Impaired Driving (as of 3/22/17)

Tools for Addressing Repeat DUI Offenders
The 24/7 program has created a buzz in the safety community as a potential solution for combating repeat impaired driving offenses, while some communities are using DUI courts to deal with repeat offenders. Learn how the 24/7 program works, including how it targets repeat offenders and the implementation challenges, and hear the latest research from the frontlines. You’ll also explore how DUI courts identify the risks and needs of repeat offenders and then monitor them to ensure adherence with court orders through the installation of ignition interlocks, alcohol monitoring, treatment, regular reporting to the court or probation department, or other means.

Ignition Interlocks: A Proven Technology for Stopping Drunk Drivers
Ten years ago, lawmakers were reluctant to require ignition interlock devices for drunk drivers. Today, approximately 30 states and D.C. require all convicted drunk drivers to install an interlock. Review the latest research, which explains why this technology is so effective, and discover best practices that can be used in your state.

New Approaches for Combatting Impaired Driving
Yes, there are new and innovative ways to stop impaired driving. Learn how law enforcement officials in North Carolina are using in-dash cameras to combat DUI. Explore how rideshare services like Lyft and Uber are providing a new transportation alternative for a safe ride home during peak DUI periods. And get a sneak peak at a new tablet application developed in New York that is improving the efficiency of DRE testing and documenting and analyzing test results.

Leveraging the Latest Research to Combat Drugged Driving
Drugged driving has become a hot topic in impaired driving over the past few years, yet much is unknown about the extent and nature of the problem. What can we learn from the latest research and are there proven countermeasures for dealing with this complex subject? Join in a discussion of the findings of the Washington Roadside Survey on Drugs and Alcohol and examine the legalization of recreational marijuana and its impact on traffic safety with leading researchers and safety officials on the frontlines.

Advancing Technology to Mitigate Drunk Driving
Advanced vehicle-integrated technology is demonstrating potential to mitigate the incidence of drunk driving. Technology research is being pursued by the automotive industry, the federal government and other technology providers. Learn about the progress being made by these efforts and hear more about the challenges yet to be conquered to develop this first-of-its-kind technology with potential to significantly reduce drunk driving.

Experiencing the Life-changing Effect of a Victim Impact Panel, Part 1
The purpose of a Victim Impact Panel (VIP) program is to share the long-term effects of traffic deaths and injuries, create empathy and understanding of the tragedy, make an impression that will change another’s thinking and behavior, and prevent future crashes. Panels give victims the opportunity to share their stories in a meaningful and healing way. At a VIP, victim advocates and survivors speak briefly about the crash in which they were injured and/or that claimed the life or seriously injured a loved one and share how it has changed their lives. During this first half of a two-part workshop, you’ll see how a VIP works and hear first-hand the devastating effects of unsafe roadway behaviors on others.

How to Effectively Partner with Victim & Survivor Advocates, Victim Impact Panel Part 2
Enlisting traffic crash survivors and families of crash victims to serve as spokespersons can be a powerful weapon in the fight against impaired or distracted driving or other unsafe behaviors. Victim and survivor advocates want to prevent the tragedy from happening to other families, and they offer a compelling case for stronger laws and other actions. In the second half of this Victim Impact Panel workshop, learn how to work with survivor and victim advocates to help them tell their story in a way that helps others understand the extent of the problem and actions they can take to protect themselves and their loved ones.
Understanding & Overcoming Impaired Driving Challenges Facing Law Enforcement

Law enforcement’s job is harder than ever with drunk and drugged driving presenting unique challenges you may not be aware of. A DUI arrest, for example, is time-intensive, resulting in a great deal of paperwork, and involves technical police work. Drugged driving has its own issues, including the challenge of determining impairment at roadside and the need for specialized officer training. Explore these and other challenges to gain a better understanding of the difficulties facing law enforcement and strategies to overcome them.

Oral Fluid Testing: A Game Changer for Detecting Drug-Impaired Drivers?

Oral fluid test results are being used in other countries to convict drug-impaired drivers, but until recently they weren’t admissible as evidence in DUI trials in the U.S. However, the precedent-setting use of oral swab evidence to convict a man of DUI in Kern County, California, could popularize the technology in the U.S. Learn how oral fluid testing is being used in a number of states and how it fits into impaired driving enforcement for roadside testing and evidentiary purposes. You’ll have the opportunity to explore how this promising technology can help law enforcement officials detect drivers who are impaired by drugs or a combination of drugs and alcohol.

What Happens When You Drive Impaired by Alcohol or Other Drugs?

Ever wonder what happens when a police officer pulls over a driver suspected of being under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs? Experience the process starting with the roadside stop, followed by evaluation of impairment and the arrest by a police officer, evidence-gathering and identifying witnesses by the prosecution, and taking the case to trial if needed. You’ll also learn about the adjudication process and the roles of probation and parole. You’ll walk away with a better understanding of the resources and expertise invested in removing impaired drivers from the road.

Implementation & Use of E-Warrant Systems in Impaired Driving Cases

As a result of the June 2016 U.S. Supreme Court ruling on Birchfield v North Dakota, warrantless blood testing of suspected impaired drivers is no longer permissible. Learn how states are working to efficiently secure warrants when blood testing is necessary and how to set up these systems.