

Motorcycle Safety Workshops (as of 3/7/16)

Motorcycle Helmets: New NHTSA Standards, Research & Enforcement

Motorcycle helmets are proven effective in reducing and preventing traumatic brain injury (TBI). However, mandatory helmet use laws are unpopular, many states no longer have all rider helmet laws and those that do have a high use of non-compliant or novelty helmets. What are the NHTSA standards which lead to the designation of a helmet as DOT-compliant? What is a novelty helmet? What are the challenges of enforcing helmet laws and how can law enforcement officers win a DOT-compliant motorcycle helmet case in court? Learn about the new motorcycle helmet safety standard FMVSS 218; review the incidence of fake helmet use, epidemiological data on their effectiveness, and laboratory testing to evaluate their impact performance; and discuss how to enforce DOT-compliant helmet laws.

The Future of Motorcycle Rider Training

Motorcycle rider training programs have existed since the 1960s with little change in the method of delivery until recently. What we know about crash data, how adults learn, the proliferation of on-line learning, and increased student demands/expectations have created challenges which are being addressed. Explore success stories from the changing faces of motorcycle rider training, learn what some organizations are doing to redefine rider education, and join in an open discussion on the future of rider training programs.

The Latest in Motorcycle Research That Could Impact States

The outcomes of three research projects addressing crash causation, lane-splitting and linking crash reports to hospital outcome data have implications that could impact how your community addresses motorcycle safety. The researchers will present their study findings and engage in a dialogue with participants regarding how they can use this information to reduce the severity and/or frequency of crashes in their state.

The Risks & Growing Push to Allow Off-road Vehicles on Public Roads

Learn about the growing state and national trend to permit the use of off-road vehicles on public roads and the risks associated with on-road use. Data will be presented to help you develop safety programs to reduce the frequency and severity of injuries associated with off-road vehicle use and advocacy programs to oppose legislation allowing on-road use.