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AAMVA's The Week In Review For February 11, 2013

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Spring Workshop and Law Institute Session Spotlight!
Registration is now open for AAMVA's Spring Workshop and Law Institute, March 12-13 in Atlanta, GA. Here's a look at just two of the many exciting sessions we have planned!

QuickConnect
Back by popular demand are the Workshop's QuickConnect Sessions. On Tuesday, Regions I and III will meet and on Wednesday, Regions II and IV will meet. Jurisdictional attendees will have the opportunity to meet one-on-one with exhibitors and qualified sponsors. Each meeting will be up to seven (7) minutes and is the perfect opportunity for industry to share products, services, and projects. Find solutions to your problems! Exhibitors and qualified sponsors can complete the QuickConnect Registration Form here.

One Click Dealerships:
On Tuesday morning, attend the highly-anticipated concurrent session, One Click Dealerships: Internet Dealer Sales/Wholesale Dealers. Vehicle sales are no longer just taking place on dealership lots or in private driveways. Dealers and individuals are increasingly using electronic methods to sell vehicles. This session will highlight some of the challenges in regulating these sales as well as the potential for fraud that exists with internet vehicle sales.

Register Now for Older Drivers Webinar
Sign up today to participate in our upcoming webinar, Screening Tool for Detecting Cognitive Impairment for Older Drivers in a DMV and Doctor's Office Setting, Wednesday, February 20, 2013, 2:00 - 3:00 PM (EST), featuring
speaker Dr. Bonnie Dobbs, Director of the Medically At-Risk Driver Centre, University of Alberta and hosted by AAMVA's Tom Manuel. Drivers with a cognitive impairment, due to illnesses such as Alzheimer's disease or other forms of dementia, represent a large and important segment of the medically impaired driving population. Unfortunately, drivers with cognitive impairment also present special challenges in terms of identification and assessment of fitness to drive. This webinar will discuss a new scientifically-based tool to assist in the identification of cognitively impaired drivers whose driving skills may have declined to an unsafe level. Register here.

And don't forget you can access our past webinars in the Webinar Archives on AAMVA's website.

Open RFPs
The following RFPs have now been posted on AAMVA's website.

**Motor Vehicle Supportive Services (North Dakota DOT)**
The North Dakota Department of Transportation (DOT) is soliciting proposals for Motor Vehicle Supportive Services. This RFP closes on March 11, 2013, 5:00 PM (CT). The RFP document is available here.

**RFI for Motor Vehicle Inspection Station Program Review (Ontario Ministry of Transportation)**
In the 2012 Ontario Budget, the government announced it would be reviewing a number of its programs to consider more effective and efficient ways to deliver them. The Ministry of Transportation is examining the Motor Vehicle Inspection Station (MVIS) Program, which authorizes qualified garage operators and technicians to inspect and certify the safety of vehicles in Ontario. This RFP closes February 27, 2013, 11:00 AM (EST). Further information regarding the RFI may be found at www.merx.com via entering "OSS_00373464" in the search function.

**New Mexico Motor Vehicle Division Driver and Vehicle System Reengineering Project**
The Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) of the New Mexico Taxation and Revenue Department (TRD) requests proposals for the design, development, and implementation of a modern customer-centric driver and vehicle system to replace the legacy systems currently used by MVD. This RFP closes on February 28, 2013 4:00PM MST.

For more information on these and other opportunities, visit http://www.aamva.org/Open-RFPs/.

**FY 2013 New Entrant Re-announce Notice of Funding Availability Grant**
The FMCSA announces the availability of MCSAP New Entrant funding dedicated for safety audits of new entrant motor carriers under the New Entrant Safety Assurance Program. The New Entrant Safety Assurance program requires all new motor carriers (private and for-hire) domiciled in the United States and Canada and operating in interstate commerce to apply for registration as a new entrant. After a new entrant motor carrier satisfies all applicable pre-operational requirements, it will be subject to the new entrant safety monitoring procedures for a period of 18 months (12 months beginning October 1, 2013). For more information, visit http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&oppId=219613.

**CDLIS Modernization Update**
Nevada is the most recent to implement CDLIS Modernization in production this past weekend, bringing the total number of sites in production to 36 (including 34 jurisdictions, the Federal Convictions and Withdrawals Database (the 'MX' node), and the FMCSA Site (the 'FH' node)). In addition, several other states are actively testing with AAMVA. For details please refer to http://www.aamva.org/CDLIS-Mod-Updates/.
In addition, congratulations to AR, DC, DE, GA, IL, KY, LA, MN, NC, SD, VA, VT, and WI for successfully executing the Master Pointer Record (MPR) Data Quality Validation and Verification (CD31) process in Production. For details please refer to http://www.aamva.org/CD31-Current-Status/.

**FHWA Webinar on Registration Data Collection**

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has been systematically collecting state motor vehicle registration data through its 500-series data reporting (Form FHWA-561) since the early 1940s to facilitate the Federal-aid Highway Program. Periodically, the FHWA conducts data reassessment activities with the goal of increasing data reliability and reducing data reporting burden while maintaining historical continuity and meeting new program and initiative needs.

Currently, the FHWA is examining state motor vehicle data covering all data items. The existing FHWA-561 form requires states to fill out over 200 data items. Our preliminary assessment indicates that these can be replaced by approximately 90 percent fewer items. However, before any actual implementation of such changes, the FHWA would like to learn the feasibility of the new proposed data items and form.

The FHWA will host a webinar to present the preliminary proposal, obtain feedback, and discuss potential issues on March 5, 2013 from 3:30-4:30PM EST. View the webinar at: https://connectdot.connectsolutions.com/_a55098539/fhwatalkingtraffic/
Phone: 1- 877-848-7030 Passcode: 6217068

A draft version of the proposed FHWA-561 is available for review at the link above. For further information please contact Brad Gudzinis at brad.gudzinis@dot.gov or at 202-366-5024.

**National Freight Network Established**

The Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) has posted a notice on the establishment of a National Freight Network.

Implications for State DOTs:
The FHWA will make an initial request for the States to identify rural freight corridors and will maintain route information for the rural freight corridors thereafter.

A State may designate a road within the borders of the State as a critical rural freight corridor if the road is a rural principal arterial roadway and has at least 25 percent of the AADT of the road measured in passenger vehicle equivalent units from trucks (FHWA vehicle class 8 to 13); provides access to energy exploration, development, installation or production areas; or connects the primary freight network, a roadway described above, or the Interstate System to facilities that handle more than 50,000 20-foot equivalent units per year, or 500,000 tons per year of bulk commodities.

Guidance/technical assistance will be available to States to begin analysis of potential critical rural freight corridors in May 2013. FHWA will then request States to identify critical rural freight corridors in October 2013.
Massachusetts Website Re-design
On February 2, 2013, the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles website was re-launched with a new design and a new address. The new address is www.massrmv.com. The new site has been redesigned and will be easier for customers to navigate. All the information, forms, and online transactions that were available on the old website will continue to be available on the new website.

NOYS: Act Out Loud Toolkits and Stipends Available - Register by March 4!
Act Out Loud for safe teen driving with National Organizations for Youth Safety and hundreds of high school teams this May. Teams can earn up to $700, plus a FREE toolkit! Register by March 4, 2013 to receive the FREE toolkit.

NOYS is also hosting a webinar on Tuesday, February 12 at noon EST where more information on the contest will be provided. Register for the webinar here.