



Pinellas County

Staff Report

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Subject:

Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity for Americhair Transport Service, Inc., a Non-Medical Wheelchair Transport Provider.

Recommended Action:

Sitting as the Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Authority, issue a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (COPCN) for the new applicant on the attached listing.

Authorize the Chairman to sign the certificate.

Strategic Plan:

Ensure Public Health, Safety, and Welfare

2.1 Provide planning, coordination, prevention, and protective services to ensure a safe and secure community

Summary:

Americhair Transport Service, Inc. has completed the application and met the Authority's inspection requirements to operate as a non-medical wheelchair transport business in Pinellas County. The COPCN will be effective July 19, 2016 with an expiration date of June 30, 2017. The total number of providers will increase from fourteen (14) in Fiscal Year 2016 (FY16) to fifteen (15) in Fiscal Year 2017 (FY17).

Background Information:

Pinellas County Code, Section 54, requires firms providing Wheelchair Transportation Services to apply for a COPCN in order to operate in Pinellas County.

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Staff Member Responsible:

Michael Cooksey, Director, Safety and Emergency Services

Partners:

AVS Mobility, Inc.

CareCabee Transportation, LLC

Care Ride, LLC

Comfort Coach Wheelchair Transportation, Inc.

Express Medical Transporters, Inc.

Lifefleet Southeast, Inc. d/b/a American Medical Response (AMR)

Mac J Transport, Inc.

MedFleet, Inc.

Safe Choice Transportation Services, LLC

Tender Touch Transport Service, LLC

The Crisis Center of Tampa Bay, Inc. d/b/a TransCare Medical Transportation Services
Trinity Mobility, Inc., d/b/a, A Trinity Wheelchair Transportation
Wheelchair/Stretcher Limo, Inc.
Wheelchair Transport Service, Inc.

Attachments:

Provider agency listing
COPCN