Region III Information Exchange Starts This Week! AAMVA's The Week In Review For September 23, 2013



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That's right - the Region III Information Exchange starts tomorrow, September 24th, in St. Louis Missouri. Check out the AAMVA website at http://www.aamva.org/2013-Region-III-Information-Exchange/ where you can see an agenda, find out details about the conference and more at this site. Contact Sheila Prior by email at sprior@aamva.org or by phone at 480-275-4584 for questions.



Chair to Chair Now on MoveMag.org

Head over to MoveMag.org to see our latest web exclusive! Stacey Stanton, AAMVA Chair 2012-2013, and Jennifer Cohan, AAMVA Chair 2013-2014, sat down for a chat about what it's like to be Chair of the AAMVA Board. Visit MoveMag.org to hear what they had to say.



System Modernization Lessons Learned Webinar Archive Available

Did you miss last week's webinar discussion on System Modernization? No problem! Visit the <u>Webinar Archives</u> section of AAMVA's website to take a look at what you missed, and to see other archived webinar content.

Facial Recognition Working Group

The Facial Recognition Working Group will review the methods utilized by driver license and motor vehicle agencies to capture, review, and share facial images; and when appropriate, investigate potential matches and pursue prosecution when fraudulent activity is discovered. Or when a motor vehicle agency does not have an investigative arm, establish a protocol with the applicable law enforcement agency to conduct such investigations. The Working Group will develop a best practices document related to the capture and utilization of images.

AAMVA is seeking one law enforcement and one motor vehicle agency jurisdictional representative from each AAMVA region to serve on this Working Group. In addition, we are seeking two associate members - one IAB member and one non-IAB member. Associate member dues must be current for 2014. Please contact Shervonne Murphy (703.908.5778) for information on dues. It is anticipated that this will be a two year project with two inperson meetings each year with additional conference calls as necessary. Working Group members may also be asked to conduct some interim work between meetings. Please complete the application form if you are interested in serving on the Facial Recognition Working Group. Applications must be received by Monday, September 30, 2013.

Stay Connected by Using the AAMVA Fraud Alert Site

The AAMVA Fraud Alert Site is now available for jurisdictions to post changes to their documents as well as notify other jurisdictions of fraud activities happening within their states. The site was developed as a means of sharing document intelligence alerts created by the Department of Homeland Security and State Motor Vehicle Agencies. These alerts contain information on fraudulent travel and identity documents intercepted at the federal and state levels, images and descriptions of genuine and fraudulent documents, and detection points and security features.

The AAMVA Fraud Alert Site is intended to raise the awareness of front line counter employees of fraudulent activities involving travel and identity documents such as passports, drivers licenses, visas, Social Security cards, and employment authorization cards that employees may encounter in the licensing process. Managers and directors are encouraged to send their jurisdictional document updates and alerts to the AAMVA Fraud Alert Site. The site is a great way to update and educate employees on alerts pertaining to their daily job duties. The site is password protected and authorization is needed in order to participate. If you have any questions about the site please contact Denise Hanchulak at dhanchulak@aamva.org

AAMVA Awarded FMCSA Grant To Develop Online CCE/CDL Examiner Training Course

The CDL Testing & CLP Standards Final Rule published in May 2011 significantly expanded the training, testing, record keeping and auditing requirements contained in Sections 383 & 384 for which States are responsible for providing oversight. Specifically, §384.228 of the final rule requires that all State Knowledge & Skills Test Examiners and Third Party CDL Examiners successfully complete a formal CDL test examiner training course and final examination prior to being certified to administer CDL knowledge and/or skills tests. Additionally, all examiners are also required to successfully complete a refresher training course and final examination every four years to maintain their CDL test examiner certification. In response to these requirements, AAMVA submitted and has been awarded a grant from the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) to develop an ONLINE CCE/CDL Examiner Training course to be administered to State CDL Knowledge/Skills Test Examiners and Third Party CDL Skills Test Examiners. It is AAMVA's intent to build a robust web based training program that will meet all of the rule requirements, reduce the amount of time required for training; and that will track training and certification dates of individual Examiners. The training program will be available to each jurisdiction at no cost; and the jurisdictions will be able to download the program for their use. The system should be available for jurisdictional use in 2015. For additional information please contact Denise Hanchulak at dhanchulak@aamva.org or Karen Morton at kmorton@aamva.org.

AAMVA Blog: Surface Transportation Provisions Implementation

"On Wednesday, the Senate Environment and Public Works Committee held a hearing on MAP-21 provisions created to accelerate the implementation of surface transportation projects. The focus of the session surrounded the progress of the provisions' implementation and ways to identify and mitigate delays in infrastructure ventures. Witnesses included John D. Porcari, the Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of Transportation, Daniel M. Ashe, Director of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Nancy Helen Sutley, Chairwoman of the Council on Environmental Quality, and Joseph W. Comé, Assistant Inspector General for Highway and Transit Audits at the United States Department of Transportation. The Department of Transportation (DOT) developed a plan that addresses all 42 of the MAP-21 Subtitle C provisions. As of September 11, 2013, seven actions had been implemented. Assistant Inspector General Comé commented in his testimony that the plan did not assign completion dates for all actions unless the statute specified specifically. He recommended that establishing target dates would provide a measurement to promote accountability for timely completion of MAP-21's innovation and streamlining mandates." Visit AAMVA's Blog for the full story.



AAMVA Webinar Series: Legalization of Marijuana - Highway Safety Implications

Register now for our October webinar, Legalization of Marijuana - Highway Safety Implications, Wednesday, October 16, 2013, 2:00 - 3:00 PM (EST). Legalization of marijuana in Colorado and Washington has forced both states to navigate uncharted territory. These laws were implemented before they were able to fully promulgate the rules and regulations governing the legal production, sale, and use of marijuana, and conflict with current federal laws and regulations. On the traffic safety side, law enforcement and prosecutors are dealing with both expected and unforeseen consequences of legalized marijuana and its affect on highway safety. Hear from Courtney Popp, Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor for the State of Washington on some of the steps taken to mitigate the negative traffic safety effects of these laws. Register today to join in on the discussion.

Nevada Rider Unveils New Website

Nevada Rider Motorcycle Safety Program is pleased to announce their brand new website, www.NevadaRider.com

The new site has five main pages: About us, Classes, Safety, Ride Nevada, and a Blog. Within the main pages visitors can find links to safety videos, MSF videos, licensing info, laws, partners, and much more.

The Ride Nevada section has 15 different ride maps borrowed from the Tourism Bureau aimed enticing visitors back to the site more than once. And, while visitors are checking out ride videos that will be posted over the next few months, Nevada Rider will be driving home the messages of safety and life-long learning.

Withdrawal of NPRM on Training Requirements for CMV Operators

FMCSA withdraws its December 26, 2007, notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) that proposed new entry-level driver training standards for individuals applying for a commercial driver's license (CDL) to operate commercial motor vehicles (CMVs) in interstate commerce. The Agency withdraws the 2007 proposal because commenters to the NPRM, and participants in the Agency's public listening sessions in 2013, raised substantive issues which have led the Agency to conclude that it would be inappropriate to move forward with a final rule based on the proposal. In addition, since the NPRM was published, FMCSA received statutory direction on the issue of entry level driver training (ELDT) from Congress via the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) reauthorization legislation. Finally, the Agency tasked its Motor Carrier Safety Advisory Committee (MCSAC) to provide ideas the Agency should consider in implementing the MAP-21 requirements. In consideration of the above, the Agency has concluded that a new rulemaking should be initiated in lieu of completing the 2007 rulemaking. For more information, see the Federal Register.

The CCMTA 2014 Call for Presentations is Now Open

The 2014 CCMTA Annual Meeting will be held from May 25-28 in Toronto, Ontario. The theme of this year's meeting is Transportation Tomorrow! Modernize. Measure. Connect. The call for presentations is an opportunity to collaborate by showcasing your road safety initiatives that contribute to our theme and the advancement of road safety in Canada.

Click here for a direct link to the 2014 Call for Presentations page.

Halloween Drunk Driving Prevention Campaign Materials Now Available

These marketing tools can be used to meet your local needs and objectives while, at the same time, partnering with other States, communities, and organizations in support of this Halloween drunk driving prevention initiative. The scariest part of Halloween isn't the spooky costumes and scary pranks; it's alcohol-impaired drivers.

Don't let Halloween turn into a nightmare. Click <u>HERE</u> and get your drunk driving prevention campaign materials now!	