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Region III and IV Representatives Needed for IDEC Executive Board

AAMVA is looking for volunteers to serve as the Region III and IV Representatives on the International Driver Examiner Certification (IDEC) Executive Board, a permanent AAMVA Executive Board which is directly responsible for maintaining and distributing new and revised IDEC materials to the AAMVA members. [More details](#) about these opportunities are available on AAMVA's Web site. [Applications](#) must be submitted to committees@aamva.org **no later than close of business on Friday, February 19, 2016**. (Please cc your submission to Denise Hanchulak at dhanchulak@aamva.org).

CDL Coordinators: New Training Courseware for CDL Examiners is Now Available!

The *AAMVA Certified Commercial Examiner - CDL Training Courseware for State and Third Party CDL Examiners* is now available, and each CDL Coordinator should have received a set in the mail. The courseware is a set of comprehensive training modules designed to assist jurisdictions in meeting federal CDL Examiner Training and certification requirements. It can be tailored for use in a classroom, as a self-paced online training course or a blended program(classroom and online) for training and certifying State CCE/CDL Knowledge and Skills Test Examiners and Third Party CDL Skills Test Examiners to conduct CDL knowledge and skills tests. For more information, please contact [Denise Hanchulak](#), Program Director, Certification & Standards.

Jurisdictions and AAMVA Seeking Proposals

Jurisdiction members with open Requests for Proposals (RFPs) can raise visibility and solicit more responses by posting RFPs/RFIs on AAMVA's Web site. Simply send solicitation details to WebUpdates@aamva.org. Currently listed on www.aamva.org/Open-RFPs/:

- **Maryland MVA - Project Core MVA System Modernization RFP** (Deadline: April 4)
- **Virginia DMV RFP 154-15-021: Q-Up Customer Flow Management Solution** (Deadline: March 8)
- **AAMVA RFP #16-003 - Fraud Detection & Remediation (FDR) Outsource** (Deadline: March 1)
- **AAMVA RFP #16-002 - Event Speaker** (Deadline: ASAP)

OUR EVENTS

FEBRUARY

9-10 | [Autonomous Vehicles Best Practices Working Group Meeting](#)

San Antonio, TX
By invitation only

MARCH



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MAY



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OUR WEBINARS

FEBRUARY

9, 16 | [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) 3.0 Understanding the New Data Elements](#)
2:00 - 3:00 pm ET

24 | [2016 Fraud Detection and Remediation \(FDR\) Training](#)
2:00 - 3:00 pm ET

OUR SURVEYS

The following surveys are open are still accepting responses:

[Outsourcing Call Center Services](#)
(Ends 03/04/2016)

[Suspend Registration for failure to pay toll fees](#) (Ends 03/01/2016)

[Leadership Development Programs for DMV Staff](#)(Ends 02/29/2016)

The list is updated as requests come in, so industry members should check the [Open RFPs/RFIs page](#) frequently!

REGION I NEWS

Man Accused of Selling Fake New York State Inspection Stickers

A New York City man is accused of advertising and selling fraudulent state vehicle inspection stickers. Nassau County police say Octavian Ocasio, of Brooklyn, was arrested after undercover detectives bought a fake inspection sticker from him at a parking lot in Lynbrook. [Read the full story at TheDailyStar.com.](#)

‘Auto-Brewery Syndrome:’ Woman Says her Body Brews Alcohol, Gets DUI Charge Dismissed (New York)

Imagine being charged with a DUI when it’s been hours since you’ve had a drink, only to later discover that your body brews its own alcohol. That’s what happened to an upstate New York woman when she blew a blood alcohol level more than four times the legal limit. Just before Christmas in Hamburg, New York, a judge dismissed the charges after being presented with evidence the woman suffers from “auto-brewery syndrome.” [Read the full story at Q13Fox.com.](#)

Over 6 Million Transactions Done on DMV Website, Agency Says (New York)

New York’s Department of Motor Vehicles says more than six million transactions were processed on its website last year, up by 500,000 from the year before. [Read the full story at Newsday.com.](#)

DMV Presents Boy with DStrong License Plate (Rhode Island)

He’s not old enough to drive, but 8-year-old Dorian Murray already has his own vanity license plate. The Rhode Island Department of Motor Vehicles Wednesday presented the Westerly boy with a commemorative DStrong license plate during a ceremony at the DMV’s Wakefield branch. [Read the full story at KRGE.com.](#)

REGION II NEWS

Two Arrested After Illegal Driver’s Licenses Distributed (Florida)

Two Palm Bay Tag Office workers are accused of giving valid driver’s licenses to people who hadn’t earned them. Florida Highway Patrol said it looked into this when the Hillsborough County Tax Collector Office tipped them off. [Read the full story at WFTV.com.](#)

Transportation Cabinet Adds New Website Feature Just In Time for Tax Season (Kentucky)

The Kentucky Division of Motor Vehicle Licensing has introduced a new feature on their website that makes it easier for motorists to access their 2015 vehicle property taxes for the upcoming tax season. Now, individuals who normally would contact their county clerks for this information can access it directly at

[Automated Testing System](#) (Ends 02/29/2016)

[Do Not Resuscitate](#) (Ends 02/23/2016)

[Out of State Third Party Transactions](#) (Ends 02/22/2016)

[Facial Recognition](#) (Ends 02/19/2016)

[CDL Third Party Testing](#) (Ends 02/15/2016)

[Disabled Parking Placards](#) (Ends 02/12/2016)

[Paperless DMV](#) (Ends 02/12/2016)

[Point System Process](#) (Ends 02/12/2016)

[Field Office Frontline Employee Certification](#) (Ends 02/12/2016)

[Lighting and Safety Measures for Tow Trucks](#) (Ends 02/11/2016)

[REAL ID residency documents](#) (Ends 02/08/2016)

These jurisdictions appreciate your assistance with their research. If you need a Web password or have any questions about using the survey tool, please send an e-mail to webportalsupport@aamva.org or call Janice Dluzynski at 703-908-5842.

All online surveys can be found [on the AAMVA Web site here](#).

<http://drive.ky.gov>. [Read the full press release](#).

Governor Bevin Announces Appointment of Greg Thomas as Deputy Secretary of the Transportation Cabinet (Kentucky)

Governor Matt Bevin today announced the appointment of Greg Thomas as Deputy Secretary of the Kentucky Transportation Cabinet. Thomas has worked for LG&E and KU Energy LLC for more than 25 years. [Read the full press release](#).

Error Found on Some Oklahoma Driver Licenses, ID Cards

The Oklahoma Department of Public Safety has announced that an error has been found on some Oklahoma driver licenses and identification cards. The holographic security emblem that should appear on the front of each individual license or card may, in some instances, appear on the back or not at all. [Read the DPS press release](#).

Virginia Bill Would Crack Down on Out-of-State Toll Cheaters

Some small-time toll violators who live outside of Virginia, like D.C. or Maryland, don't ever pay for skipping out on tolls. But a bill moving through the Virginia General Assembly could force out-of-state scofflaws to pay up. [Read the full story at WTOP.com](#).

REGION III NEWS

Ohio Supreme Court to Review Police Liability in Chase

The Ohio Supreme Court will review if police can be held liable for injuries caused to a Lebanon school teacher when Miami Twp. officers and Montgomery County Sheriff's deputies pursued a burglary suspect in 2011. [Read the full story at Journal-News.com](#).

Citizens with 65+ Years Can Now Get Non-Expiring IDs (Wisconsin)

Wisconsin now allows its residents who are U.S. citizens age 65 and over to obtain an ID card which never needs to be renewed. The new non-expiring ID card carries the same appearance and security features as traditional eight-year cards, with the words "Non-expiring" appearing in place of the typical expiration date. [Read the DOT press release](#).

Wisconsin State Patrol is Recruiting for Troopers and Inspectors

The Wisconsin State Patrol is recruiting for troopers and inspectors for its next recruit class, which will begin training on October 2, 2016, and graduate on April 7, 2017. The application deadline is March 14, 2016. [Read the DOT press release](#).

REGION IV NEWS

DMV Investigations Conducts Curbstoning Operation in San Diego (California)

Neighbors called KUSI's Michael Turko when no one would help them with an illegal used car racket, so Turko turned to a state agency he's dealt with before and he got results! Turko spoke with DMV Investigations Deputy Chief Gregory Huber. [Read the full story at MMS.TVEyes.com](http://MMS.TVEyes.com).

Bill Would Expand Opportunities for Private Industry at DMV (California)

New legislation recently introduced by Assembly member Bill Brough, R-Dana Point, would enable the California DMV to partner with third-party providers on more of the department's core services. [Read the full story at TechWire.net](http://TechWire.net).

Pilot Program to Explore Charging Drivers Per Mile (California)

California drivers could be charged a tax for every mile we drive. Caltrans is launching a pilot program to see how it would work. Right now, Caltrans get a majority of their funds through the state gas tax, but with more people turning to fuel efficient cars and dropping gas prices, they're not making enough. [Read the full story at KRCTV.com](http://KRCTV.com).

Colorado Democrats Push for More Offices Issuing Immigrant Driver's Licenses

Democrats in the Colorado Legislature will again push to expand an immigrant driver's license program after Republicans last year scaled it back. Speaking at a news conference surrounded by undocumented immigrants – some of whom have waited two years without a license – advocates painted the issue as being about fairness and safety. [Read the full story at DurangoHerald.com](http://DurangoHerald.com).

Lawmaker Moves to Get Rid of Front License Plates (Idaho)

An Idaho lawmaker is looking to eliminate the use of front-facing license plates on vehicles registered in the state. [Read the full story at M.SFGate.com](http://M.SFGate.com).

Group Launched to Help Nevada Thrive in Development of Autonomous Cars

An economic development organization Tuesday approved the formation of the Center for Advanced Mobility, part of a state initiative to place Nevada on the cutting edge of automobile technology at a time when the industry is quickly pushing to develop autonomous vehicles. [Read the full story at VegasInc.com](http://VegasInc.com).

Real ID Bill Hits a Snag Over Fingerprinting Issue (New Mexico)

Does the fate of Real ID compliance for New Mexico rest on a dispute over fingerprinting? It sounded that way Wednesday, as House Republicans described it as a deal-breaker. But with the 30-day legislative session just halfway over, there are likely more twists and turns in store. [Read the full story at ABQJournal.com](http://ABQJournal.com).

OTHER NEWS

Google Preparing to Expand Self-Driving Car Program to Four More Cities

But which four cities will make the cut? Google is preparing to expand its self-driving car project to four more U.S. cities, a recent Federal Communications Commission document suggests. Chris Urmson, director of the Google self-driving car program, asked the FCC on January 26 to renew an experimental authority license that allows it to test radio transmitters in the 76 GHz range—likely used by the radar system on its cars. The filing was first reported by Mark Harris for IEEE Spectrum. [Read the full story at Fortune.com.](#)

Study: 1 in 7 Drivers Suffer Memory Blanks Behind The Wheel

Having trouble remembering all the details of your drive to work today? Turns out you might not be alone. According to a British study, more than one in seven drivers admit they regularly suffer memory blanks on the road. [Read the full story at Pittsburgh.CBSLocal.com.](#)

Jaguar Land Rover to Test Autonomous Vehicles on UK Roads

Jaguar Land Rover has revealed plans to test autonomous and connected vehicle technology on 41 miles of public roads, as part of a UK Connected Intelligent Transport Environment (CITE) project that's worth £5.5 million. [Read the full story at AutoCar.CO.UK.](#)

Toyota Recalls 320,000 Trucks, SUVs for Air Bag Problem

Toyota is recalling about 320,000 trucks and SUVs because the roof-mounted air bags can inflate without a crash. The recall covers the 2005 and 2006 Toyota Tundra and Sequoia, the 2003 through 2006 Land Cruiser, and the 2004 through 2006 4-Runner. Also included are the 2003 through 2006 Lexus LX 470 and the 2004 through 2006 GX 470. [Read the full story at News10.com.](#)

Honda Expands Recall of Takata Airbags as It's Longtime Partner's Crisis Widens

In the latest sign that automakers are still struggling to understand the scope of the Takata airbag crisis, Honda Motor said on Wednesday that it would expand its recall by more than a third in North America. [Read the full story at Mobile.NYTimes.com.](#)

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.).

Stay on top of "Twitter-town talk". You may be surprised at what you're missing! Follow @AAMVAConnection. (<http://twitter.com/#!/AAMVAConnection>)

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In 1948 I signed the Kentucky State Police Act that created the @kystatepolice ..One of my proudest accomplishments!

• **IBTTA @IBTTA | [View the Tweet](#)**

Tolling: It All Comes Back to Finance at IBTTA's Policy Summit #tollroads
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11% of you watching #SB50 will be lining up a sober ride. Here's what else you said about your plans: <http://ow.ly/XZEaj>

• **Georgia DDS (DMV) @GeorgiaDDS | [View the Tweet](#)**

Our Decatur office is slammed. Visit our Lithonia office close by for minimal waits. 8040 Rockbridge Rd Lithonia GA . Pre apply and save time

• **Safe Roads Alliance @Safe_Roads | [View the Tweet](#)**

AZ - Texting and Driving: Should Arizona ban it?
<http://www.tucsonnewsnow.com/story/....> ... @ACNSC – Arizona NSC
@OwnUpArizona @AZSADD @StopDstrxns @End_DD

• **Indiana BMV @INBMV | [View the Tweet](#)**

Do you know what to do if you're involved in an accident? Visit <http://ow.ly/XOoVX> for info and tips

• **TN GHSO @TNGHSO | [View the Tweet](#)**

According to TN crash data from 2004-2015, crashes are more likely to occur on Friday than any other day of the week <http://ow.ly/XZveH>

• **Doug McFayden @TruckerDougYEG | [View the Tweet](#)**

Doug McFayden Retweeted T.D.R.S.C.
Good job by enforcement @AMTA_ca @RalphHaigh @mikedpayton
@MichelleSpacil @CVSA @AlbertaSheriffs @RCMPAlberta

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Quite the laundry list of violations here found by Alberta CVE
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