

NEW HAMPSHIRE TRANSIT ASSOCIATION (NHTA)

December 1, 2011

MINUTES

Present: Van Chesnut, Fred Roberge, Beverly Raymond, Ken Hazeltine, Evan Rosset, Lee Maloney, Roberta Berner, Terri Paige, Pam Joslin, Shelley Winters, Mickey McIver, Network Health Team

- I. **Minutes** - Motion to accept the minutes without change was made by Roberta Berner and seconded by Lee Maloney. Acceptance of the minutes passed unanimously.
- II. **NHDOT Update by Shelley Winters** – The Transportation Specialist position is in the process of being filled. This position will work with intercity and commuter bus operators when filled. Currently, they are interviewing 4 internal candidates.

Annual FTA Certifications & Assurances are due to Karen or Steve. They must be signed by your attorney prior to submission. If Certifications & Assurances are not in to NHDOT they cannot process your invoices according to the Attorney General's Office.

NTD data has been submitted to NHDOT except one agency (BMCAP) for the Sec. 5311 program. They need all data before they can submit their report to NTD.

Title VI Plans must be updated based on the new 2010 census. A new FTA circular is due out in March providing guidance on it. Lee Maloney mentioned FTA may be providing training on the new requirements. All providers will have to develop service standards.

The Sec. 5310 Purchase of Service funding has been included in the 10 year plan approved by GACIT in the amount of \$800,000. They anticipate a 30% reduction going forward because of reduced Federal funding. This appropriation is for FFY 2013/2014.

Ken Hazeltine will be going to the NEPTA Conference in Foxborough, MA to attend the NTA, Advance Wheelchair Securement certification training to evaluate it to see if we want to bring the class to NH.

- III. A presentation and open discussion was held between Network Healthcare and NHTA members to see if members are interested in partnering with Network Healthcare for the delivery of Medicaid Transportation if they submit a bid to NHDHHS for the Medicaid Care Management project. Members were open about the current status of the medicaid transportation system and where they feel improvements need to be made. Network Healthcare appreciated the feedback from members and will contact providers to sign letters of intent where possible for their proposal.

IV. Harry Costick is working with the Portsmouth Chamber of Commerce to find the best location for the 2012 Tri-State Conference. The conference is planned for a mid-Sept to Mid-Oct timeframe.

Van will be working with NHDOT to see if there is opportunity for NHTA to obtain a conference management fee to assist with planning the conference.

V. **Other Business** – Mickey McIver mentioned that CTS consulting is working with two firms to be the potential transportation broker for other MCO bidders.

VI. **Adjournment – 11:02 AM**