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THIS WEEK: AAMVA Webinars



NMVTIS State Web Interface (SWI) Training

Register now for the webinar [NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) Training](#), December 16, 2014, 2:00-3:00 PM (EST) featuring Neil Pitt, Lead Business Analyst, AAMVA and Sujatha Lingineni, Lead Business Analyst, AAMVA. Learn the quick and easy benefits of the NMVTIS State Web Interface (SWI) Training. The SWI application allows state users to perform instant title verification against NMVTIS using a web browser and an internet connection. The SWI application also has a Help Desk feature that allows state users to make data corrections to their Title and Brand data submitted in error. The system also features a hierarchical role-based security model that allows state administrators to manage the addition or removal of users in their DMV community. **This webinar is for AAMVA jurisdiction and federal government members only.** [Click here](#) to login and register for the webinar.

Regional Information Sharing Systems (RISS) A Tool for Law Enforcement and DMV Investigators

Register now for the webinar [Regional Information Sharing Systems \(RISS\) - A Tool for Law Enforcement and DMV Investigators](#), Wednesday, December 17, 2014, 2:00 - 3:00 PM (EST) featuring:

- Brian Ursino, Director of Law Enforcement, AAMVA
- Matthew McDonald, National Coordinator, RISS



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The Regional Information Sharing Systems (RISS) Program provides services and resources that directly impact law enforcement's ability to successfully resolve criminal investigations and prosecute offenders, while providing the critical officer safety event deconfliction to keep the men and women of our law enforcement community safe. RISS serves thousands of criminal justice agencies, yet only nine state DMVs have a RISS account. Through its RISS Secure Cloud (RISSNET™), information and intelligence sharing resources, investigative support and analytical services, and deconfliction, RISS has enabled agencies and officers to increase their success exponentially. This success can be experienced by applicable DMV investigative units as well! **This webinar is for AAMVA members only.** [Click here](#) to login and register for the webinar

Awards Program Updated

AAMVA's updated awards program fosters a tradition of excellence in the motor vehicle and law enforcement community. The awards allow AAMVA to honor individuals, teams and organizations who have committed their time and resources to safety initiatives, outstanding customer service, and public affairs and consumer educational programs throughout North America. Awards are presented both at the regional and international levels. Learn more about the new AAMVA Awards Program and download submission forms online at www.aamva.org/AAMVA-Awards/. **Submission forms for the awards are due February 14, 2015.**

System Modernization Working Group Volunteers Needed

AAMVA is soliciting volunteers for a System Modernization Working Group. The Working Group will develop a best practices document related to the procurement, design, development, database migration and purification, testing, implementation, and maintenance of a system modernization effort. Lessons learned will be solicited from those with system redesign experience. The Working Group is funded by AAMVA and the commitment is two (2) years with two (2) face-to-face meetings per year. AAMVA is seeking thirteen (13) representatives **from US and Canadian jurisdictions** with experience on either the IT or business side (driver/vehicle operations) of a system modernization project. We are looking for two applicants from applying jurisdictions – one IT person and one operational (drivers/vehicles/project sponsor/agency administrator, etc.). Applications must be received by December 29, 2014 and should be submitted to committees@aamva.org. Contact Sheila Prior at sprior@aamva.org or 480-275-4584 if you have questions or need additional information. [Download the application here.](#)

SC Latest Jurisdiction to Implement USPVS via Web-Based Menu

On December 15, 2014, the State of South Carolina successfully migrated US Passport Verification Service (USPVS) functionality via Web-Based Menu

(WBM) into production. SC is now operational with USPVS and joins 19 fellow participating jurisdictions. USPVS allows the user to verify US Passport document data against DHS backend systems, and is established to assist state DMVs in issuing more secure driver licenses and identification cards. Funding for the USPVS implementation support is provided under a grant from the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Grant Programs Directorate (GPD) United States Department of Homeland Security and will be available to jurisdictions operational on or before September 30, 2015. For information on USPVS or how to take advantage of the implementation support funding, contact AAMVA's Nalini Rangaraju (nrangaraju@aamva.org / 703.908.5784). Congratulations to SC for a job well done!

Share Information With Other Jurisdictions

Please respond to these surveys from Oregon, South Dakota, Maryland, North Dakota, Illinois, and Arkansas. The jurisdictions that have already responded are listed after each survey.

- [Moped Driving Privileges](#) (Ends 01/05/2015)
- [Driver Re-evaluation Procedures and Training](#) (Ends 01/09/2015)
Response received from NH.
- [Review Driving Ability Cases/Medical Diagnosis](#) (Ends 12/31/2014)
Responses received from FL and SC.
- [Titling Freightliner SportChassis Pickup](#) (Ends 12/31/2014)
Responses received from FL, UT, WA.
- [Driving Manuals](#) (Ends 12/29/2014) Responses received from CO, DC, FL, GA, ID, IN, KS, LA, MA, MN, ND, NH, NT, OH, SC, VA, VT.
- [E-Titling](#) (Ends 12/24/2014) Responses received from AL, CA, DC, FL, IL, KS, KY, LA, MN, MO, NE, NH, NT, UT, VT, WI, WV, WY.

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 Druzynski at 703-908-5842. All online surveys can be found on the AAMVA Web site at <http://www.aamva.org/Survey/User/SurveyDefault.aspx>.

Johanne St-Cyr to Retire from SAAQ

Ms. Johanne St-Cyr, Vice President, Societ  de l'Assurance Automobile du Qu bec will retire January 30, 2015. Ms. St-Cyr is a former Region I President, has served on various committees and working groups, and has made countless contributions to our community. We wish Johanne the best of luck with all her future endeavors and appreciate her dedication to collaboration with her peers and volunteerism at AAMVA.

Rhode Island Department of Motor Vehicles Administrator to Leave

The administrator of the Rhode Island Department of Motor Vehicles announced plans to leave his position. Anthony Silva said Tuesday he's leaving the agency to work as chief of staff for Lt. Gov.-elect Daniel McKee. He said there's still a lot of work left to be done to improve the DMV, but he's

confident in the steps he's put in place. Silva said a three-pronged approach has been implemented to work on reducing wait times even further. The first is to put six kiosks at the DMV in the spring of 2015. "It's just like the airport – self service. The second part is to bring in part-time employees during peak hours, and lastly – implement an appointment system." [Read the full story at WPRI.com.](#)

Obama's Immigration Actions Land at Supreme Court

A legal fight over President Barack Obama's immigration executive actions reached the Supreme Court on Thursday, in a dispute about Arizona's refusal to issue driver's licenses to so-called DREAMers. Republican state officials in Arizona asked the justices to stop an appeals court order that requires the state to provide licenses to immigrants who live in the United States under the controversial Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, which Obama announced in 2012. Obama's expanded immigration executive actions announced in November, however, play a big role in Arizona's argument. Read the full article at [CQ.com](#)

GAO Report on Older Drivers

The Government Accountability Office has released a report on older drivers, Transportation for Older Adults: Measuring Results Could Help Determine If Coordination Efforts Improve Mobility, GAO-15-158, December 10. Read the full report, visit <http://www.gao.gov/products/GAO-15-158>

Negotiated Rulemaking on Minimum Training Requirements for Entry-Level CMV Operators

The FMCSA announces its intent to establish a negotiated rulemaking ("Reg Neg") committee to negotiate and develop proposed regulations to implement section 32304 of the Moving Ahead for Progress in the 21st Century Act (MAP-21) concerning entry-level driver training (ELDT) for commercial motor vehicles (CMV) operating in interstate or intrastate commerce. The committee will include representatives of organizations or groups with interests that are affected significantly by the subject matter of the proposed regulations. The FMCSA anticipates that these parties will include driver organizations, CMV training organizations, motor carriers of property and passengers and their associations, State licensing agencies, State enforcement agencies, labor unions, safety advocacy groups, and insurance companies. This notice provides notice to parties who seek to serve on the committee, and seeks comment on the proposal to establish the Committee and on the proposed membership. To the extent possible, the Agency will select from the nominees individual negotiators who reflect the diversity among the organizations or groups represented. The deadline for comments and nominations for Committee members must be received on or before January 9, 2015. For more information, see the [Federal Register](#)

Qualification of Drivers; Application for Exemptions; Hearing

FMCSA announces that 10 individuals have applied for a medical exemption from the hearing requirement in the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations (FMCSRs). In accordance with the statutory requirements concerning applications for exemptions, FMCSA requests public comments on these requests. All comments must be submitted to the docket no later than December 24, 2014. For more information, see the [Federal Register](#).

