CPS Celebrity Car Seat Challenge
Kicks off National CPS Week, September 16 - 22, 2013

September 16, 2013
Charleston, WV

On September 16, 2013, a “Celebrity Car Seat Challenge” was held at the Shops at Kanawha. This was a fun and challenging way to kick off CPS Week in West Virginia and to prove that installing child safety devices is not “Child’s Play”.

Those participating were Steve Dale, West Virginia DMV Commissioner; Jeff Jeffries, WQBE; Dennie Large, Tri-States CW WQCW TV; Wade Hill, Electric 102.7; Jenifer McAndrews, WCHS and WVAH, Fox 11 and News Channel 8 news anchor and last year’s returning champion; Brian Egan, New Wolf and Friends Morning Show, 96.1 The Wolf, also a returning champion from last year.

Dennie Large of Tri-States CW WQCW TV won the competition. The winner was chosen according to a scoring system, consisting of various points of correct installations.

~ More pictures and details on 2013 CPS week activities are continued on Pages 2 and 3
Remember:
Check and update your profile often; this is very important! Logon today to http://cert.safekids.org online services and ensure that your address, email address, phone number and recertification info are current and up to date.

IT’S YOUR RESPONSIBILITY TO KEEP YOUR PROFILE UP TO DATE!

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Feel free to contact one of us via email should you have any questions. We will be happy to help you and answer any questions or concerns that you may have.

A Message From...
Trish Anderson,
CPS Coordinator

Thanks to everyone for all their hard work this year! Without you the program would not be a success! If you have any pics or stories send them to me and I’ll be happy to publish them in the next newsletter.

For more information, visit our website: www.dmv.wv.gov/cps

Check out these websites to receive CEUs:
• www.safekids.org/certification
• www.carseat.org
• www.cpsboard.org
• www.saferidenews.org

Celebrity Car Seat Challengers: from left to right: Steve Dale, Jeff Jeffries, Dennie Large, Wade Hill, Jenifer McAndrews, Brian Egan
CPS Tech Certification Classes

Bridgeport, WV • Harrison County
September 17-20, 2013
Instructors: Dave Cook and Earl Cook
Technicians:
Zachary Bartlett, Harrison CSD; Steven Bennett, Morgantown PD; Joyce Cooley, Monongalia Co. Schools; Randall Durrett, Taylor CSO; Paul Graeber, Clarksburg PD; Krisinda Heavener, Easter Reg. Family Resource Network; Greg Hoskins; Zachary Mealey, Harrison CSD; Sam Morrison, Harrison CSD; Shaunda Ray, Wetzel Co. Center for Children and Families; Tammy Renzelli, Bridgeport PD; Greg Scolapio, Harrison CSD; Chris Willis, Clarksburg PD

Charleston, WV • Kanawha County
October 22-25, 2013
Instructors: Dave Cook, Bob Tipton, & Earl Cook
Back Row, Left to Right:
Lezli Baker, Monroe Co. Early Head Start; Phillip Bass, St. Albans PD; Rachel Blankenship, WVSP; Jay Church, Ashland, KY PD; Amy Dowdy, Monroe Co. Schools; Nicholas Lewis, Ashland, KY PD; Lori McClung, WVSP; Eric McClung, WVSP
Front Row, Left to Right:
Sheila McCuskey, St. Albans PD; Dwight Meadows, St. Albans PD; Scott Menefee, Ashland, KY PD; Jarred Ramey, WVSP; Aaron Truitt, St. Albans PD; John Truitt, St. Albans PD; John Tupper, WVSP; Erik Wilder, Ashland, KY PD; Codie Wingo, WVSP

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2014 Curriculum Update! The CPS Board and NHTSA are finalizing the revision of the curriculum. NHTSA is currently finishing up the final review and then it’s off to the curriculum designer for the final touches. There are many stages in the process to get the curriculum from the review stage into the hands of the Instructors. The CPS Board has made a commitment to provide the Instructors with time to prepare to teach the new material. We are encouraging the Instructor teams in each State to develop an implementation or roll out plan for the new curriculum. In an effort to make sure that the CPS Board meets all deadlines and that we have the materials to the Instructors at least 2 months prior to the start date, we have set the date of March 1, 2014 as the curriculum implementation date. With this date in mind, current Instructors should receive their copy of the teaching materials around January 1st.

The CPS Board will be hosting a Webinar in early January to walk through the changes in the curriculum and provide some tips to ensure a successful first class. We will have the date and sign up procedures posted in the next CPS Express with a follow-up email to all Instructors. We appreciate your patience as we develop the new curriculum.

~Submitted by the Curriculum Committee, National Child Passenger Safety Board

Kidz In Motion Classes

Charleston, WV • Kanawha County
October 21, 2013
Instructors: Dave Cook and Earl Cook

Kidz In Motion Courses - Upon completion of the KIM course, techs receive 6 CEU’s needed to re-certify with Safe Kids. The following KIM classes were conducted this past year:

- March 14th, Parkersburg, WV - 7 students
- April 3rd, Beckley, WV - 12 students
- April 25th, Clarksburg, WV - 8 students
- May 31st, Huntington, WV - 9 students
- June 17th, Hinton, WV - 7 students
- September 26th, Charleston, WV - 18 students
**Tips**

**how to get CEUs for recertification**

**Username and Password:** You will need your log in information. A personalized letter and emails are sent about 2 months in advance of your certification expiration, so log in and make sure that your CPS online profile (http://cert.safekids.org) is accurate. If you have misplaced your Username and Password, contact the toll-free customer service at 877-366-8154 or go to cps.certification@safekids.org.

You need 6 CEUs (you can mix and match) to recertify. Many may be done at your convenience. Here are a few free ideas to get you started...

**You can earn up to 3 CEUs in this category (Category 5 - Newsletters, etc.)**

**Read the Tech Update**

- At the CPS Board’s home page (www.cpsboard.org), click on ‘Click’ then ‘Earn Recertification Credits’. Scroll down towards the bottom of the page. You will have several editions to choose from.
- Two updates with quizzes for one CEU only (1 CEU max).
- Read two editions and take the quizzes. Keep a printout of the quizzes. If you are randomly selected to be CEU-audited, you will have to send in the quizzes.
- 1 CEU maximum (limit two quizzes for 1 CEU)

**Take the LATCH manual quiz**

- Take the LATCH Manual Quiz at www.saferidenews.com
- At the Safety Belt Safe USA home page, click on CEUs for Recertification (under the column ‘Tools for Techs’)
- To get to the quiz, you must click on the blue word ‘Quiz’ near the bottom of the page.
- 1 CEU maximum (limit one quiz)

**You can earn 5 CEUs in this category (Category 4 - Webinars/Online Courses)**

- www.cpsboard.org - 4 online presentations worth 1 CEU each. Click on ‘Earn Recertification Credits’ to access the online presentations and quizzes. Read the instructions and requirements carefully. A certificate of completion will be generated when the quiz is passed (80%). Be sure you print from the computer before you start. You must be able to print proof at completion.
- Your CPS Online Profile: Two manufacturers provide online CEUs through special links in currently certified technicians’ online profiles by clicking on the ‘Online CEUs Action Item’ and selecting on ‘Britax’ or ‘Evenflo’. Follow the instructions provided.
Hinton, WV • Summers County
June 18-21, 2013
Instructors: Dave Cook and Earl Cook

Left to Right:
Derek Snively, Hinton PD; Joshua Stewart, Beckley PD; Kyler Wilson, The Community Crossing; Ed Thompson, City of Beckley FD

Parkersburg, WV • Wood County
June 16-19, 2013
Instructors: Dave Cook, Earl Cook, Brett Pickens

Technicians:
Nancy Bailey, WV DHHR; Kelley Cain, Gilmer Co. Family Resource Network; Megan Carpenter, WV DHHR; Cindy Carper, Roane Co. Family Resource Network, Samantha Cowan, Calhoun Co. Family Resource Network; Ashley Cunningham, Choices; Michaela Herrick, Choices; Tabetha McClung, WV DHHR; Judy Powell, Calhoun Co. Family Resource Network; Erica Richards, WV DHHR; Tammy Satterfield, Doddridge CSD; Miranda Stump, Choices; Manda Sutton, Choices

Martinsburg, WV • Berkley County
August 27-30, 2013
Instructors: Dave Cook and Earl Cook

Technicians:
Katherine Andrews, Berkeley Med. Center; Adam Buns, Berkeley CSD; Shelba Cook, Highway Safety; Robyn Fowler, Berkeley Co. Emergency Ambulance Auth.; Thomas Greenfield, Martinsburg PD; Donnie Grubb, Berkely Med. Center; Tracy Harmison, Berkeley Co. Emergency Ambulance Auth.; Matthew Harper, Shepherdstown PD; Timothy Harthun, Paw Paw PD; Darlene Hayhurst, Community Networks; William Henderson, Ranson PD; Dee Ray, Martinsburg FD; Ariel Rodriguez, Harrisonburg FD; Margaret Walker, EP Safe Community Program; Adam Watson, Ranson PD
During the 13th annual antique car show, the Ceredo Police Department set up its Child Passenger Safety Seat Checking Station to hand out Seat Belt and Child Passenger Safety Seat information and to check the car seats for proper installation, correct fit for the child, to make sure that the car seat was not expired and to check the NHTSA Child Safety Seat Recall list to make sure the seat was safe to keep in use by the parent or guardian.
This Log was developed exclusively for current and active CPS Certified Technicians use. Thanks to the techs that use this log on a regular basis. When installing or checking a child safety car seat for a friend, neighbor, family member, etc., often times the Governor’s Highway Safety Program (GHSP) Coordinator in that region is not aware of it.

Using this Log will better aid the Coordinator in obtaining a more accurate seat check/installation total number on a monthly basis. These numbers will be included in the GHSP Annual Report.

Entry is quick and easy! To use it, click: http://www.transportation.wv.gov/dmv/Pages/ChildPassengerSafetySeatCheckInstallationLog.aspx

When finished with your entry, the page will redirect you to the Safe Kids website, so that you may log on to your Safe Kids profile and enter your seat check (if needed) on your profile as well, for re-certification purposes. Done! If you enter your email address at the bottom of the form, a copy of the entry will be forwarded to you for your records.

Incentive reward for using the Child Passenger Safety Seat Check/Installation Log:

For the techs that enter all five seat checks in the CPS Seat Check Installation Log required in order to re-certify with Safe Kids, you are eligible for a reward, within your two-year recertification cycle.

Again, this does not take the place of entering your required seat checks on your Safe Kids profile.

Once you accomplish this task, please notify me via email at Trish.A.Anderson@wv.gov. I encourage you to use the log on a regular basis.

The reward is your choice of a long or short sleeve plog shirt; black with gold CPS Logo. Men’s sizes: Long Sleeve: Large; X-Large; XX-Large. Men’s short sleeve; Medium; Large; X-Large; XX-Large. Women’s sizes: Long sleeve: Large; X-Large; XX-Large. Short sleeve: Small; Medium; Large; X-Large.