Are They Really Ready for a Driver License?

- How new drivers are tested is changing and more directed to preventing crashes among the newly licensed.
- Explore how Ohio's Bureau of Motor Vehicles is using a validated virtual driving test to assess applicants' ability to avoid a collision. See how they have integrated this into the workflow of busy licensing centers, including pilot evaluation results.
- Also learn about the Driver Competency Assessment, a validated on-road exam conducted by driving schools to assess higher order driving skills and preparedness to drive without supervision.
- Some states are also implementing 3rd party testing to alleviate the congested licensing centers. How are they working to keep this process objective and effective at only licensing applicants who have the skills to avoid crashing?
- Wrapping up will be a representative from American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators to help synthesize these resources for action.

Novice Teen Driver Education and Training Administrative Standards

- NTDETAS Strategic Plan includes:
  - Ongoing Strategies: Identify Emerging Issues and National Priorities
    - www.anstse.info
    - Provide assistance on emerging issues and national priorities.
  - Strategy #4: Enhance the Relationship Between Driver Education and Driver Licensing through collaboration with State agencies to develop guidelines for driver education and driver license testing programs and encourage States to implement the AAMVA NMDTS.
    - Collaborate with State agencies to develop guidelines for Driver Education and Driver License Testing Programs for students who successfully passed an approved driver education course.
Third Party Skills Testing

The reason that jurisdictions are implementing third party skills testing (TPST) is to reduce wait time for skills test and to make it easier for the public.

States Without TPST for Teens

- Arkansas
- Delaware
- California
- Connecticut
- Georgia
- Hawaii
- Iowa
- Indiana
- Kansas
- Kentucky
- Louisiana
- Maine
- Maryland
- Massachusetts
- Minnesota
- Mississippi
- Montana
- Nevada
- New Hampshire
- New Jersey
- New York
- North Carolina
- North Dakota
- Ohio
- Rhode Island
- West Virginia
- Wisconsin
- Wyoming
States With a Waiver System for Skills Test for Teens

- Oregon - Completion of State approved DE

Written Exam TPST

- Colorado (No CDL)
- Delaware (No CDL)
- Florida (Proctored)
- Louisiana
- New Mexico
- South Carolina
- Texas
- Washington State

Who May Provide TPST

- Public High School driver educators and DMV private driving school instructors.
- Individuals must attend training at their own expense and CDL examiners must be bonded.
- Department of Education or Private School Certified Driver Education Teachers.
- CDL ALEA certified instructors.
- Entities trained by the state and meet all requirements to do skills testing.
Who May Provide TPST

- 3rd Party CDL examiners and driver training schools.
- Public and private organizations
- Community Colleges that do CDL Training.
- Anyone licensed to provide driver education and training.
- Certified/Licensed Driver Education instructor, who is currently employed by any school district or commercial driver training school.

How Does the Program Work Keep This Process Objective and Effective at Only Licensing Applicants Who Have the Skills to avoid Crashing?

- State employees train all the third party testers.
- Conduct covert and overt audits/re-exams.
- For CDL examiners are trained and retrained including auditing regularly.
- Non-Commercial and Motorcycle examiners have less oversight but still have some recurrent training.
- Students must have 50 hour drive time and pass the skill test to be licensed.
- State employees train all the third party testers and conduct covert audits including re-exams as deemed necessary.

How Does the Program Work Keep This Process Objective and Effective at Only Licensing Applicants Who Have the Skills to avoid Crashing?

- Oversight of the individuals/schools are certified to administer these exams on our behalf.
- Every Third Party Tester has an auditor “ride along” at least once a year.
- Randomly retest individuals.
- Audited annually.
How Does the Program Work Keep This Process Objective and Effective at Only Licensing Applicants Who Have the Skills to avoid Crashing?

- Third party testing does not appear to be totally objective and effective.
- It appears to be a conflict of interest for private DMV licensed schools who charge for instruction even though they do not charge for the third party test.
- Many schools have a 0% failure rate for quite a few years and it is far from the failure rate at the DMV exam offices.

Monitoring TPST Examiners

- Monitored at renewal time.
- Refresher courses are required as well.
- CDL - Yes. Non-Commercial and motorcycle rarely.
- CDL vendors audited two times annually.
- CDL testers but not for Non-CDL testers.

Monitoring TPST Examiners

- Overt and covert monitoring.
- Observe test administration.
- Review record keeping.
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