

Have a Safe and Happy Holiday Season - AAMVA's The Week In Review For December 17, 2012

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AAMVA wishes a happy and healthy holiday season to all - and that starts with safe travels to your holiday destinations.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) joined with local law enforcement officers, Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) and the Governors Highway Safety Association to kick-off the Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over [holiday campaign to address drunk driving](#), which runs from December 12 - January 1. Marketing materials for the campaign from Traffic Safety Marketing are available [here](#).

NHTSA also released new 2011 state-by-state drunk driving statistics showing that in 2011, 9,878 people were killed in drunk driving crashes, including 395 during the second half of December alone. For more information, visit [here](#)

Call for Work Group Volunteers and Information regarding CDL Audit Policies/Procedures

AAMVA has been awarded funding through the FY 2012 Commercial Driver's License Program Improvement grant to form a Working Group to review CDL auditing methods utilized by states; and to develop a comprehensive CDL audit resource program for auditing State CDL Knowledge & Skills Examiners, Third Party Testers and Third Party Examiners to ensure compliance with FMCSRs regarding CDL program oversight.

The Working Group will focus on the requirements of the Final Rule specifically related to the training, testing, record keeping and auditing requirements pertaining to CDL Knowledge & Skills Examiners, Third Party Testers and Third Party Examiners.

The goal of the Working Group is to develop a comprehensive CDL Audit Resource Program, an Auditing training package; and Best Practices for utilization by State Motor Vehicle Agencies (MVAs) and/or FMCSA State Directors and staff personnel when conducting audits/reviews, as well as a tool to train "auditors/staff" to provide CDL program oversight and ensure compliance with the Commercial Driver's License Testing & Commercial Learner's Permit Standards Final Rule.

Work Group volunteers must be well versed in :

- The training, testing, record keeping and auditing requirements as specified in 49 CFR §383 and §384
- CDL Knowledge and Skills Test administration
- Certifying, monitoring and auditing CDL Third Party Testers and Third Party Examiners
- Auditing State CDL Examiners

If you are interested in volunteering for this Work Group, please submit an expression of interest as well as information regarding your qualifications/experience via email to Karen Morton, Program Director kmorton@aamva.org by close of business on **Friday, December 28, 2012** . Be sure to submit the request via the chain of command in your jurisdiction.

We are also interested in Audit Programs, policies, procedures, forms, training materials, etc that are being utilized by any jurisdiction. Please submit this information to Karen Morton via email at kmorton@aamva.org; or to her attention via US mail as soon as possible.

GRANT OPPORTUNITY: Pilot Test of AAMVA's Noncommercial Driver's Manual and Knowledge Test Item Pool

AAMVA has been awarded funding to conduct a pilot test of the Noncommercial Driver's Manual and Knowledge Test in one jurisdiction. The purpose of the pilot is to evaluate the effectiveness of the Driver's Manual by entry level drivers; and to determine test question validity, reliability, knowledge domains, and test question level of difficulty.

Period of performance:

One (1) year (commencing immediately upon selection of the jurisdiction by AAMVA/NHTSA)

Available funding:
\$94,500

In order to qualify for consideration, the jurisdiction must:

- Provide at least one staff member who will be responsible for the in-State Pilot Test oversight and program management
- Have the capability to print and distribute the model Driver Manual
- Identify which manual (NMDTS or current State manual) that each applicant read prior to taking the knowledge test
- Add the NMDTS Knowledge Test Questions to their Automated Testing System (ATS)
- Administer the NMDTS Knowledge Test to all entry-level driver applicants for at least six (6) months and retain test results
- Provide required data reports on a scheduled basis and in an automated format (TBD) defined by the AAMVA Project Manager

The first two months allow time for printing the new manuals, revising the knowledge test item pool in your automated testing system (ATS) and developing the required reports. The next three months are for distribution of the new manual. The next six to seven months would be administration of the new knowledge test, data collection and reporting. Specific data elements* for collection/reporting are:

- Number of manuals printed
- Number of manuals distributed
- Which manual the applicant studied prior to taking the knowledge test
- Number of times that each question in the item pool was asked
- Number of times that each question was answered correctly
- Number of times that each question was answered incorrectly

* Specific data elements listed above are not all inclusive and are subject to change

Expressions of interest must be submitted to Karen Morton at kmorton@aamva.org.

CDLIS Timeliness, Data Quality, and Capabilities Reports for Jurisdictions

At the direction and support of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), AAMVA produces monthly reports on the Commercial Driver's License Information System (CDLIS) Timeliness, Data Quality, and Capabilities of all jurisdictions. The reports for November are now ready for your review.

If your State would like to receive these reports, please send a request to helpdesk@aamva.org.

New RFP/RFI Posted

The following RFP/RFIs have now been posted on AAMVA's website:

RFP: Digital Driver's License/Identification Card and Facial Recognition Systems (Illinois Secretary of State)

The Office of the Secretary of State in Illinois has a bid opportunity for the purchase and migration to a digital driver's license/identification card and facial recognition system. This RFP closes on February 5, 2013, 2 PM (CT).

For more information, and for the full RFP document and cost proposal worksheet, visit

<http://www.aamva.org/Open-RFPs/>

RFI: Facial Recognition (FR) & Digital Photo License (DPL) Systems (Oregon DOT)

The Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) has issued a formal Request for Information (RFI) on product options for facial recognition (FR) and digital photo licensing (DPL) systems. Please understand that you are in no way obligated to respond to the RFI as a condition of any future dealings with the State of Oregon.

Submitting vendors could potentially provide services and a technical solution that:

- Integrates with Oregon DMV systems,
- Captures customer images and signatures,
- Prints interim cards at the point of sale,
- Produces AAMVA compliant driver license and identification cards (DL/ID),
- Produces and distributes driver license and identification cards from a central factory, and

- Provides facial recognition functionality (i.e., 1:1 and 1:N).

This RFI closes on December 20, 2012, 2 PM (PT). For more information, and for the full RFI document, visit

<http://www.aamva.org/Open-RFPs/>.

Job Opportunities Now Available

Wisconsin Department of Transportation has two DOT Program Chief positions open located in Madison, WI. The deadline to apply by taking a civil service exam is January 4th.

For more information and to apply, visit the following link:

http://wisc.jobs/public/job_view.asp?annoid=63543&jobid=63058&index=true

Georgia Department of Driver Services (DDS) Names New Deputy Commissioner

Department of Driver Services (DDS) Commissioner Rob Mikell recently announced the appointment of Spencer R. Moore as Deputy Commissioner effective December 16, 2012. Moore presently serves as Deputy Director of the Governor's Office of Highway Safety (GOHS).

During his 14 years at GOHS, Moore has established himself as a national leader in highway safety issues by coordinating programs designed to reduce highway safety crashes, injuries and fatalities. Prior to joining GOHS, he served with the State Board of Pardons and Paroles and has been certified through the Georgia Peace Officer Standards and Training Council (POST) for over 15 years.

At DDS, Moore will provide leadership and oversight for operations. He will work closely with Commissioner Mikell to identify methods to strengthen the entire agency while focusing on the customer service values of communication, accountability, respect, and ethics.

Moore graduated from Morehouse College in 1996 and holds a BA in Political Science. He later received his MBA from the University of Phoenix. Moore is a Deacon at the Voices of Faith Christian Church and a past president of the Stone Mountain-Lithonia Alumni Chapter of the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. He and his wife, Ava have a daughter and reside in Snellville.

Texas DPS Announces New Driver License Mega Center Offices Opening

The Texas Department of Public Safety (DPS) Director Steven McCraw and Public Safety Commission (PSC) Chair Cynthia Leon were joined by local lawmakers at ribbon cutting ceremonies for two new DPS Driver License Mega Centers. The two new offices, which will increase driver license capacity in the greater Houston area, officially opened Friday, Dec. 14, at 8 a.m.

The 82nd Texas Legislature provided \$63 million in funding to DPS to open six mega centers, hire 266 additional employees, and purchase equipment and technology to improve customer service and the efficiency of the state's driver license system. DPS opened the first mega center in October. Two other mega centers in the Dallas-Fort Worth area and another in the San Antonio area are scheduled to open by the end of January 2013. The mega centers will leverage new technology to help DPS employees more quickly and efficiently serve customers at these driver license offices. For more information, visit [here](#).