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OUR EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

14-15 | [2016 September NDR Working Group Meeting](#)

New Orleans, LA

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14-15 | [2016 September Autonomous Vehicles Best Practices Working Group Meeting](#)

Kansas City, MO

Autonomous Vehicles Best Practice Working Group members only

21-22 | [2016 September System Modernization Working Group Meeting](#)

Salt Lake City, UT

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AAMVA Presents at GHSA Annual Meeting



AAMVA President and CEO, Anne Ferro, spoke at the [Governors Highway Safety Association's Annual Meeting](#) last week in Seattle, WA. Ferro presented in the General Session, *The Road to Autonomous Vehicles - Implications for Driver Behavior*. Ferro joined with Chris Mullen, Director of Technological Research at State Farm, to discuss autonomous

vehicle technologies from the perspective of insurance and state driver licensing professionals, focusing on the evolving role of the driver. The session also featured Wayne Bahr, Global Director for Automotive Safety for Ford Motor Company, who spoke about auto manufacturers' creation of and response to these increasingly popular technologies.

AAMVA at Florida Tax Collectors Annual Education Forum



AAMVA's Director of Identity Management, Geoff Slagle, was invited to provide an overview of our community's efforts around Mobile Driver Licenses (mDL) to the Florida Tax Collectors Annual Education Forum last week in Orlando. The goal of the Forum is education; that learning comes from connecting with partners and associates. This year's

forum offered leadership training, continuing education courses, and networking opportunities. The mDL session was part of a Division of Motorist Services track that also included sessions on fraud detection, emergency contact initiatives, and motorist modernization.

NMVTIS Annual Report and Financial Audit

The National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS) Final Rule requires AAMVA, as the system operator, to prepare an annual report and procure an independent financial audit. The online [NMVTIS Annual Report 2015](#) is the seventh publication and was recently published by the U.S. Department of Justice. It covers October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015 and details the performance of NMVTIS during the twelve month reporting period.

New Mexico Conducts Online Inquiries and Updates in NMVTIS

AAMVA is very pleased to announce that New Mexico moved from conducting standalone inquiries and batch updates to integrated online inquiries and updates in NMVTIS. Congratulations, New Mexico! For more information about NMVTIS federal compliance requirements, please contact [Marney Michalowski](#), NMVTIS Program Manager.

DIVS Newsletters Available on AAMVA Website

AAMVA hosts all the monthly DIVS newsletters on the AAMVA website. [The most recent issue](#) has just been published and is available to download and view. Visit <http://www.aamva.org/State-to-State-Documentation/> for more information.

OCTOBER



OUR WEBINARS

SEPTEMBER

- 7 | [Overview of SPEXS Master Specification Format & Duplicate Pointer Processing](#)
- 13 | [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – Understanding the Administrative Features](#)
- 20 | [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – Instant Title Verification Using the VIN Search Feature](#)
- 27 | [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – How to Correct Title and Brand Data on the Central Site](#)
- 28 | [Understanding and Using: New CD90.7.4 Out-of-State \(OOS\) Convictions and Withdrawals Posting Report](#)

OPEN RFPs

Check out [AAMVA's Open RFPs here](#) for potential opportunities.

OUR SURVEYS

Please respond to these surveys from Illinois, Montana, British Columbia, Utah, Delaware, Arkansas, and AAMVA.

[Road Tests Using Vehicles Subject to Recall](#) (Ends 09/26/2016) Responses received from DC, FL, GA, IL, LA, NH, NY, OH, TX, VA, VT.

[Drug & Alcohol Testing for Law Enforcement Officer](#) (Ends 09/15/2016) Responses received from AR, DC, IL, ME, MN, NC, NH, NJ, NT, OH, VA, WA, WI.

[Motorcycle Licensing & Testing Best Practices](#) (Ends 09/23/2016) Responses received from AL, BC, DE, FL, IL, ME, MN, MS, NH, SK, TN, UT, VA, VT.

[Driver License Funding](#) (Ends 09/26/2016) Responses received from AB, AR, FL, GA, IA, IN, MD, MN, ND, NE, NH, NM, NY, PA, VA, VT.

[DL and ID Cards](#) (Ends 09/13/2016) Responses received from AB, AL, GA, IA, IL, LA, ME, MI, MN, MS, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NT, NY, OR, TX, UT, WV.

[Vehicle trade in allowance](#) (Ends 09/23/2016) Responses received from AL, CA, DC, GA, ID, IL, KY, MD, MI, MN, MT, NJ, NM, NY, OH, OK, OR, PA, UT, VA, VT, WY.

[State to State Implementation](#) (Ends 09/30/2016) Responses received from DC, DE, GA, NC, ND, NE, NH, OR, VA, WI, WV.

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](#).

S2S Training is Now Available to ALL States

State-to-State training is now available to all states. Previously this training was available only for participating jurisdictions. The State-to-State (S2S) Verification Service is a means for states to electronically check with all other participating states to determine if the applicant currently holds a driver license or identification card in another state. State participation in S2S is voluntary. To enroll in S2S training, please visit <http://www.aamva.org/systems-training/>

This Week's Webinars

[Overview of SPEXS Master Specification Format & Duplicate Pointer Processing](#)

September 7, 2016, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)

An introduction to the SPEXS Master Specification format that will help jurisdictions understand the formatting changes for SPEXS Master Specification vs the old CDLIS Master Specification, as well as new information that is available in the SPEXS Master Specification.

JURISDICTION NEWS

OReGO Awarded FAST Act Grant of \$2.1 Million

The Federal Highway Administration awarded the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) \$2.1 million to further develop OReGO, the nation's premier Road Usage Charge Program. ODOT successfully launched OReGO July 1, 2015. The fully operational system is functioning effectively with 1,263 vehicles enrolled to date. "Our vision," said Travis Brouwer, ODOT Assistant Director, "is to transition this functional program into a viable program that could realistically help bridge the growing gap between fuels tax collection and transportation infrastructure needs." With a year's experience, ODOT has demonstrated that charging per mile instead of per gallon is feasible. "We've learned how to run a road usage charge system using private sector partners, which no other state has done before," said Brouwer. "Leveraging the private sector makes the per-mile charge concept viable by injecting choice and innovation into the system," he said. [Read more here](#).

FEDERAL NEWS

State Department Publishes Passport Denial and Revocation Rule

The United States Department of State has published a [final rule](#) providing changes and updates to the Department of State passport rules as a result of the passage of the International Megan's Law (IML) to Prevent Child Exploitation and Other Sexual Crimes Through Advanced Notification of Traveling Sex Offenders (IML) and the Fixing America's Surface Transportation (FAST) Act. This final rule incorporates statutory passport denial and revocation requirements for certain covered sex offenders under the IML, persons with a seriously delinquent tax debt as defined by the FAST Act, and those persons who submit a passport application without a correct and valid Social Security number. The amended rule incorporate new provisions for denial and revocation of passport books that do not contain conspicuous identifiers for covered sex offenders as defined in 42 USC 16935a. The rule provides for denial of passport cards to these same covered sex offenders, as passport cards are not able to contain the unique identifier required. The rule requires denial of a passport to an individual who is certified by the Secretary of the Treasury as having a seriously delinquent tax debt as described in 26 USC 7345. Finally, the rule permits denial of a passport to an individual who does not include his or her Social Security number or willfully, intentionally, negligently, or recklessly includes an incorrect or invalid Social Security number on his or her passport application. The effective date of this regulation is September 2, 2016.

U.S. Supreme Court Denies North Carolina's Voter ID Law Reinstatement Request

The U.S. Supreme Court [denied](#) North Carolina Governor Pat McCrory's emergency request to reinstate the state's voter identification law provisions struck down by a federal appeals court. The governor's request asked for a reinstatement

of three provisions concerning voter identification, early voting and pre-registration for 16 year olds. The court was deadlocked 4-4 in its decision.

NHTSA Publishes NPRM Expanding Recall Notification Methodology for Manufacturers

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) has [published](#) a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) that would amend the means of recall notification from manufacturers to be in an electronic manner in addition to first class mail. This NPRM satisfies Section 24104 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST Act). Through this proposed rule, NHTSA also seeks to improve the efficacy of recalls by requiring manufacturers to send additional notifications of defects or noncompliance with applicable Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards (FMVSS) if a second notification by the manufacturer does not result in an adequate number of motor vehicles or replacement equipment being returned for remedy. Comments on the NPRM must be received on or before **October 31, 2016**.

TSM.gov Has Been Redesigned

NHTSA's Traffic Safety Marketing (TSM) has a new look and feel. Thanks to the feedback and comments received from TSM subscribers, partners, and highway safety advocates, [TSM.gov](#) was redesigned. Its more significant improvements include, but are not limited to:

- Upgraded search engine functionality;
- Increased material availability; and
- Web mobile friendliness.

Please take a minute or two to explore the new and improved [TSM site](#) and feel free to submit comments and feedback [here](#).

PARTNER NEWS

GHSA National Highway Safety Awards Presented in Seattle

The Governors Highway Safety Association (GHSA) presented its [2016 highway safety awards](#) to two individuals who have made a strong impact on improving highway safety nationally and four programs focusing on the country's foremost highway safety challenges at a luncheon as part of its [2016 Annual Meeting in Seattle](#). The Foundation for Advancing Alcohol Responsibility ([Responsibility.org](#)) sponsored the luncheon. GHSA presented its most prestigious honor, the [James J. Howard Highway Safety Trailblazer Award](#), to **David A. Sleet, Ph.D.**, Associate Director for Science with the National Center for Injury Prevention and Control at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). The [Kathryn J.R. Swanson Public Service Award](#) was presented to **Betty Mercer**, a former Governor's Representative at the Michigan Office of Highway Safety Planning who now runs a consulting practice focusing on traffic safety policy, planning and leadership development. GHSA also presented four [Peter K. O'Rourke Special Achievement Awards](#) for outstanding highway safety accomplishments during the previous calendar year to the following programs:

- The Connecticut DOT and UConn Transportation Safety Research Center Crash Data Improvement
- The New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee and ITSMR DRE Tablet Application
- The North Carolina Initiative to Reduce Underage Drinking
- Texas Municipal Traffic Safety Initiatives

More information on these awards can be found at <http://ghsa.org/html/meetings/awards/2016/16index.html>.

NICB News Release - Louisiana Update - Flooded Vehicles Could Flood Market

The August downpours that dumped more than 30 inches of rain in two days on parts of Louisiana have left as many as 100,000 cars and trucks damaged – and

that's only counting insured vehicles. The National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB), says claims reporting and vehicle recovery efforts that were initially slowed by the large scale flooding are now in full swing and, according to the state's Division of Motor Vehicles, the numbers are much higher than originally expected. To view a video report from the scene, click [here](#). Based on the extensive vehicle losses following Hurricane Katrina in 2005, Louisiana enacted strong measures to help protect unsuspecting consumers from buying a flood-damaged vehicle. Once an insured vehicle has been determined by the insurer to have been flood damaged it is towed to one of the auction facilities and processed with a new title that indicates it has been water damaged. In Louisiana, during an emergency like the recent flooding, the severity of flood water damage may require a Certificate of Destruction. In that case, the vehicle has to be crushed, or sold to a company that will dismantle it for parts and destroy what remains. The vehicle identification number (VIN) is entered into the state's records, NICB's VINCheckSM, and the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System (NMVTIS) so that the consumers can check a vehicle history before purchasing a used car or truck. [Read more here.](#)

National Competition Recognizes Five Southern States for Excellence in Transportation Infrastructure

The departments of transportation of five states – Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky and Tennessee – won awards in a national competition that recognizes excellence in transportation projects that improve travel safety, reduce roadway congestion and provide more travel options to consumers. The American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials presented the awards at the Southern Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (SASHTO) conference in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia. [Read more here.](#)

TRB 2017 Annual Meeting Registration

Register now for the Transportation Research Board 96th Annual Meeting, January 8-12, 2017 in Washington, DC. Registration is required for *all* Annual Meeting attendees, including session speakers, poster presenters, and those who attend any workshop or visit the exhibits. Register online by November 30 to take advantage of lower fees and to obtain a hotel guest room. Registration is required to secure a guest room within the [TRB Hotel Block](#). [Read more here.](#)



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