

EVOLUTION OF DISABILITY TRANSPORTATION IN TENNESSEE

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Mission Statement ITE

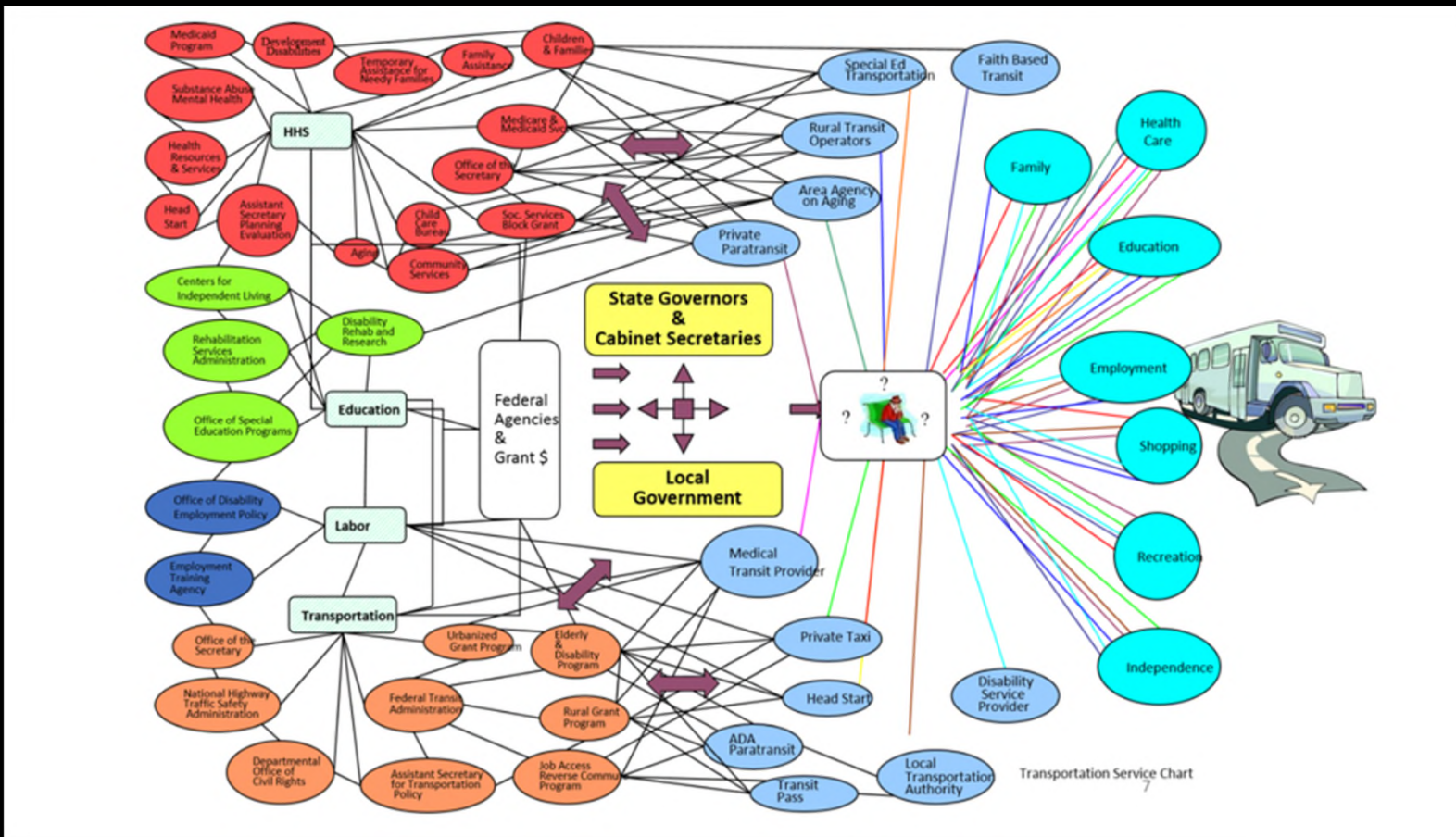
To provide the global community of transportation professionals with the knowledge, practices, skills and connections to serve the needs of their communities and help shape the future of the profession and transportation in the societal context.

What's the big problem?

People with Disabilities Have Over a 30% Unemployment Rate



What is the #1 policy issue for people with disabilities? Accessible transportation





Office of Accessible Transportation and Mobility

New law creates a new office within TDOT that will focus solely on accessible transportation.

Tennessee is first state to do this.

Law Mandates

By March 31, 2020 the office will produce:

- A mission statement,
- A five-year strategic plan, and
- The state's first annual report about accessible transportation in Tennessee.
- Importantly: the law requires these activities to be informed by an advisory committee of stakeholders that includes experts in both transportation and aging and disability and people who use accessible transportation.

Thank You

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