Impaired Driving (as of March 10)

**Impaired Driving Enforcement Saves Lives: Be Your Department’s Leader**
Strong and effective enforcement is critical for reducing impaired driving. Learn about the newest enforcement tools that can help you be a force multiplier for your agency. Also learn to recognize different personality traits of impaired drivers and adapt the investigation approach to obtain their cooperation. And gain tips for how to improve the public’s perception of law enforcement.

**Meeting the Challenge When Marijuana Is Legalized**
Increasingly, states are on the front lines in dealing with the challenges that accompany legalizing the recreational use of marijuana. Hear how legalization is affecting the impaired driving system in states, especially enforcement, and how states are meeting the challenge.

**Bringing a Rideshare Program to an Area Near You**
On-demand rideshare programs such as Lyft and Uber have given millions of urbanites a way to get home safely after drinking, benefitting all roadway users. But finding a participating driver can be difficult or downright impossible in many suburban or rural areas. Learn how communities are successfully bringing on-demand rideshare programs to town.

**Best Practice E-Warrant Systems for DUI and DUID Enforcement**
All law enforcement officers know that time is of the essence when obtaining a warrant allowing blood to be drawn from alcohol-impaired or drug-impaired drivers. The good news is that technology is making it easier and faster to obtain blood testing warrants. Learn how your agency can set up an efficient systems to secure electronic warrants when blood testing is necessary as speakers review research, best practices, and case studies.

**Leveraging New Research to Combat Impaired Driving**
Nearly one in three crash deaths in 2016 involved a drunk driver; new research findings can help address this pervasive problem. The findings of the first-ever naturalistic study of alcohol-impaired driving will be examined. You’ll also review research that examines whether it’s practical to install interlocks on motorcycles, how interlock recorder data can be used to manage offenders and evaluate programs, and whether Washington State’s interlock law is increasing interlock installations and reducing recidivism.

**The Healing Power of Victim Impact Panels**
Victim Impact Panels (VIP) share first-hand accounts of the long-term effects of traffic deaths to create empathy and understanding among the offenders about the harm they caused to victims and the community and to prevent future tragedies from occurring. Panels give victims and survivors the opportunity to speak briefly about the crash and how it has affected their lives, fostering healing and a renewed emotional, mental, and spiritual well-being.

**New & Proven Approaches to Address Repeat DUIs**
Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for veterans, especially in the first few years after returning home, and the problem is increasing among young veterans. Explore how judges are merging Veterans Courts and DWI Courts to reduce impaired driving among veterans. Learn how some Canadian jurisdictions are using short-term vehicle impoundment to reduce recidivism. Take a fresh look at using the proven tools of screening, assessment, pre-trial actions, and court supervision to deal with repeat DUI offenders.
Making Progress in Eliminating Impaired Driving
The rate of drunk driving fatalities in the U.S. has fallen significantly over the past 25 years, but what will it take to completely eliminate the problem? Hear the results of the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine study on ways to accelerate the nation’s progress in reducing alcohol-impaired driving fatalities, including interventions, programs and policies. Also review highlights from the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration’s Report to Congress on marijuana and driving, including detection and measurement methods and the challenges to setting a per se level.

New Training & Technical Assistance to Support Ignition Interlock Programs
Learn about the newest, evidence-based tools for strengthening your state’s alcohol ignition interlock program, including the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration’s newly-released online training for law enforcement personnel; a Texas Department of Transportation-sponsored training program for law enforcement and probation officers, prosecutors, and judges; and the Traffic Injury Research Foundation’s DWI Dashboard tool.

Using State Task Forces to Strengthen Impaired Driving Systems
Texas and Oklahoma are having remarkable success using statewide task forces to identify gaps in their impaired driving system and lead major changes to reduce impaired driving. Learn how this approach can work in your state.

Recreating the Unknown: Impaired Driving Crash Investigation & Reconstruction
Take an in-depth look at major fatal highway crash investigations involving alcohol or drug impairment, including a tractor-trailer crossover collision with a bus in Oklahoma, a tractor-trailer work zone crash in Tennessee, and a crash involving nine bicyclists in Michigan. Learn how investigators gather evidence to determine the role played by alcohol and/or drugs, including synthetic cannabinoids; the specific impairing substances involved; and the relative contribution of fatigue and substance impairment.