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COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Executive Directors
Area Agencies on Aging

FROM: Ellen Nau, Human Services Program Coordinator

DATE: June 2, 2010

SUBJECT: Kinship Care

Virginia Commission on Youth Meeting - June 8 at 10:00 A.M.

The Virginia Commission on Youth, a legislative commission of the Virginia General Assembly, will hold its second meeting of the 2010 study year on Tuesday, June 8 at 10:00 a.m. in House Room C of the General Assembly Building. Items on the agenda include:

Children's Services System Transformation The Honorable William A. Hazel, Jr., MD
Secretary of Health and Human Resources

Juvenile Offender Re-entry

Helivi L. Holland, Director
Virginia Department of Juvenile Justice
Banci E. Tewolde, Prisoner Re-entry Coordinator Office of the Secretary of Public Safety

Kinship Care in Virginia

Paul McWhinney, Director, Division of Family Services Virginia Department of Social Services

All Commission on Youth meetings are open to the public.

Publications:

Developing Rural Relatives as Parents Programming: Promising Practices – A Collection of Practice Wisdom from Across Rural America

This publication, written by the University of Maine with funding from the Brookdale Foundation Group, provides Relatives as Parents Programs (RAPPS) with practical tips on serving rural families. It can be downloaded at no charge from www.brookdalefoundation.org under publications.

GrandFacts: Data, Interpretation, and Implications for Caregivers

The information in this publication is an excellent resource for agencies providing services to grandfamilies. It is estimated that one million American children live in grandparent-headed households in which their parents are not present. Forty-two percent of these children are teenagers. The report was funded by the Annie E .Casey Foundation and the Brookdale Foundation Group. It can be downloaded at no charge from www.brookdalefoundation.org under publications.



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MEMORANDUM

TO: Directors and Staff
Area Agencies on Aging

FROM: Bill Peterson

DATE: June 2, 2010

SUBJECT: AAAs Receive Best Practices Awards

The Commonwealth Council on Aging recognized two AAAs with their 2010 Best Practices Awards. More than 30 organizations submitted nominations for this year's awards program and six programs were chosen to receive awards. Out of these six award winners, the following AAAs were recognized: The Shenandoah Area Agency on Aging's **At Home Program** was the \$5,000 award winner and the Jefferson Area Board for Aging's **Mountainside Senior Living Program** was the \$1,000 award winner. See details of these two programs below.

The At Home Program

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At Home (providing Rural Citizens the Choice to Age At Home) adds a new level to the Shenandoah Area Agency on Aging's core services for the homebound. The *At Home* program includes a part time case manager, a part-time rural health outreach nurse, and sixteen Shenandoah University Physician Assistant students each semester who bring information and support in chronic disease management to rural homebound elders. A compelling case is being made for cost savings resulting from reduced

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emergency room visits among this client population, improved access to basic medical services, and increased patient compliance with physician orders and medication management. In 28 months, more than 840 in-home visits have been provided to 124 older home bound clients and reduced or eliminated visits to the emergency room. This initiative enlists the following collaborative partners: Shenandoah University, Shenandoah Memorial Hospital, United Way of the Northern Shenandoah Valley, Our Health, and the Shenandoah County Free Medical Clinic.

Mountainside Senior Living

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Mountainside Senior Living (MSL) is a unique assisted living facility in Crozet, VA. It is a rare Area Agency on Aging in the assisted living business, but JABA (the Jefferson Area Board for Aging in Charlottesville) had no choice but to step up and prevent 143 frail seniors from being evicted from a bankrupt chain. In less than six months, JABA was able to stitch together local support from government, donations and lenders and became both the operator of the facility, and a part owner of the real estate. Furthermore, MSL balances a mixture of private-pay, and Auxiliary Grant (AG) or Medicaid-supported beds. The shortfall in revenue from Medicaid is compensated for by excess revenue from private-pay beds, which themselves are priced at approximately 80% of the prevailing local market. JABA's Mountainside Senior Living is indeed an exercise in doing right while doing well.



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COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Directors and Transportation Staff
Area Agencies on Aging

FROM: Bill Peterson

DATE: June 2, 2010

SUBJECT: Stakeholders Meetings: Improved Transportation

Over the last three years the Department of Rail and Public Transportation (DRPT) has been working with all regions of the Commonwealth to develop Coordinated Human Service Mobility (CHSM) Plans. The plans are organized geographically around the 21 Planning District Commissions (PDCs) throughout the Commonwealth.

DRPT invites all interested stakeholders to the upcoming CHSM meeting for your area scheduled for June, July, and August (See attached). The agenda items for these meetings will include:

- The review of VA's "Program of Projects" (i.e., all DRPT funded grants this year);
- Consideration of a process to update your 2008 regional plan;
- A description of the upcoming DRPT funded "Travel Training Conference" to be held on November 16, 17, and 18 in Blacksburg. DRPT will be seeking applications from each team for this "all expenses paid" training aimed at PASS certification (20 slots) and "Transportation Solutions for Community Coordinators" certification (20 slots). These training programs are described at <http://www.ctaa.org>; and
- A DRPT request that each area organize a Travel Training Committee to work with graduates of the Travel Training conference.

For more details or to RSVP for the meeting in your region, contact Neil Sherman at neil.sherman@drpt.virginia.gov.

Attachment

Workshops on
Regional Coordinated Human Service Mobility Plans
June, July & August 2010

1. **June 14, Hampton, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm**
Hampton Roads PDC, @ Hampton Roads Transit, 3400 Victoria Blvd Hampton VA 23661, (757) 222-6000, <http://www.gohrt.com>
2. **June 22, Charlottesville, 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm**
Thomas Jefferson Planning District Commission (PDC 10) area @ 401 East Water Street, Charlottesville, VA 22902-1505, (434) 979-7310, <http://www.tjpdcc.org/>
3. **June 23, Staunton 10:30 am to Noon**
Central Shenandoah PDC, 112 MacTanly Place, Staunton, VA 24401, 540-885-5174 Website: www.cspdc.org
4. **June 30, Richmond 10:00 am to Noon**
Richmond Regional PDC, 9211 Forest Hill Avenue, Suite 200 Richmond VA 23235, (804) 323-2033, Website: <http://www.richmondregional.org/>
5. **July 1, Fredericksburg, 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm**
George Washington PDC, @ disAbility Resource Center (The CIL), 409 Progress Street, Fredericksburg, VA 22401.(540) 373-2559 V, (540) 373-5890 TTY, 1+(800) 648-6324 TOLL FREE, Website = <http://www.cildrc.org/>
6. **July 14, Middle-Penn/Northern Neck, 10:00 am to Noon**
Middle Peninsula PDC -- Northern Neck PDC @ Middle Peninsula District Commission, Saluda Professional Center, 125 Bowden Street, Saluda, VA 23149 (804)758-2311 Website: <http://www.nnpdc.org/>
7. **July 14, Front Royal, 1:00pm to 2:30 pm**
For Northern Shenandoah Regional Commission (PDC 7) area @ Shenandoah Area Agency on Aging, 207 Mosby Lane, Front Royal, VA 22630, 540 635-7141 <http://www.warrencountyva.net/>
8. **July 15, Farmville, 10:30am to Noon**
Southside PDC's (3), [Southside, Commonwealth Regional, & Crater Rural PDCs], @ Farmville Area Bus, 502 Doswell Street, Farmville, VA 23901, (434) 392-7433, <http://www.farmvilleva.com/>
9. **July 20, Eastern Shore, 10:00 to Noon**
Eastern Shore, Accomac-Northampton PDC, 23372 Front Street, Accomac, VA 23301, 757-787-2936, Website: www.a-npdc.org

- 10. July 21, Martinsville, 9:00 am to 10.30am**
West Piedmont PDC, 1100 Madison Street, Martinsville, VA 24115, (276) 638-3987, Website: www.wppdc.org
- 11. July 23, Culpeper, 10 am to 12:30 pm**
Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional Commission, 420 Southridge Parkway, Suite 106, Culpeper, VA 22701, (540) 829-7450- Website: www.rrregion.org
- 12. July 28, Marion, 2:00pm to 3:30pm**
Leonowisco, Cumberland Plateau, and MT. Rogers PDC's at District Three Governmental Cooperative, 4453 Lee Highway, Marion, VA (276) 783-8157, <http://district-three.org/>
- 13. August 10, – Purcellville, 11:00 am to 12:30 pm**
Northern VA PDC at Virginia Regional Transit, 109 N. Bailey Lane Purcellville, VA 20132-3085, (540) 338-0690, Toll Free 1-877-777-2708, <http://www.vatransit.org/>
- 14. August 11, Lynchburg, 10:30am to noon**
Region 2000 Region Commission, 828 Main Street, 12th Floor, Lynchburg, VA 24504, (434)845-5678, Website: www.region2000.org
- 15. August 24, Roanoke, 11:00am to 12:30 pm**
Roanoke Valley – Alleghany Commission, New River Valley PDC and Montgomery MPO, at RADAR, 2762 Shenandoah Ave. NW Roanoke , VA 24037, (540) 343-1721 Website: www.radartransit.org