

Resolution

Northeast Florida Regional Council

2014-06

Recommending

Review of Medicaid Managed Care on the Coordination of Transportation Services

WHEREAS, the Northeast Florida Regional Council is the Designated Official Planning Agency for the Transportation Disadvantaged Program in six (6) counties in Northeast Florida; and

WHEREAS, the Community Transportation Coordinators in each county in Northeast Florida have developed and managed effective, cost efficient, and coordinated transportation systems that have met the needs of residents for many years; and

WHEREAS, Medicaid Managed Care program does not require Medicaid trips to be provided through the coordinated system, moving the funding for Medicaid trips from the Department of Transportation to Medicaid Managed Care Providers; and

WHEREAS, this change in oversight may result in a disruption of the current cost effective and cost efficient system due to a number of reasons, including additional layers of communication and reporting, increase in administrative expenses, and the inability to multi-load trips, which may lead to the devolution of the systems that have been developed over the years; and

WHEREAS, on May 5, 2011, the NEFRC adopted Resolution 2011-09 noting that the coordinated system is working well and expressing its support for retaining Medicaid transportation within the coordinated system.

WHEREAS, the safety and well-being of transportation-disadvantaged citizens in the region are best served through Medicaid trips being provided by these coordinated systems.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Northeast Florida Regional Council urges the Governor and the Secretary of the Agency for Health Care Administration to delay changes to the coordinated systems in the State until the potential impact of Medicaid Managed Care on transportation coordination is determined.

Unanimously adopted by the Northeast Florida Regional Council in a regular meeting assembled in the City of Jacksonville, the first day of May 2014.



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Wendell Davis

President

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