

Melinda L. McGrath
Executive Director

P. O. Box 1850
Jackson, MS 39215-1850
Telephone (601) 359-7001
FAX (601) 359-7110
GoMDOT.com



James A. Williams, III
Deputy Executive Director/Chief Engineer
Lisa M. Hancock
Deputy Executive Director/Administration
Willie Huff
Director, Office of Enforcement
Charles R. Carr
Director, Office of Intermodal Planning

December 19, 2018

Mr. Drew Snyder, Executive Director
Mississippi Division of Medicaid
550 High Street, Suite 1000
Jackson, MS 39201

Dear Mr. Snyder:

SUBJECT: Memorandum of Agreement

Enclosed for your records is a signed copy of the Memorandum of Agreement between our agencies. The major components of this agreement is to endorse and support the Mississippi Department of Transportation's statewide and regional coordination initiatives including: regional coordination advisory groups; regional and statewide coordination meetings and conferences; coordinated public transit /human services transportation plans and interagency cooperation in developing, selecting and evaluating transportation programs and services.

Please be reminded that this Memorandum of Agreement will remain in effect for a two- year period from the date of the latest signature unless any party notifies the other in writing 30 days before it wishes to dissolve the memorandum.

We look forward to collaborating with you in opportunities that are mutually beneficial to both organizations. Thank you for your commitment to improving mobility options and services for the citizens of this great state. If you have questions or need additional information please contact me directly at 601-359-7800.

Sincerely,

Shirley Wilson, Director
Public Transit Division

SW:

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

WHEREAS, the Mississippi Department of Transportation ("MDOT") is responsible through the Public Transit Division for developing statewide coordinated transportation plans, allocating and providing oversight of federal transit funds to public and private non-profit organization along with local, state and tribal governments to support a coordinated network of Community Transportation services statewide, and

WHEREAS, the parties to this Memorandum of Agreement (hereinafter MOA) acknowledge the importance of Community Transportation in Mississippi in supporting growth and development in our local and state economies and do recognize the major benefits of this coordinated effort as including; increased access to employment, education, and medical services; reduced cost of operating personal vehicles, reduced traffic congestion and improved air quality, as contributing to an overall improved quality of life.

WHEREAS, we share common interests and have unique roles and responsibilities as they relate to planning, provision, oversight and/or purchasing transportation services. Through this MOA all parties express their intent to collaborate and coordinate through utilization of data collection; planning and program design techniques to ensure efficient use of transportation resources and coordinated access to services.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the signed parties to this MOA endorse and support the Mississippi Department of Transportation's statewide and regional coordination initiatives including: regional coordination advisory groups; regional and statewide coordination meetings and conferences; coordinated public transit /human services transportation plans and interagency cooperation in developing, selecting and evaluating transportation programs and services.

By way of this MOA, the undersigned endorse the mutual goals of:

- A) Coordinating transportation and related program resources and services at the State level wherever possible; and
- B) Promoting maximum feasible coordination at the local level.

The parties agree to work together to achieve the following objectives:

- 1) Encourage State agencies and local governments to take a more active role in the management and coordination of programs supporting general public, specialized and human service transportation;
- 2) Promote the most cost effective use of federal, state and local resources, including, to the greatest extent possible, the use of other federal funds as local match;
- 3) Increase awareness of the availability of public and specialized transportation services;
- 4) Engage in joint planning efforts that includes identifying unmet needs, developing innovative service models as well as resource allocations and

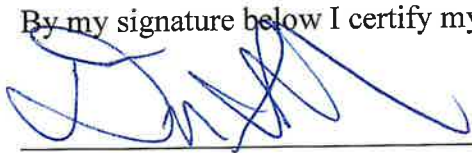
- 5) Actively participate in the Interagency Transportation Advisory Committee (ITC) whose functions and responsibilities include:
- (a) Promote interagency cooperation to establish a formal mechanism for collaborative transportation planning. This planning is intended to increase the availability and accessibility of cost effective, reliable, affordable and safe regional transportation services.
 - (b) Recommend transportation alternatives and options that promote the coordination of resources.
 - (c) Routinely review applications submitted to MDOT for federal and/or state assistance, such applications may include Section 5311, Section 5310, Job Access and Reverse Commute programs.
 - (d) As requested, make recommendations, through the Office of Intermodal Planning to the MDOT Executive Director concerning Public Transportation projects to be implemented or funded.
 - (e) Assist in coordinating planning activities, including initiatives, studies and formal plans of the agencies identified herein.

MEMORANDUM DURATION: This MOA will remain in effect for a two year period from the date of the latest signature unless any party notifies the other in writing 30 days before it wishes to dissolve the MOA.

MODIFICATION OR CANCELLATION: This MOA may be modified by written agreement of the parties. Request for modification may be initiated by either party through written notification to the other party.

MISSISSIPPI DIVISION OF MEDICAID

By my signature below I certify my endorsement and support of this MOA as outlined above.



Drew L. Snyder
Executive Director

November 21, 2018
Date

MISSISSIPPI TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

By the duly authorized Executive Director of the Mississippi Department of Transportation



Melinda McGrath, P.E.
Executive Director
Mississippi Department of Transportation

12/13/18
Date