International Board of Directors Holds Annual Winter Meeting

The AAMVA Board of Directors held their annual January meeting last week in Phoenix. The Board received operational updates on key initiatives by AAMVA staff and heard briefings from numerous partners and stakeholders, including federal government agencies. The Board also approved a few key measures, including authorizing a second year of funding for regional roundtable meetings of chief administrators. The Board also approved a new whitepaper on the topic of dockless electric scooters and an update to the Foreign Nationals Roadside Resource Card. Both documents will be made available to members in the coming weeks.

Texas Uses NMVTIS State Web Services

Texas recently integrated its duplicate title issuance process into its existing NMVTIS process, utilizing Web Services. Congratulations Texas on implementing this new process. For more information about NMVTIS State Web Services, please contact Tom Manuel, Senior Program Manager.

New Release of the ACD Manual

Release 5.2.2 of the ACD Manual was published last year with an effective date of November 30, 2018. The sole purpose of publishing the new release was to make available new ACD code U11 to all jurisdictions. ACD code U11 maps to the No Trafficking on Our Roads Act (S. 1532), which became Public Law 115-106 on January 8, 2018, and addresses the United States Department of Transportation's (U.S. DOT) efforts to curb human trafficking. Guidance on the use of ACD code U11 is available in section 3.1.5.22 of the manual: Using ACD Code U11.

If you have any questions, concerns, or comments, please contact the AAMVA Operations Department at 1-888-AAMVA80 option 1 or helpdesk@aamva.org.

Law Enforcement Member Needed for Autonomous Vehicle Working Group

AAMVA is seeking to fill a vacancy on the Autonomous Vehicle Working Group with a jurisdiction member with highway safety law enforcement expertise and knowledge of automated and autonomous vehicles. The purpose of the Working Group is to work with AAMVA jurisdictions, law enforcement, federal agencies and other stakeholders to gather, organize and share information with the AAMVA.
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OUR EVENTS

JANUARY

15-16 | 2019 January Driver License & Non-Resident Violator Compact Executive Board Meeting
Tampa, FL

21-23 | 2019 January Managing Data Privacy and External Access Working Group Meeting
New Orleans, LA

21-23 | 2019 January Auditing Third Party Agents Working Group Meeting
New Orleans, LA

29-31 | 2019 January Facial Recognition Working Group
Tampa, FL

SYSTEMS TRAINING

*Register for the following training sessions HERE.

JANUARY

15 | CDLIS A Overview (basic)

16 | CDLIS B Inquiry Transactions (basic)

17 | CDLIS C Update Transactions (basic)

22 | CD01 Search Inquiry (Intermediate)

23 | CD02 Verification Inquiry (Intermediate)

24 | CD05 AKA Data Inquiry (intermediate)

29 | CD07 Add New Driver (intermediate)

Foreign Reciprocity Resource Guide (FRRG) Working Group Seeking Volunteer from Region 4

The Foreign Reciprocity Resource Guide Working Group will identify obsolete or out-of-date sections of the Foreign Reciprocity Resource Guide and support the creation and distribution of a new and updated FRRG. The guide will assist in maintaining highway safety standards by providing a recommended process to allow jurisdictions to make informed decisions on recognition of foreign driving privileges.

AAMVA is seeking one jurisdiction member to serve on the Working Group from Region 4. If you are interested in serving on this Working Group, please complete the volunteer application and submit to committees@aamva.org by January 25, 2019. If you have any questions about the working group, please contact Cathie Curtis, Director, Vehicle Programs.

Region 3 Member Needed for IDEC Executive Board

AAMVA is looking for a Region 3 jurisdiction representative to serve on the International Driver Examiner Certification (IDEC) Executive Board. The IDEC Executive Board is directly responsible for maintaining and distributing new and revised IDEC materials to AAMVA members. These include both commercial, non-commercial and motorcycle examiner testing materials. The IDEC Executive Board will meet face to face at least twice a year, as well as via conference call or webinar as the work load requires. Applicants need to come from an IDEC accredited jurisdiction and are required to attend and actively participate in all Executive Board meetings, assist in all Board activities, and be the liaison between the AAMVA member jurisdictions in your Region. Applicants should have or have had driver examination experience. If you are interested in applying for the IDEC Executive Board, please complete the application and return it to committees@aamva.org by January 18, 2019. If you have any questions about the IDEC, please contact Denise Hanchulak, Program Director, Certification & Standards.

Auditing Third Party Agents Working Group Still Seeking Members

AAMVA is establishing a working group to develop guidance for using and auditing motor vehicle agents, third parties and dealers acting as motor vehicle agents. The working group will look at the use of current fraud resources, including tools and analytics in systems to flag inconsistencies, and incorporate lessons learned. In addition, the best practice will address Memorandums of Understandings or Agreements (MOU or MOA) with those third parties. The working group will take into consideration the best practices for data sharing and protection of data by agents and third parties, as they will be working in coordination with the Managing Data Privacy and External Access Working Group.

This working group is seeking subject matter experts from multiple disciplines. The working group will be comprised of title and registration subject matter experts, vehicle fraud investigators, subject matter experts who audit third party agents, subject matter experts who oversee the functions and processes of third party agents, and subject matter experts on the MOU/As and contracts with the third
party agents. Specifically, the working group is still seeking subject matter experts with experience investigating motor vehicle fraud, driver license policy, and procedure, as well as subject matter experts who have experience reviewing driver license transactions to ensure they are properly processed by third party agents, excluding CDL, such as county officials, contact agents, etc.

If you are interested in applying for this working group, please complete the application and return it to committees@aamva.org. If you have any questions, please contact Casey Garber, Manager, Vehicle Programs.

This Week's Webinars

**NMVTIS State Web Interface (SWI) – Understanding the Administrative Features**

Tuesday, January 15, 2019, 2:00 - 3:00 pm (ET)

The NMVTIS SWI Web Application is used by the states to perform title verification and data corrections. This webinar focuses on how the states use the administrative features to oversee the states user community. A brief overview of the SWI application is also provided. The SWI application has been built so that each state manages their own user community. This includes configuring the system with organizations to which users are assigned. The state administrator is responsible for user role assignments and user account activation and deactivation. The SWI Application also includes a reporting component that allows state administrators to monitor user activity.

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

**NMVTIS Suspense Resolution for Online States (AMIE Version) – Part 1**

Thursday, January 17, 2019, 2:00 - 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.*

Phased County Rollout of Kentucky's New, Secure Driver's Licenses Begins in March

The Kentucky Transportation Cabinet (KYTC) has announced the anticipated rollout of the state's new identity credentials, slated to become available gradually in counties beginning in March 2019 through spring. The Cabinet is spearheading the Confident Kentucky initiative to offer two new license, permit and personal ID card versions applicants can choose from the next time they are due to renew existing credentials at their local Circuit Court Clerk office. The new system is expected to be in place statewide by May and is part of an effort to introduce a new REAL ID compliant credential by boosting the security of all card production and issuance. [Read more here.](#)

Ontario Freezing More Driver and Vehicle Fees

Ontario’s Government for the People is taking another step to make life more affordable for taxpayers and businesses by putting a stop to driver and vehicle fees that were set to increase on January 1, 2019. This is the second round of driver and vehicle fee increases that the Government for the People has cancelled. In September, fees for driver’s licences and road and knowledge tests were frozen. [Read more here.](#)
**Updated Spanish Driver Manual Now Available at NJMVC**

For the first time in over a decade, the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission is pleased to announce the Spanish language version of The New Jersey Driver Manual is now available in hard copy. Read more here.

**Pennsylvania Governor Outlines Efforts to Combat Human Trafficking, Encourages Public to Learn and Watch for Signs**

Executives from the Pennsylvania departments of Transportation (PennDOT) and Human Services (DHS), Pennsylvania State Police (PSP), and the Governor's Commission on Asian Pacific American Affairs were joined by advocates and a human trafficking survivor to discuss efforts to combat human trafficking and educate the public on the issue. Human trafficking is the exploitation of people using force, fraud, or coercion for the purposes of commercial sex, forced labor, or domestic servitude. According to the International Labor Organization, there are 21 million victims of human trafficking globally generating $150 billion annually for traffickers. January is recognized as Human Trafficking Awareness Month, with January 11 marking #WearBlueDay to raise awareness of trafficking. Read more here.

**GNWT to Hold Engagement Sessions for Possible Mandatory Entry-level Training for New Class 1 and Class 2 Drivers**

The Government of the Northwest Territories (GNWT) will be holding engagement sessions to gather input for possible mandatory entry-level training for new Class 1 and Class 2 drivers. Currently, the GNWT does not have regulated training requirements for Class 1 or 2 licences. Mandatory training could result in safer, more highly skilled drivers working in the truck and bus industries. Read more here.

**New VIN for Nebraska Utility and Farm Trailers**

The New Year will bring changes for owners of utility and farm trailers in Nebraska. From January 1, owners of utility or farm trailers will be asked to include the Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) of their utility or farm trailer when registering their trailer for the first time, or when renewing their registration. If the trailer does not have a VIN, or if the VIN is unknown, the County Treasurer office will provide one. The County Treasurer will also provide a decal to display the assigned VIN on the trailer at no additional cost to the owner. Read more here.

**Michigan State Police Motor Carrier Officers Join Forces to Fight Human Trafficking**

As part of National Human Trafficking Awareness Month, Michigan State Police (MSP) motor carrier officers are teaming up with officers from neighboring states to educate motorists about the signs of human trafficking and to enforce laws that crack down on traffickers. From Jan. 14-18, 2019, MSP motor carrier officers will join with colleagues from the Ohio State Highway Patrol, the Illinois State Police, and the Indiana State Police, along with the Truckers Against Trafficking (TAT) organization for this multi-state initiative. Read more here.

**Contingency Plans for Federal Agencies as Government Shutdown Drags On**

**FEDERAL NEWS**

**Driver Training Curriculum Teaching Materials** (Ends 02/12/2019) Responses received from GA, ID, KS, LA, MI, NC, NE.

**Salvage** (Ends 02/12/2019) Responses received from AL, CT, DE, ID, IN, KY, LA, MD, ME, MN, MT, NE, PA, TX.

**DMV Staffing** (Ends 01/31/2019) Responses received from FL, IA, KY, LA, ME, NJ, OH, SD, WA, WI.

**DMV Web Portal for Law Enforcement** (Ends 01/31/2019) Responses received from AR, CT, DE, IA, ID, MD, ME, NC, NM, ON, RI, SC, SD, TX.

**Record retention** (Ends 01/21/2019) Responses received from AK, FL, IA, ID, IL, KY, LA, MB, MD, ME, NE, NJ, OH, PA, RI, SC, TX, UT, VA.

**Drive test during renewals - Medical Issues** (Ends 02/04/2019) Responses received from CA, CO, DE, FL, ID, IL, KS, LA, MB, ME, MI, MN, MS, NH, NJ, NY, PA, SD, WI, WV.

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As the partial government shutdown enters its third week, AAMVA again provides a link to the U.S. Department of Transportation's contingency plan for operations during a lapse in annual appropriations. The plan, updated for 2018, describes the impact of the lapse of funding on the Department and includes a summary of suspended activities on page 5 of the plan. The document further describes in detail the individual impacts on each modal agency throughout the plan. A complete listing of agency contingency plans during the lapse in appropriations is managed by the White House's Office of Management and Budget Agency Contingency Plans website, available here.

U.S. DOT Announces Automated Driving System Demonstration Grants
The United States Department of Transportation (DOT) has announced a Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Automated Driving System (ADS) Demonstration Grants. DOT has made available up to $60 million in federal funding to provide grants to eligible entities (including state governments) to fund demonstration projects that test the safe integration of automated driving systems into the Nation's on-road transportation system. These grants aim to gather significant safety data to inform rulemaking, foster collaboration amongst state and local government and private partners, and test the safe integration of ADS on our nation's roads. Grant applications are due on March 21, 2019 at 8:00 PM and should be submitted through www.grants.gov. Awardees will be announced in Spring of 2019.

PARTNER NEWS

NSC Joins PAVE Coalition to Build Public Understanding of Automated Vehicles
The National Safety Council is pleased to join a nationwide coalition of organizations dedicated to raising public awareness about automated vehicles and the safety benefits of advanced driver assistance systems. PAVE – an acronym for Partners for Automated Vehicle Education – will help counter the confusion about current and future technologies so drivers and policymakers are fully educated about the life-saving potential of these advancements. The PAVE Coalition was unveiled today at the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas. Read more here.

CVSA Supports the Fight to End Human Trafficking
January is National Slavery and Human Trafficking Prevention Month in the United States. The law enforcement community and motor carrier industry membership of the Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance (CVSA) fully supports this important cause and is committed to bringing awareness to the crime of human trafficking and working together to prevent human trafficking throughout Canada, Mexico and the United States. Read more here.

New Research: Skills Testing Delays Costing US Economy $1.5 Billion Annually
The Commercial Vehicle Training Association (CVTA) has released new research showing that commercial driver skills testing delays are responsible for $1.5 billion in annual economic losses for the US economy and more than 6.4 million days of delays for new commercial drivers, leading to significant lost wages for American workers. Commercial vehicle drivers are in high demand by the trucking and bus industries. However, in many states, Commercial Learner's Permit holders (CLP), who must take and pass a skills test to secure their Commercial Driver's Licenses (CDL) before going to work, are being prevented from sitting for this exam in a
timely manner. These delays are the result of a lack of appointments, testing personnel, or test centers. CLP holders in states with state-run testing centers are experiencing the most significant testing backlogs. At the same time, permit holders in states with third-party testing centers, either in complement with state testing centers or third-party testing centers only, experience fewer delays and are more quickly able to enter the workforce. Read more here.