# MetroAccess Eligibility & Functional Assessments

Medical Transportation Management (MTM)

3<sup>rd</sup> Party Functional Assessment Contract Award

November 2021



## What is ADA Paratransit?

Service that acts as a "safety net" for individuals with disabilities who <u>cannot</u> use the regular city system either some or all of the time.

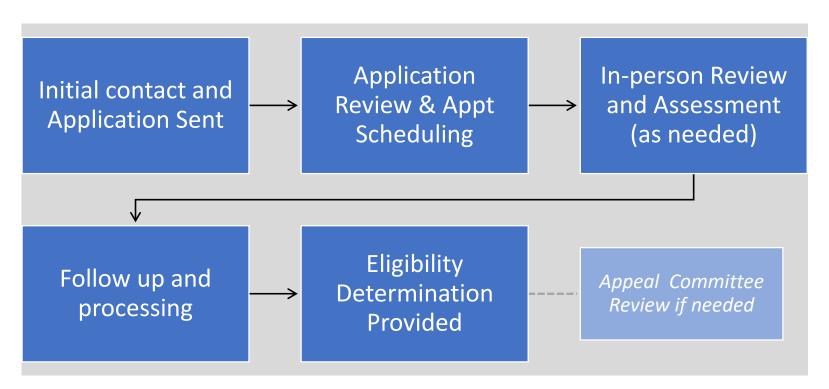
ADA Eligibility: Each public entity required to provide complementary paratransit service by § 37.121 of this part shall establish a process for determining ADA paratransit eligibility. The process shall strictly limit ADA paratransit eligibility to the individuals specified [in these regulations.]"

49 CFR Part 37 Section 37.125(a)



# The Eligibility Process

# Eligibility process introduced in 2011 with extensive community engagement



- Maximum 21 days = Federal Requirement
- CapMetro averages around 4 days (during normal times)
- Past 5 year Customer
   Satisfaction rate 8.8/10





# **Eligibility Team Goals**

**Independence \* Education \* Support** 

### Strengthen Customer Connection

- Orient to all CapMetro services
- Connect with community resources
- Address customer concerns
- Identify safety risks

### **Ongoing Customer Support**

- Evaluate changes in customer condition
- Mobility aid securement evaluations for Bus/Rail travel
- Travel Training on all modes
- Promote Independence for all!



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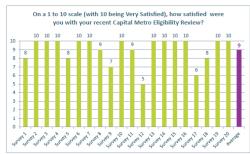
**MTM (Medical Transportation Management)** 

- MTM with successful 5-year history
- Therapists to objectively assess functional abilities
- Independent 3rd party customer satisfaction surveys
- High customer satisfaction ratings (8.8/10)
- Continuity necessary for return to in-person operations post-COVID-19





#### Cap Metro May 2021 Survey Results



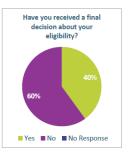


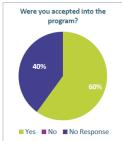












Cap Metro Survey Dashboard - May 2021

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# Functional Assessments & Customer Satisfaction Surveys

5 Year Contract Total: \$2,090,874

FY 2022 - FY2026

### 3 year base period:

Year 1 Base: \$385,476.96Year 2 Base: \$397,338.96

• Year 3 Base: \$409,581.72

### 2 option years:

Option Year 1: \$422,217.96

• Option Year 2: \$435,260.88

2% overall contingency \$40,997

- 56 years of combined therapy experience (Occupational & Physical Therapists)
- Excellent staff/therapist retention





# **COVID-19 Pandemic & Eligibility**

### Presumptive Eligibility Paper Process

- In-person suspended March 2020
  - Automatic recertifications; paper process for new
  - Varied presumptive eligibility periods to spread volume

### Anticipated return to modified in-person operations Fall 2021

- Facility remodeled for improved social distancing
- Phased approach
- Streamlined process
- PPE
- Vaccinations recommended for staff/customers

