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OUR EVENTS

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SYSTEMS TRAINING

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AUGUST

14 | [ACD Basic \(basic\)](#)

Annual International Conference is Just Around the Corner-- Register Today!

Join us in Philadelphia, PA, for AAMVA's 2018 [Annual International Conference](#) (AIC) August 21-23. **Registration prices go up after August 11**, so if you haven't registered yet, now's the time to do it. Visit www.aamva.org/2018-AIC-Home/ for complete event details and [register online today!](#)

IT Members Needed for NMVTIS Business Rules Working Group

The [NMVTIS Business Rules Working Group](#) (NMVTIS BRWG) has two vacancies and is seeking applications from subject matter experts on NMVTIS programming and working with the jurisdiction's business contacts. Eligible applicants will be expected to attend two in-person meetings per year and virtual meetings on an as needed basis. The working group members also represent the NMVTIS BRWG at various AAMVA events including some of the regional conferences, the international conference, and spring workshop and law institute. Please [complete the application](#) and submit it to committees@aamva.org **no later than close of business on August 24, 2018**. If you have questions, please contact [Casey Garber](#).

Autonomous Vehicle Best Practices Working Group Seeks Applications

AAMVA is looking to fill two vacancies on the [Autonomous Vehicle Best Practices Working Group](#) with jurisdictional members. This Working Group is committed to two face-to-face meetings in 2019 and will hold several conference calls. Members of the group conduct research and draft portions of the guidance in small groups and independently. Members may also be called upon to speak publicly about the working group and/or to provide direct assistance to jurisdictions. Please [complete the application](#) and submit it by **Friday, August 17, 2018** to committees@aamva.org. If you have any questions, contact [Cathie Curtis](#).

REGION 1 NEWS

Maryland Disabled Veteran License Plates Redesigned

The Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs, in collaboration with the Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration, recently announced the release of its redesigned disabled-veterans license plate. [Read the article at heraldmailmediacom.](#)

Massachusetts Unveils New Anti-Stoned Driving Ad

With the debut of recreational marijuana sales imminent, Massachusetts safety officials on Wednesday unveiled a new television ad warning consumers against driving under the drug's influence. The 30-second spot, dubbed "The Roads You Take," is meant to discourage driving while stoned, drunk, or impaired by other drugs. [Read the article at bostonglobe.com.](#)

15 | [ACD Advanced \(advanced\)](#)

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OUR WEBINARS

August 14, 2018 -
[NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – Understanding the Administrative Features](#)

August 21, 2018 -
[NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – How to Correct Title and Brand Data on the Central Site](#)

August 28, 2018 -
[NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – Instant Title Verification Using the VIN Search Feature](#)

August 30, 2018 -
[NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States \(AMIE Version\) – Part 1](#)

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OPEN RFPs

[AAMVA RFP FY18-102: AAMVA Region 3 Chief Administrators Meeting](#)
Deadline: August 20, 2018

New York Using App to Spot Fake IDs, Curb Underage Drinking

New York State is doing something no other state is doing, when it comes to spotting fake IDs and curbing underage drinking. DMV investigators in some parts of the state are already using an app on their phone, which can instantly check for fake IDs and crack down on crime. [Read the article at wgrz.com.](#)

DMV Back Online After Technical Glitch Halts Licensing (Rhode Island)

A technical glitch delayed some transactions at the Rhode Island Division of Motor vehicles on Monday. According to DMV spokesperson Josh Block, the national database for the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators (AAMVA) experienced an outage that impacted DMVs across the country. [Read the article at wpri.com.](#)

REGION 2 NEWS

New Drivers Need to Pay Attention to the Stages and Restrictions of the Graduated Driver's License Law (Alabama)

With the new school year comes a wave of teenagers completing the qualifications to get their driver's license-- adding more drivers to the road, and more distractions. Alabama State Trooper Curtis Summerville says the beginning of a new school year is the perfect time to remind teenagers about Alabama's Graduated Driver's License law. [Read the article at whnt.com.](#)

Mississippi Residents are Waiting Hours — Even Days — to Get a Driver's License

It has been an even longer, hotter summer than usual for the people at Mississippi's driver's license offices. First, the offices are handling more people wanting to renew licenses, to get a license for the first time after moving to the state or to get a passport or a firearms permit or just a photo ID for voting or a new job. Second, it's crunch time for the Real ID Act. [Read the article at sunherald.com.](#)

Technology Issue Affects Some North Carolina DMV Services Tuesday

License plate offices across North Carolina are having computer problems Tuesday afternoon. A technology issue within the N.C. Department of Revenue led to an interruption of certain services at license plate agencies, John Brockwell, a spokesman for the Division of Motor Vehicles, said in a news release. "The problem is not with the DMV computers," Brockwell said. "The problem is with the NCDOR computers that interact with license plate renewal systems." [Read the article at newsobserver.com.](#)

Oklahoma Driver License Computers Up After Second Outage

The Oklahoma Department of Public Safety says computers are back up and running at state tag agencies. Another computer hardware problem caused the driver license system to go down at all sites across the state earlier Tuesday morning. ... At a news conference Tuesday morning, Commissioner Rusty Rhoades said their system is archaic and needs to be stripped down to the core. He said the problems can't be allowed to continue. [Read the article at newson6.com.](#)

Oklahoma Governor Seeks Extension for REAL ID Compliance

Oklahoma Gov. Mary Fallin has asked federal officials for another extension to comply with the REAL ID Act. Fallin said Tuesday the extension would allow Oklahoma driver's licenses and ID cards to be used to gain entry into federal buildings and military installations and to board commercial aircraft through Oct. 10, 2019. Oklahoma's current REAL ID extension expires on Oct. 10, 2018. [Read the article at usnews.com.](#)

Texas Drivers License Offices Struggle to Serve Customers

Drivers License Offices in booming North Texas are struggling to keep up with growing population, even after promised improvements in the wake of NBC 5 Investigates reports 6 years ago. The Texas Department of Public Safety, which issues Driver Licenses opened larger “Mega” offices a few years ago to improve service but those offices are very busy. [Read the article at nbcdfw.com.](#)

REGION 3 NEWS

A Living Laboratory for Connected Cars (Michigan)

At this high-tech proving ground, the roads are packed, and there's no tall fence to keep everything hidden from view. The vehicles being tested look no different than what you find anywhere in the country on a typical day. Here, researchers at the University of Michigan Transportation Research Institute are studying how those vehicles can communicate with the world around them — technology they say is closer to widespread deployment than autonomous vehicles are. [Read the article at autonews.com.](#)

Clock Ticking Again in Missouri Over Airport ID Rules

After getting a reprieve last year, the clock is again ticking on state and federal officials to ensure Missourians can board airplanes and enter federal installations using their current driver's licenses and identification cards. Facing an Oct. 10 deadline to begin complying with the federal REAL ID act, state officials are poised to submit a request for an extension by Aug. 17. [Read the article at stltoday.com.](#)

REGION 4 NEWS

How Do You Prevent a DUI? California Offers New Video Training

Bartenders and servers at bars, nightclubs, wineries and restaurants — as well as anyone interested in learning how to serve drinks responsibly — now have the opportunity to access a free online training video and materials produced by the state Alcoholic Beverage Control agency (ABC). [Read the article at sanluisobispo.com.](#)

Identity-Theft Suspects Found with Fake Licenses, Passports (California)

Authorities say two people arrested on suspicion of identity theft were found in a central California hotel room loaded with fake drivers' licenses, credit cards, passports and personal checks. Police in Folsom say 30-year-old Cody Cannon and 31-year-old Candace Freitas are linked to various crimes across the state. [Read the article at usnews.com.](#)

These 6 California Highways are Among the Most Dangerous in the Nation, Report Says

If you're a driver in California, here's some essential information — six of the nation's top 50 most dangerous highways are in the Golden State, according to a report. [Read the article at sanluisobispo.com.](#)

California Lawmakers Ask DMV Officials About Long Lines

Hours-long wait times at California Department of Motor Vehicles offices in recent months have been unacceptable, the agency's leader told lawmakers at a Tuesday hearing in response to public outcry over the delays. DMV Director Jean Shiimoto told lawmakers wait times spiked several months ago as Californians update their licenses to meet new federal security standards known as Real ID. The agency underestimated how long it would take to explain the new requirements to customers and ensure they have necessary documents, Shiimoto said. [Read the article at sfgate.com.](#)

Feel the Burn: Pueblo Chile License Plates Available Starting Monday (Colorado)

Some Colorado license plates will soon reflect one of Pueblo's favorite commodities — the Pueblo Chile — while also showing support for local farmers who grow it. After months of working to get the famous pepper to appear on a Colorado specialty license

plate, the Visit Pueblo Convention and Visitors Bureau, Pueblo Chile Growers Association and Greater Pueblo Chamber of Commerce were happy to announce Friday the upcoming order availability. [Read the article at chieftain.com.](#)

People Wait 4-Plus Hours at DMV After New Software Rolls Out Statewide (Colorado)

People waiting at a Denver Department of Motor Vehicle location said it took more than four hours to get through the line on Monday. A spokesman attributed the long wait times to workers adjusting to new software rolled out statewide. Monday was the first day most locations were open around the state with the new software. The DMV's previous software was installed in the 1980s. [Read the article at kdvr.com.](#)

OTHER NEWS

GM Brings in White Hats to Make Sure Hackers Can't Breach Self-Driving Cars

Highly computerized cars could mean consumers' data is vulnerable or the driver safety might be endangered if car companies aren't prepared to cut off any data breach or threat to cybersecurity at the pass. General Motors is taking no chances. It's bringing in those exact people who might do the infiltration to help thwart it. [Read the article at govtech.com.](#)

Study Finds Self-Driving Cars Repeatedly Fail to Stop for Obstacles

Self-driving cars have been found to not stop for certain obstacles or have presented other dangerous situations unless a driver takes immediate manual control, according to a new study from the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS). During a sequence of on-road and track tests for BMW, Mercedes-Benz, Tesla and Volvo, IIHS researchers discovered that self-driving cars repeatedly either failed to recognize obstacles or failed to stop when presented with one. Other times, the cars would crash in response to an obstacle if the driver didn't take over, IIHS said. [Read the article at thehill.com.](#)

Tests Uncover Issues for Advanced Features

On-road and track tests of adaptive cruise control and active lane-keeping show performance can be inconsistent in typical driving situations. [Read more at ihs.org.](#)

DID YOU KNOW?

On Twitter

@AAMVAConnection has been watching the twitter feed and decided to highlight some of the tweets here. Links are provided within most of the tweets, and we have also provided a link to each tweet as well. Note that you do not have to have an account or sign in to Twitter to view the message posts, images associated with the post, and the reach of the message (retweets, favorited, etc.).

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Video: Sometimes, our friends and family members need a nudge to remember that thinking "I have never been in an accident while distracted" doesn't mean it won't happen. Help us spread the word by retweeting. <http://ow.ly/AviL30IIWo7>
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Ralph Northam @GovernorVA | [View the Tweet](#)

Ralph Northam Retweeted Mark Herring

Virginia will be first in the nation to use these funds for an electric vehicle charging network and I couldn't be more energized.

Mark Herring @MarkHerringVA

Great news for Virginia! This is a HUGE expansion of electric vehicle infrastructure that will be paid for with money my team and I secured through a settlement with Volkswagen. wtop.com/business-finan...

DelawareDMV @DelawareDMV | [View the Tweet](#)

DE DMV is implementing a voluntary medical indicator for Delawareans who wish to share important medical conditions with first responders & law enforcement. The medical indicator symbol will appear on the front of the ID & the specific medical condition will appear on the back.

All New
Medical Indicator
 Delaware DMV's voluntary medical condition program

Diabetes
Autism
Seizures

The new medical indicator appears on the front of the Delaware Driver License or Identification Card and the specific medical condition will appear on the back of the credential. Some examples include: hearing impaired, visually impaired, PTSD, Autism, etc.

The medical indicator is entirely voluntary, and not a requirement.

SD Highway Patrol @SDHighwayPatrol | [View the Tweet](#)

Let's try something different today and declare it Fatality Free Friday. Like and support by #slowdown, #payattention, #moveover, and as Winnie the Pooh would say; think, think, think #safety.

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