What’s New in the Passenger Safety Program
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Objectives:
- Describe best practices regarding child passenger safety.
- Discover the advantages of having a Child Passenger Technician in your office.
- Discuss how to integrate passenger safety into the public health workday.
- Explain the importance of Teen Impact

Child Passenger Safety Best Practices
- Rear-Facing (infant and convertible)
- Forward-Facing (harnessed seats)
- Boosters (belt positioning)
- Seat Belt
North Dakota Child Passenger Safety Law

- Children younger than 8 years / restraint must be used correctly
- A correctly-used seat belt may be substituted if at least 4'9" tall under 8 yr
- Children ages 8 through 17 must be properly secured in a seat belt or child restraint
- Children younger than 18 must be restrained in all locations of vehicle
- The penalty is $25 and one point against the driver.

National Child Passenger Safety Certification Training

- NHTSA - National Certification Training offered in every state.
- 3-4 day - fairly intense training
- Certification is good for two years
- Recertification
  - 6 CEUs
  - 2 hours community service
  - 6 approved installations by instructor or cps tech proxy
  - Fee

North Dakota Certified Car Seat Technicians 2018
Why certify?

- Distribution Program
- Offer car seat assistance (via best practice) to your clients
- Be a community resource
  - Health Fairs/Presentations/car seat checkups

How to integrate Passenger Safety into the public health workday.
Interaction with families
- Head lice check
- Health tracks screening
- Immunizations
- Newborn home visits
- Preschool screenings

Working with agencies
- WIC
- NDSU Extension office
- Social Services
- Going into the school for another task and do a presentation to a few classes at a time.

Common source of reliable information
- Work with other safety programs
- Families know who we are
- Every county has a public health office
- Nurses are already educators on a variety of information
- You don’t want to give out incorrect information.
Impact Teen

What is the leading cause of death for American teens?

Automobile collisions

What is Impact Teen?

Impact Teen Drivers is a non profit organization dedicated to changing the statistic that is 100% preventable crisis of death to teens due to reckless and distracted driving.
One day training for first responders, educators and health professionals interested in helping to curb this public health problem.

Evaluated and evidence based program is provided to the trainers as well as materials and campaigns to reach teens, younger audiences, parents and community members about the issue of distracted and reckless driving.

NDDOH has contracted with NDSU to do the trainings across North Dakota.

Stipend if your work will not pay for you to do these presentations.

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Resources:
ndhealth.gov
LRDHU.com
NHTSA.gov
visionzero.nd.gov
Impactteendrivers.org