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Good Afternoon Transit Partners,

Welcome to another weekly Transit to Vaccine Digest.

Updates and Reminders

We received confirmation from FTA that incidental use is eligible and not considered charter service. As a reminder- per FTA guidance ([FAQ](#))- systems may use transit assets as incidental use for providing vaccine service. Remember that you will have to report on incidental use in your Ops data.

For those who received DHHS funds on 2/4 – please collaborate with all transit providers in your area to ensure the funding is being utilized as effectively and efficiently as possible to provide access to vaccine sites. In particular, county providers located in urban areas should collaborate with urban transit providers to share funding, ideas and other resources to meet this challenges. This money intended to benefit all people in your community/county.

Weekly Wins*

This week we’re debuting a new way to visualize our progress- as NC Transit systems and partners transport members of the public to vaccines, the below map will turn from light blue to dark blue. Your weekly data submissions feed this map, so please submit your trip data!

NUMBER OF VACCINE TRIPS PROVIDED COMPARED TO ESTIMATED NEED



Since the beginning of the T2V efforts, **51 Transit Systems** have provided **853 Trips** and traveled **9,179 miles** to provide transportation to vaccinations

3 Systems are transporting Nurses and Paramedics to Homebound persons

25 Dedicated Vehicle Days

**Non-map data from Weekly Data survey through Tuesday, February 16, 2021*

System Spotlight: ICPTA



ICPTA Clients with their completed vaccination cards

ICPTA is the only public transportation authority in North Carolina that is part of a regional health department, Albemarle Regional Health Services (ARHS), which covers several eastern counties. ICPTA has been working with their parent agency ARHS on a multifaceted approach to connecting the public to vaccines:

Vaccine Clinics

The first way is through Vaccine Clinics. Every week, ARHS gives ICPTA a vaccine allotment, date and time of a clinic. During the clinic, clients are transported from their home to the clinic location. A

nurse boards the bus to administer the vaccinations; the vehicle waits 15 minutes at the site location before returning their clients home. There is no charge for the Covid-19 Vaccine or for the transportation to and from the clinic.

Homebound: Leveraging Meals on Wheels

Last week, ICPTA started a new program to deliver vaccinations to homebound clients. ICPTA is leveraging their relationship with their local Aging Department to reach homebound clients of the Meals on Wheels program. Meals on Wheels communicates with their clients to see who needs/wants the vaccines. ICPTA schedules a route on a day that ARHS nurses are available to administer homebound clients. An ICPTA driver meets the vaccine staff and transports them to their various destinations. Vaccines are administered and the Vaccine Staff stay in the home for 15 minutes to ensure there are no reactions before moving on to next client. In the first week of this program, ICPTA was able to reach 16 homebound people and ICPTA is already looking to expand the program into additional counties.

CONGRATULATIONS to ICPTA for successfully teaming with their partner agencies to provide comprehensive vaccination opportunities to people of all mobility needs.

Weekly Data and Claims Reminder

Transit Systems, please remember to submit your weekly data survey by end of day on Tuesdays. The requested information helps our team understand resource and funding needs and communicate those needs and successes.

<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/f60074eadd0a4463b85e38dc5724a9a2>

Claims: Delegation of Authority – You may use a person designated on the Delegation of Authority list to sign your claims form.

Communications and Events- Week of 2/15

Please see below for a summary of communications and events from the week of 2/15/2021:

Subject	Date	Notes
DHHS Funding Requirements Supplemental Guidance	Wed 2/17	Email PDF
Technology Solutions Webinar	2/18 @ 3pm	Webinar Recording Follow up email

Upcoming Communications and Events

Please see below for a upcoming communications and events:

Subject	Est Date	Notes

COVID-19 Safety and Health Webinar	2/24 @ 9am	Register HERE . COVID-19 safety and health certification training for transit systems. Invite to go out this week.
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Don't forget all the good info on our Website! :

<https://connect.ncdot.gov/business/Transit/Pages/Transportation-COVID-19-Vaccine-Sites.aspx>

Thank you!

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