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**Subject:** 5311 Administration Grant Update

On behalf of Kenetta Spence:

Good afternoon transit partners. Prior to opening the FY27 5311 Administration grant a statement was made regarding the number of Admin positions a single or multi-county rural transit agency could apply for. IMD limited the application to 3 positions for single county systems, and 5 for multi-county systems. This limitation was a practice IMD and formerly PTD used when approving grant applications. IMD received a number of questions and comments about this limitation and was asked to reconsider the limitation.

To be a true partner with our transit agencies, IMD senior management and staff met and discussed this limitation to determine if it was a federal or state requirement which could not be removed. It was determined that this limitation was in place under a previous IMD/PTD director and was not required. With this determination, the decision was made to remove it from our program guidance beginning with the current FY27 grant application cycle.

Transit directors are able to request the funding for Admin positions necessary to continue operating their systems effectively. If you have any questions or concerns, please reach out to your Regional Grant Specialist for assistance.

Sincerely,

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