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New Administrators' Orientation



AAMVA hosted 11 jurisdictional members for the annual New Administrators' Orientation last week. AAMVA President & CEO Anne Ferro and AAMVA staff gave the new administrators a briefing on how the association works and the resources AAMVA provides to help in their home jurisdictions. The new administrators also had a meet-and-greet with AAMVA

employees, and had plenty of opportunities to ask questions about the association. [View photos from the meeting here.](#)

AAMVA Attends First Ever Global DMV Summit



An AAMVA delegation consisting of Ian Grossman, Loffie Jordaan, Corey Lorenz (IA), Mike McCaskill (FL) Chrissy Nizer (MD), and Bernard Soriano (CA) is in Melbourne, Australia this week to participate in the first ever global meeting between vehicle registration and driver license agencies. Hosted by [Austroads](#), the organization of Australasian road transport and traffic agencies, the summit will bring AAMVA together with [EReg](#), the Association of European Vehicle and Driver Registration Authorities, to share and discuss topics of global interest and to explore emerging opportunities and challenges in the global environment, such as vehicle and identity management, data sharing, and

the impact of technology and innovation.

NMVTIS Business Rules and Law Enforcement Working Groups Meet



The NMVTIS [Business Rules Working Group](#) (BRWG) and [Law Enforcement Working Group](#) (LEWG) met in Arlington, VA on December 4 and 5. The BRWG met to discuss the goals for fiscal year 2019 including the NMVTIS modernization plan, the next phase of the performance management concept, and known business issues and how to best address

them. In addition to conference calls, the BRWG is planning to hold the next in-person meeting in April 2019. The LEWG had engaging discussions on a variety

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OUR EVENTS

JANUARY

9 | [2019 January Industry Advisory Board Meeting](#)

Glendale, AZ

9-10 | [2019 January Board of Directors Meeting](#)

Glendale, AZ

SYSTEMS TRAINING

*Register for the following training sessions [HERE](#).

DECEMBER - CDLIS

11 | [CDLIS Reports Timeliness \(intermediate\)](#)

12 | [CDLIS Reports Data Quality \(intermediate\)](#)

13 | [CD90.4.1 Out-of State Transaction as SOR Reports \(advanced\)](#)

18 | [CDLIS Reports Identifying Potential Issues SDLA \(advanced\)](#)

19 | [CDLIS Reports Identifying Potential Issues Qtrl OP \(advanced\)](#)

20 | [SSOLV and HAVV \(basic\)](#)

DECEMBER - SPEXS

11 | [SPEXS Transactions AMIE \(intermediate\)](#)

12 | [SPEXS Transactions NIEM \(intermediate\)](#)

13 | [SPEXS Batch Inquiry \(intermediate\)](#)

14 | [SPEXS Bulk Load \(intermediate\)](#)

17 | [SPEXS SPM \(intermediate\)](#)

18 | [SPEXS WEB UI and Reports](#)

of NMVTIS and Law Enforcement Access Tool (LEAT) topics, and continued researching ways law enforcement can utilize these tools. They welcomed Todd Brighton, NMVTIS Program Enforcement Coordinator with the Bureau of Justice Assistance, who provided program updates and discussed ongoing initiatives.

The two working groups held a joint session for the morning of day two. This is the fourth annual meeting the two groups have held this joint session to exchange information and ideas. Overall, the meeting was very successful and a lot of work was accomplished.

US – China Connected and Intelligent Vehicle Policy Lab



On November 5, 2018, AAMVA jurisdictional members participated in a signing ceremony between the China Automotive Technology and Research Center (CATARC) and the University of California, Davis (UC Davis). CATARC was established by the Chinese government as an independent institution that conducts transportation policy research, formulates standards, and conducts testing and

certification. CATARC and UC Davis have entered into an agreement that establishes the U.S.-China Connected and Intelligent Vehicle Policy Lab (CIV Policy Lab), which serves as a platform for cooperation on autonomous, connected, and intelligent vehicle policy research. Overseeing the CIV Policy Lab is a Board of Advisors, composed of officials from both countries. James Fackler, Office of Program Support and Development, Michigan Department of State, Kara Templeton, Director Bureau of Driver Licensing, Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and Bernard Soriano, California DMV Deputy Director, serve as members of the Board of Advisors and were present for the ceremony.

TRB National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) Publishes AAMVA Initiated HAV Report: Implications of Connected and Automated Driving Systems on Motor Vehicle Laws and Regulations

TRB's National Cooperative Highway Research Program (NCHRP) has published "The Implications of Connected and Automated Driving Systems" report. The Report and its accompanying Autonomous Vehicle Action Plan (AVAP) highlight the foundational laws and regulations that may need to be prioritized for modification to address Connected and Automated Driving System (C/ADS) technologies. The AVAP is intended to provide guidance and resources to state departments of motor vehicles (DMVs) and transportation (DOTs) to assist with the legal changes that will result from the rollout of C/ADS equipped vehicles. AAMVA members can now access the six volumes supporting this research project, including a review of the Legal Landscape, a comprehensive State Legal and Regulatory Audit, a Legal Modification Prioritization and Harmonization Analysis, the AVAP, a process for Developing the Autonomous Vehicle Action Plan and an Implementation Plan, by [clicking here](#) and the TRB website. A PowerPoint Presentation summary is also available.

AAMVA pushed for this research to be completed to provide state DOTs and DMVs with guidance and resources to assist with the legal changes resulting from the introduction of C/ADS equipped vehicles. AAMVA Director of Vehicle Services, Cathie Curtis and Maine Motor Vehicle Administrator, Patty Morneau served on the project panel and provided technical oversight. Rob Mikell of Idemia served as panel Chair. The research was conducted by Virginia Tech Transportation Institute in close cooperation with the Virginia DMV and with input from many AAMVA

[\(intermediate\)](#)

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OUR WEBINARS

DECEMBER

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OUR SURVEYS

Please respond to these surveys from Wisconsin, Idaho, Iowa, Vermont, North Carolina, Illinois, Florida, Indiana, South Dakota, and AAMVA.

[New \(MSO/MCO\) Vehicle Brands](#)
(Ends 01/04/2019)

[Fail to Appear, Fail to Comply, Fail to Pay](#) (Ends 01/02/2019)

members, staff and committees. Betty Serian, Principal of Betty Serian & Associates, served as Co-Principal Investigator for this project, working with a team of researchers. Information can be obtained from the TRB website or by contacting Betty Serian at bettyserianassociates@comcast.net or Tammy Trimble at Virginia Tech Transportation Institute at ttrimble@vtti.vt.edu.

Starwood Guest Reservation Database Breach

Marriott International has announced that its Starwood reservation database has been hacked, potentially since 2014. Marriott acquired Starwood in 2016 and includes St. Regis, Westin, Sheraton, and W Hotels. AAMVA has used many of these properties over the last four years. We are identifying the hotels we have worked with and will attempt to identify the potential exposure to our conference attendees. Marriott has indicated that they will directly be reaching out to affected customers. Marriott has provided information and an [FAQ document](#) should you want additional information.

AAMVA Awards Program 2019 - Call for Entries

Apply now for AAMVA's Awards Program! Don't miss this opportunity to be recognized for the great work your jurisdiction does every day. Improving day-to-day business, reaching out to the community, and saving lives. The [AAMVA Awards Program](#) recognizes members of the motor vehicle and law enforcement community by honoring individuals, teams, and organizations who have committed their time and resources to the following categories: **Safety, Service, Security, Public Affairs & Consumer Education (PACE), and International Driver Examiner Certification (IDEC).**



AAMVA Awards are open to all AAMVA jurisdiction members that are in good standing. Entries submitted for the 2019 Awards must have been conducted (produced, implemented, and/or developed) between October 1, 2017 and September 30, 2018. If an entry won an award in 2018, it cannot be resubmitted in 2019 unless it has major upgrades or developments.

SUBMIT AWARD ENTRY

This Week's Webinars

[NMVTIS State Web Interface \(SWI\) – How to Correct Title and Brand Data on the Central Site](#)

Tuesday, December 11, 2018, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm (ET)

In the past, states contacted the AAMVA Help Desk directly if they needed to make a data correction. As part of the NMVTIS reengineering effort, a Help Desk feature was created to allow states to correct their title and brand data on the central site. When states perform their own data corrections the timeliness and accuracy of the data corrections improves substantially. This webinar is focused on explaining the capability of the Help Desk feature as included in the SWI. Data correction scenarios are explained and matched to the correct update operation within the SWI. A brief overview of the SWI application will also be provided

Note: This webinar is for AAMVA jurisdiction and federal members only.

Responses received from NE, OR, SD.

[Vehicle Data File Exchange](#) (Ends 12/31/2018) Responses received from AL, CA, FL, ID, KY, LA, NC, NE, NM, NY, OH, UT.

[Contact Center Agent Turnover](#) (Ends 12/31/2018) Responses received from DC, IN, NH, NY, OH, RI, VA.

[Loss of Federal Funding](#) (Ends 12/21/2018) Responses received from CO, DE, IN, ND, NE, NH, NM, PA, SC.

[Diabetic waiver/exemption](#) (Ends 12/31/2018) Responses received from FL, HI, IN, MD, MN, MS, NE, NH, NM, SC.

[Using SSA Death Files to Purge Driving Records](#) (Ends 12/31/2018) Responses received from DE, HI, IL, IN, MS, NE, NH, OR, RI, SC, VA.

[Ignition Interlock Standards](#) (Ends 12/31/2018) Responses received from CA, CO, CT, DC, DE, ID, LA, ME, MS, NH, OR, PA, SC, VA.

[Autocycle equipment regulation](#) (Ends 12/19/2018) Responses received from FL, HI, ID, IL, IN, KY, LA, MN, NC, NE, NH, NJ, NM, OH, OR, SC, UT, VA, VT.

[Customer Service Training](#) (Ends 12/10/2018) Responses received from CO, CT, DC, DE, HI, ID, IL, IN, KY, LA, MD, ME, MN, MO, NC, NH, NM, NY, RI, SC, TX, VA, WI.

[Driver Examinations](#) (Ends 12/14/2018) Responses received from AR, CO, DE, HI, IA, ID, IL, LA, MB, MD, ME, MN, MS, NC, ND, NE, NH, NJ, NY, OH, OK, SC, SD, VA, VT, WI.

[Driving Record Requests - Tracking](#) (Ends 12/21/2018) Responses received from AZ, CA, CT, DC, DE, FL, HI, IA, ID, IL, IN, LA, ME, MS, NC, NE, NH, NM, OH, PA, SC, VA, VT, WV.

[Multiple Credentials](#) (Ends

[NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States \(AMIE Version\) – Part 1](#)

Thursday, December 13, 2018, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm (ET)

NMVTIS has two third party transactions that involve updates between the central site and multiple states. Because the transactions involve multiple states and the central site, it is possible for a transaction to break down before it completes. Further activity against this title record is greatly restricted until the problem is resolved. This webinar provides instruction as to how to identify and resume suspended transactions. The intended audience for this webinar are NMVTIS Help Desk Personnel, Business Process Analyst and IT System Integrators.

Note: This webinar is for AAMVA jurisdiction members only.

JURISDICTION NEWS

Jean Shimoto Announces Retirement (California)



AAMVA would like to extend congratulations and best wishes to California DMV Director Jean Shimoto, who has announced her retirement after 38 years of state service. As of December 31, Jean will use her new found time to travel, catch up on reading and increase her volunteering for the non-profit Asian Community Center (ACC) as they continue to expand care for seniors. Jean has served the AAMVA community in many capacities over the years including terms on the Region 4 Board of Directors and on the International Board of Directors, including serving as International Chair in

2016-2017. Congratulations Jean and you will be missed!

Iowa Public Safety Commissioner and Iowa State Patrol Chief Announce Retirements

Commissioner Roxann Ryan announced that she will be leaving the Iowa Department of Public Safety on January 2, 2019, closing out a career of 36 years of service in state government. She served as Commissioner for the past four years, after joining the Department of Public Safety in 2006. The Commissioner previously served in the Iowa Attorney General's Office from 1980 to 2004. She also worked as an Assistant Professor at Simpson College from 2004 to 2006. She is a graduate of Iowa State University (B.A., 1973), the University of Iowa (J.D., 1980), and the University of Nebraska at Omaha (Ph.D., 1998)...Colonel Jeff Ritzman, the Chief of the Iowa State Patrol, also announced his retirement on January 2, 2019, after 36 years of service in the Iowa State Patrol. He served as the 16th Colonel of the Iowa State Patrol. [Read more here.](#)

Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration Receives 2018 National Security Excellence Award for its Secure Driver's License

The Maryland Department of Transportation Motor Vehicle Administration (MDOT MVA) received the 2018 National Security Excellence Award from the Keeping Identities Safe organization for its decade-long commitment to enhancing the security and integrity of the state's driver credentialing system. The Maryland Driver's License and Identification card feature multiple layers of security to help prevent identity theft and fraud. MDOT Secretary Pete K. Rahn and MDOT MVA Administrator Chrissy Nizer accepted the award from Keeping Identities Safe Executive Director Brian Zimmer. 'MDOT MVA is serious about keeping the personal information of the millions of Marylanders that we serve safe and secure,' said Secretary Rahn. [Read more here.](#)

Motor Vehicle Division Announces AAA Montana as an Authorized Agent

The Montana Motor Vehicle Division (MVD) announced it approved AAA Montana

12/28/2018) Responses received from AZ, CA, CO, DC, DE, FL, HI, ID, IL, IN, KS, KY, LA, MD, MO, MS, ND, NE, NH, RI, SC, SD, TN, TX, VA.

You can view all open surveys and responses to all surveys by visiting the [survey tool](#). Please contact [Janice Dluzynski](#) if you have any questions about using the survey tool.

as an authorized agent to process non-commercial Montana driver license renewal and replacement transactions in Kalispell and Missoula. MVD Administrator Sarah Garcia said, 'We are very excited to add additional options for our customers to obtain driver license services. AAA Montana has experience and an excellent reputation delivering motor vehicle services in other states. As we begin REAL ID implementation, we hope this additional option will help relieve some of the wait times in our driver license stations in these cities. We are planning for future location openings across the state.' The additional locations will increase speed and convenience for Montanans who want to utilize the service. AAA Montana is authorized to charge a convenience fee, not to exceed \$20, on top of non-commercial licensing fees. [Read more here.](#)

Saskatchewan Introducing Mandatory Minimum Training Requirements for Commercial Semi Drivers

Starting March 15, 2019, drivers seeking a Class 1 commercial licence in Saskatchewan to drive semi trucks will be required to undergo a minimum 121.5 hours of training. The change was announced by the Government of Saskatchewan to make Saskatchewan roads safer for commercial semi truck drivers and everyone who shares the road with them...The new curriculum will include instruction in a classroom, in the yard, and behind the wheel. Training will focus on priority curriculum areas including basic driving techniques, professional driving habits, vehicle inspections and air brakes. Driver's tests will be aligned to the curriculum ensuring more rigour. Training schools will receive instruction and training on the new curriculum, and the people who deliver training will be held to higher standards. [Read more here.](#)

New Reinstatement Fee Amnesty Initiative (Ohio)

House Bill 336, the Reinstatement Fee Amnesty Initiative, created a six-month program for driver license reinstatement fee reduction and waiver for offenders whose driver licenses have been suspended for specific violations. The initiative only applies to a driver license or permit suspension; it does not apply to a commercial driver license or commercial permit suspension. The Ohio Bureau of Motor Vehicles (BMV) will determine an applicant's eligibility based on the defined permissible qualifying offenses contained in Ohio Revised Code. [Read more here.](#)

More Than 200 Manitoba Drivers Suspended for Using Their Smartphone While Driving

As of the end of November, 237 Manitoba drivers have had their driver's licence suspended - for the minimum three-day period - since Manitoba's new distracted driving law took effect November 1. The Winnipeg Police Service reports having apprehended 149 drivers, while the RCMP and Brandon Police Service reported that 67 and 21 drivers, respectively, were charged for using hand-operated electronic devices while driving. 'Distracted driving remains a very serious road safety issue in Manitoba,' said Satvir Jatana, vice-president responsible for communications, Manitoba Public Insurance. 'In 2017 alone, distracted driving was a contributing factor in more than 15,000 collisions, while 30 Manitobans lost their lives in distracted-related motor vehicle collisions.' [Read more here.](#)

Manitoba Government Announces Consultations on Mandatory Entry-Level Training for Truck Drivers

The Manitoba government will move forward with a broad consultation with industry and other affected stakeholders on mandatory entry-level training (MELT) for truck drivers in the province, Infrastructure Minister Ron Schuler said. 'Our government is focused on safety above all else,' Schuler said. 'Mandatory entry-level training is something the trucking industry has asked for and we want to work in a collaborative way to ensure that Manitoba roadways are as safe as possible.' In April, Manitoba Infrastructure began consultation in conjunction with Manitoba Education and Training and Manitoba Public Insurance, working with

western partners to establish a harmonized foundation on driver training for class one vehicles. [Read more here.](#)

FEDERAL NEWS

FMCSA Re-Opens Comment Period on the Limitations on the Issuance of CDL with a Hazardous Materials Endorsement

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration plans to adopt the provisions of the interim final rules (IFR) regarding the limitations on the issuance of commercial driver's licenses with a hazardous materials endorsement that have not previously been made final. The comment period for the May 2003 IFR closed on July 7, 2003; there was no comment period for the April 2005 IFR. The Agency received over 50 comments on the 2003 IFR. To ensure that interested parties have an opportunity to provide comments, the Agency has re-opened the comment period for 15 days. The comment periods for the interim final rules published May 5, 2003, at [68 FR 23844](#), and April 29, 2005, at [70 FR 22268](#), are reopened. Comments must be received on or before December 19, 2018. [Read more here.](#)

FMCSA Extends Compliance Date of Lease and Interchange of Passenger Motor Carrier Final Rule

The Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA) extends the compliance date of the May 27, 2015, final rule titled "Lease and Interchange of Vehicles; Motor Carriers of Passengers," from January 1, 2019, to January 1, 2021. The final rule received 37 petitions for reconsideration. To address the concerns in the petitions, FMCSA initiated a new notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) that also included a proposal to extend the compliance date of the 2015 final rule from January 1, 2019, to January 1, 2021. This extension of the compliance date is necessary to provide time to consider all the issues raised in comments to the NPRM and to publish a final rule, while giving motor carriers sufficient time to comply with the revised requirements. [Read more here.](#)

TSA Releases Cybersecurity Roadmap

The Transportation Security Administration released its Cybersecurity Roadmap, which will guide efforts to prioritize cybersecurity measures within TSA and across the transportation systems sector. The roadmap is the agency's first, and closely aligns with the DHS Cybersecurity Strategy published earlier this year. It stresses the inextricable risks to critical cyber and physical transportation infrastructure, and provides a way forward to improve and protect the systems from threats. 'TSA is responsible for securing the nation's transportation systems from all threats – both physical and cyber,' said TSA Administrator David P. Pekoske. 'Because the consequences of both physical and cyber attacks can be equally damaging, we must be prepared to respond to cyber threats with the same level of success as we do when faced with physical threats.' [Read more here.](#)

Stopgap Legislation Extends Federal Funding Through December 21

The United States Congress passed, and the President has signed, legislation that would extend funding for all federal agencies through December 21, 2018. The legislation averts a partial government shutdown that was scheduled to begin at midnight on December 7th, when current appropriations (P.L. 115-245) were scheduled to expire. Lawmakers now have two weeks to negotiate a longer-term spending measure.

GAO Issues Cybersecurity Report on Sharing of Threat Information

The Government Accountability Office (GAO) has issued a report on "Cybersecurity: Federal Agencies Met Legislative Requirements for Protecting Privacy When Sharing Threat Information." In it, GAO finds that seven designated agencies developed government-wide policies, procedures, and guidelines to assist federal and nonfederal entities in their efforts to receive and share cybersecurity information. In particular, these policies, procedures, and guidelines met the eight provisions of the Cybersecurity Information Sharing Act of 2015 which required the removal of personal information from cyber threat indicators and defensive measures. [Read more here.](#)

PARTNER NEWS

TR News November-December 2018: Eliminating Alcohol-Impaired Driving Fatalities

A featured article in the November-December 2018 issue of the TR News examines the implementation and results of various designated driving programs to deter alcohol-impaired driving. The TR News is TRB's bimonthly magazine featuring timely articles on innovative and state-of-the-art research and practice in all modes of transportation. [Read more here.](#)



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