

## MEMORANDUM

TO: TJPDC Commissioners  
FROM: David Blount, Deputy Director, and Christine Jacobs, Executive Director  
DATE: September 24, 2026  
RE: Rural Health Transformation Program Update

**Purpose:** To provide an update on discussions between state officials and TJPDC concerning the Rural Health Transformation Program.

**Background, Information and Activities:** At the August meeting, the Commission adopted a resolution (attached) concerning the Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP), to authorize the TJPDC to participate in this program, and for the Executive Director to take actions as necessary to enable TJPDC to manage and administer program subgrants. Since that time, TJPDC has participated in numerous meetings with representatives from the governor's office, the Department of Medical Assistance Services (DMAS) and other PDCs, and most recently, with DMAS officials specifically as we move toward executing an agreement to govern TJPDC participation in the program. Following is an update on activities to date that have occurred and that are still to come:

### Activities to Date:

- Verbal agreement has been reached for TJPDC and the Rappahannock-Rapidan Regional Commission (RRRC) to be implementation partners with the state for the Northern Piedmont region, with TJPDC to be the lead partner and Subrecipient that will contract with DMAS;
- Detailed discussions with state officials of a Scope of Work (working draft attached) for the project;
- Detailed discussions with state officials of a Subrecipient Agreement, to include various exhibits, which will govern the award to TJPDC from the Department to the Subrecipient;
- Consultation with TJPDC's legal counsel, who has conducted a thorough review of and suggested changes for documents presented to TJPDC by DMAS for consideration and execution; and
- Consultation with RRRC on formulating a proposed administrative budget for the initiative. For budgeting purposes, the Northern Piedmont region is expected to have approximately \$11.8 million available for TJPDC/RRRC administrative costs, and to make subawards to successful applicants proposing mobile and hybrid care projects.

### Activities to Come:

- Formal execution of the Subrecipient Agreement with DMAS is anticipated by September 30.
- Initiation of a formal "Request for Applications" for mobile and hybrid care projects will follow soon after. We expect to utilize a team of state and regional partners to score proposals following what is anticipated to be a three-week application period.

