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DECEMBER 2013 CPS TEAM Colorado

*Welcome to the newsletter for Child
Passenger Safety Technicians,
Instructors and Advocates in the
great state of Colorado!*

*We hope you find all the information
you need to stay connected to your
fellow safety professionals for
statewide CPS happenings, training*



*have a great photo or
story to share? Want
to brag about your
awesome team? We'd*

and national information.

Please feel free to contact us if you would like to see content added or have questions concerning information in this newsletter.

We welcome misuse photos, unique stories and information about the great things going on in your community!



11-15-13 Consumer Reports

New rules may change how parents install car seats and how they are 'rated'-Lower weight limits could mean more safety-belt installations

Interesting article on the pending label change requirements for LATCH labels, how the weight limits effect installation of car seats, and how the upper weight limits on lower anchors in vehicles may affect Consumer Reports ratings for seats.

[Read the full article here.](#)

11-4-13 Consumer Reports

The dangers of winter coats and car seats- How to keep your child warm and safe

love to hear about it!

[Click here to contact us](#)



CPS Training Calendar



Safe Kids and State Farm present:

Child Restraint

Manufacturer Update:

Summer Infant

Dec. 12, 2013 from 2 pm - 3 pm ET (East Coast/NY time) CPS CEUs available: 1 (CHES/MCHES credit is also available)

[Register now:](#)

<http://bit.ly/Dec12CPST>

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What's New January 23, 2014 from 2 pm - 3 pm ET (East Coast/NY time) CPS CEUs available: 1

(CHES/MCHES credit is also available)

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<http://bit.ly/Jan23CPST>



Handy article from Consumer Reports for parents on correct harness use and using bulky clothing.

Read the full article here



Child Passenger Safety Training Courses

The 2013-2014 Training Calendar is currently being developed. If you are interested in hosting a course in your area or attending a CPS Technician Certification course please [click here](#).

There are a limited number of CPS Team Colorado fully funded classes available. Class sites are determined by need, interest, State Coordinator and Advisory Council feedback. We will do our very best to get courses where they are requested.

Advocate courses (full or half day awareness class) are a great way to introduce someone to Child Passenger Safety. If you have community members interested in becoming involved in CPS please direct them to one of these courses. In some cases people make better advocates than technicians, they may not have time for the full course or it is just too overwhelming, an advocate

Recall information:
Links to several recall sheets
click on the name to be connected with the sheet:

* [Safety Belt Safe, USA](#)

* [University of North Carolina Highway Safety Research Center](#)

* [National Highway Traffic Safety Administration](#)

* [The Safety Restraint Coalition](#)



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course can be the spark to sustainable CPS involvement.

[Click here](#) to request an Advocate course in your area.

Continuing Education (also known as refreshers, CEU class, or Update Refresher) courses will be offered on a frequent basis across the state. Please consider attending one of these courses instead of getting all your CEU's online. Instructors will be available for the required seat checks.

Please [click here](#) to request a CE course in your area.

Continuing Education for hospital/healthcare based CPST's—addresses the unique needs and liability issues encountered by CPST's working in this environment.

[Click here](#) if you are interested in this course.

Certification Renewal courses are also available this year for CPS Technicians whose certification has expired within the past four years. One of the requirements of the course is that the technician has remained an active participant in CPS during the lapsed time.

This course can be taken consecutively with the CE course but IT IS NOT an update class. If you do not feel your skills are current please take the CE course prior to enrolling in this course.

[Click here](#) for more info.

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REPORT DATA
WILL BE
RANDOMLY
SELECTED TO
RECEIVE CPS
GOODIES!!
RECIPIENTS WILL
BE ANNOUNCED
IN THE 'CONE
AWARD' SECTION
OF THIS
NEWSLETTER.
DATA DRIVES
DOLLARS,
DOLLARS DRIVE
PROGRAMS!
ENTER YOUR
DATA TODAY!

The Biomechanics
Behind Child

Passenger Safety

Article from Children's
Hospital of Philadelphia's

Thomas Seacrist MBE

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**School Bus Safety
Handbook**



Meet the CPS Team Colorado State Training Coordinator- Corporal Heather Cobler

Corporal Heather Cobler began her career in Law Enforcement with the Colorado State Patrol 7 years ago. She worked in Commerce City for the first 4 years primarily investigating crashes, working as a Drug Recognition Expert and preserving traffic safety.



Cpl. Cobler then transferred to the Public Affairs Unit where she focused her direction toward safety education and crime prevention.

In December 2011 she was promoted to the rank of Corporal and assigned to the Child Passenger Safety Program. As the state coordinator for Child Passenger Safety Team Colorado her energy is directed at bringing the state together as a team to positively impact Child Passenger Safety in the State of Colorado.

NHTSA Mandating Seat Belts on New Motorcoaches

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration issued a final rule Nov. 20 that will require lap and shoulder seat belts for every seat on new motorcoaches and other large buses beginning in November 2016. This addresses the first priority area, passenger ejection, in the agency's plan for improving bus safety, and it also fulfills a



Handy Resource- The School Bus Safety Handbook: Choosing and Using Child Safety Restraint Systems and Wheelchairs, has been updated and is now available.

This edition has numerous changes, including updates to regulations and CSRS products that have happened since the first edition in 2009. In addition, new chapters have been added with detailed information about wheelchair use in school buses. Please take a look at the table of contents and sample chapters on the website:

www.saferidenews.com.

The handbook can be ordered using the form in the catalog, also on the website.

NHTSA May Add 'Silver' Rating for Older Motorists

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration released a five-year strategic plan aiming to increase the safety of older motorists, saying the plan was posted in support of Older Driver Safety Awareness Week (Dec. 2-6). The numbers NHTSA provided explain why a plan is needed: Since 2003, the population of Americans 65 and older has risen by 20 percent and the number of licensed drivers in that age group rose by 21 percent, to 35 million licensed older drivers in 2012.

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mandate in the new federal transportation funding law enacted in July 2012. The agency considered applying the requirement to buses manufactured before November 2016 but said it decided not to after assessing the costs and benefits.

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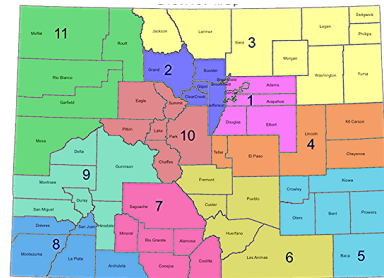
Colorado CPS News

The CPS Team Colorado Training Coordinator and Heinrich Hispandid are in the early stages of developing a Translator Advocate program, Spanish will be the focus of this program but other languages may be offered in the future depending on interest. If you know of someone in your community that would be interested in taking the course or you/your inspection station can utilize a Spanish speaking CPS Translator, please contact us.

[Click here](#)

Children's Hospital Colorado has a job opening for a part time Child Passenger Safety Coordinator. This position is responsible for coordinating comprehensive research-based CPS education and training programs under the child passenger safety program at Children's Hospital Colorado. For additional details, interested applicants are encouraged to visit <http://www.childrenscolorado.org/careers> , click on "Search online for jobs at Children's Hospital Colorado," and enter "child passenger safety" in the Keyword search box to find Job i.d.#46692. For additional information, you may contact Dwayne Smith at (720) 777-8412.

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The 'Cone Award' is on vacation this month..we need your photos and stories. Please send misuse or interesting photos to share!!



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AND HAPPY HOLIDAY
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