice of mobility management has been taking root in a variety of agencies, such as VA Medical Centers, and industries including healthcare.

Veterans Transportation Community Living Initiative

Collaborative effort by the Departments of Transportation, Defense, Health and Human Services, Labor, and Veterans Affairs to increase collaboration among federal, state, and local agencies and organizations to address the mobility challenges faced by our nation's veterans service members, and their families

Rides to Wellness

Initiative launched by the Department of Transportation in coordination with other CCAM partners that increases access to healthcare, improves health outcomes, and reduces healthcare costs through interagency collaboration