



# Oklahoma Mobility Management

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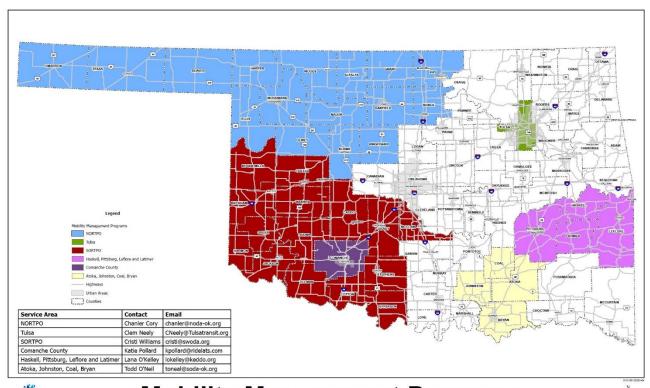


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## Established in 2023, Oklahoma currently has 6 mobility management programs





**Mobility Management Programs** 



- Goal to serve 100% of OK w/ no gaps in mobility management support
  - Currently at 58% coverage serving 45 out of 77 counties
  - 77% of counties in OK will be served by mobility management programs by the end of 2024
- Less confusion for individuals/agencies to find mobility management
  - Statewide branding

We have been growing fast!!!

## How we have been building our mobility network

We invest in relationships—because we cannot do anything without them



Transportation Providers

Community Service Agencies & Non-Profits

**State Agencies** 

Related Programs

- 5307, 5311, Tribal, 5310, etc.
- They are not just attending our coordination meetings- we show up at their offices, local committees, planning efforts and community assessments as representatives in mobility. And we keep coming back to the table to participate, support and collaborate solutions together.
- State agencies meet with our statewide mobility contact to discuss highlevel transportation projects, opportunities to become involved, partner or support transportation providers efforts (including rural areas).
- Our next step is starting CCAM discussions with state agencies matching them up with coordinated project efforts that match the CCAM grant opp.
- 988 mental health transportation services
  - Communicate with mobility managers for less critical mobility needs
- VA transportation
  - Same- veterans don't just need medical transportation and there are some needs the VA cannot meet- but mobility managers can help find those solutions.
- Sooneride/NEMT brokerage
  - OK has a statewide brokerage model
    - Added MCO's in 2024

### And we work together a lot

The result, when you contact one of us, you're getting support from all Oklahoma mobility managers.

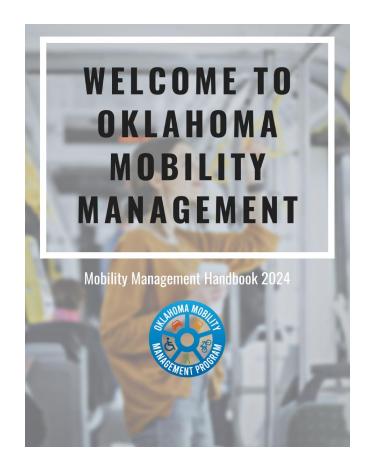
Mobility managers communicate issues and address challenges as a team, so that no mobility manager is left in the dark to handle challenges on their own.

#### Mobility Management Meetings

- •Weekly Mondays
- Share updates and announcements
- •Weekly Wednesday Workshops
- •Training, open discussion, FAQ's
- Quarterly Roundtables
- Training
- Peer support & collaboration

#### Other meetings

- •ODOT 5310 & 5311 monthly grant meetings
- •Regional coordination task force meetings
- •RTPO/MPO meetings
- Community meetings



## We're building up our knowledge

Rather than spending the next 1-2 years struggling to figure it all out, we have a structure.

#### TA center training

- NCMM
- National RTAP
- · And many others

#### Core Oklahoma Knowledge

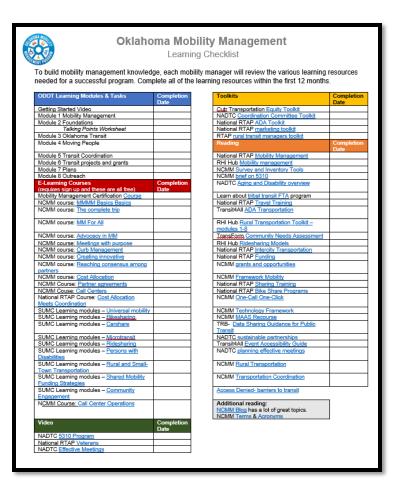
- Technical onboarding with ODOT
- State-specific info that is critical to a successful mobility management program include:
- OK Transit 101
- Who are the transit agencies in OK and why do they operate the way they do
- The big picture when it comes to mobility management in OK (what our role is as MM's)
- Types of transportation plans in OK and what that means for MM's
- Foundations and funding resources in OK & beyond
- State agencies and programs that work with transportation

#### Mentor Program

• Mobility managers building up new mobility managers with best practices

#### Project management task lists

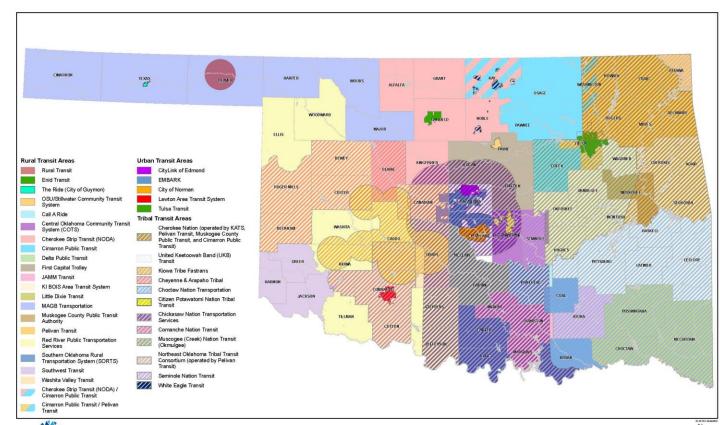
- Ability to easily partner with another mobility manager on tasks
- Performance reporting comes from these tasks lists
- Collaboration and documentation all on one platform



## Why are we working so hard? Because Transportation is Complicated

Mobility managers can identify the gaps in service that maps don't show

Mobility management is not just a transportation program. It's a program that can eliminate the gaps between transportation and all other community services.





**Transit Service Designated Coverage Areas** 



# Highlights from the SW Region



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## **Highlights- Lawton OKMOM event**

Oklahoma Mission of Mercy EREE Dental Event

**OKLAHOMA MOBILITY** MANAGEMENT PROGRAM **COORDINATED WITH** 

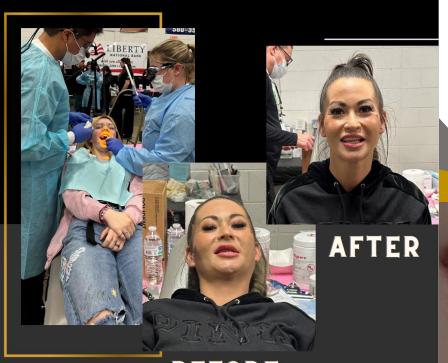
LAWTON AREA TRANSIT SYSTEM (LATS)

AND

**RED RIVER** TRANSPORTATION

TO PROVIDE





**BEFORE** 

ALMOST 1,000 PEOPLE RECEIVED FREE DENTAL SERVICES

#### Collaboration = Success

- Very little participation at Shawnee last year
- Multiple groups sharing information about Lawton event - had to turn people away at 11:00am on the final day.



Young lady had a partial denture procedure done. She called her loved one to say.... I'm finally beautiful

## **Highlights-Sooneride NEMT**

#### SoonerRide/Modivcare/Ok Healthcare Authority

- Client/Health worker with frustrations navigating the automated system, dropped rides and denied rides
  - Mobility navigator shared the issue
  - Contacts were made to bring Modivcare and Oklahoma Healthcare authority to meetings

Actual Post

My surgery to have my entire

Parastomal hernia repair is

scheduled for tomorrow

large intestine and football size

morning at 5:30am I have to be

there. My and cooper approved

they can't find a driver. Is there

anyone that can help with a taxi

morning around that time that

me. Then they called and said

fare? Or is on there way to

Oklahoma City tomorrow

#### **Results:**

- Direct contact numbers to the Oklahoma Healthcare Authority for those assisting clients
- Quick reference flyer for clients with basic numbers to contact and steps to navigate SoonerRide
- Direct line to Modivcare for those assisting clients
- Training for organizations on SoonerRide.

#### **Positive Examples:**

- Rides denied by SoonerRide because of mileage restrictions are now being covered
- Healthcare and Transit Agencies sharing Mobility Management information with clients



#### IS SCHEDULING MEDICAL TRIPS **OVERWHELMING?**

**USE THESE TIPS TO GET THE MOST OUT OF SOONERRIDE** 



#### 800-987-7767

SoonerRide Website

- · Assistance with finding doctors near you
- Agents can call the doctor to see availability

https://oklahoma.gov/ohca/individuals/soonerride.html

· Get help locating PCP's accepting Medicaid

Where's My Ride

800-435-1034 TDD 711

· Find out where your ride is

Is anyone giving rides in mamon? Especially this weekend but in general too. I message me.

a PERSON

Have A

COMPLAINT??

1-800-435-1034

I see and hear others complain about there not being Uber or taxis. I am aware of and par Transportation. That is not what I need. I can't ride a bike for another month or so due to a neckbrace but this renders me mostly harmless if you were to give me a ride or rides. Thank you.

Actual Facebook **Post** 

Facebook

need them regularly and I have cash. Please feel free to private

can help me get to the hospital? Or that is going tonight that can give me and my daughter a ride? Even if it is earlier? This is a urgent major 

## **Highlights- Veterans Assist**

Mobility Navigator received a call from a case manager in Lawton. Veteran spouse needed not only the transportation, but also an escort to travel with her. The cost, however, would be more than the veteran spouse could afford.

The home care agency told the mobility navigator about a veteran assist program. This program would pay for services; however, the application process would be completed after the veteran spouse's upcoming appointments.

Mobility navigator reached out to multiple people within the military community in Lawton. Organizations and individuals came forward to pay for her transportation or take her to her upcoming appointments.

Client was overwhelmed by the support and extremely grateful to all that came forward within the community to assist.

## Highlights- Transportation Chat A Community Forum

The Mobility Management Programs in Northwest and Southwest Oklahoma have begun talking with the community about transportation needs, concerns and strategies for improvement.

This chat is important because it brings the community together to discuss and focus on transportation issues and solutions that work for everyone.

Thus, ensuring that the solutions are efficient and consider the needs of citizens, businesses, organizations, and transit agencies.



# And, we're just getting started

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Thank you!!

