News from Other Federal Partners

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Centers for Disease Control:

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) hosted a media event with the Rhode Island Police Chiefs' Association that highlighted the state's efforts to reduce distracted driving. The event focused on the importance of safety awareness and enforcement campaigns, particularly during the summer months when people are more likely to travel by car.

Chiefs of Police "Drive to Zero Deaths" campaigns. NEDSL is the first time law enforcement constituencies have combined efforts to effectively address this issue. The event was well attended by local law enforcement officials and included a demonstration that featured a formation of troopers, Batmobiles, and police helicopters.

The event also highlighted the success of the "Drive to Zero Deaths" campaign, which has resulted in a significant decrease in fatalities. Since the campaign started, there has been a 27.3% decrease in fatalities, or 2,437 lives saved.

In addition to the enforcement campaign, the event featured a discussion on the importance of education and awareness. The CDC and NHTSA emphasized the need for ongoing education to ensure that drivers understand the risks associated with distracted driving.

In summary, the event was a chance to celebrate the progress made in reducing distracted driving fatalities and to recommit to working together to make our roads safer for all drivers.

New Hampshire:

New Hampshire is very proud to be one of the states addressing the problem of distracted driving. The state has implemented a number of strategies to reduce distracted driving, including education campaigns and increased enforcement.

In 2013, New Hampshire saw a decrease of 7.6% in the rate of distracted driving fatalities. This is a significant achievement, and New Hampshire plans to continue its efforts to keep the roads safe for all drivers.

Massachusetts:

The Massachusetts Department of Transportation (MassDOT) has been a leader in addressing distracted driving. The state has implemented a number of strategies to reduce distracted driving, including education campaigns and increased enforcement.

In 2013, Massachusetts saw a decrease of 10.2% in the rate of distracted driving fatalities. This is a significant achievement, and Massachusetts plans to continue its efforts to keep the roads safe for all drivers.

In addition, Massachusetts has implemented a number of strategies to reduce distracted driving, including education campaigns and increased enforcement.

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New Distance Learning Course Available

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) released a new distance learning course on the impact of marijuana use on driving behavior. The course is based on an evaluation conducted in collaboration with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

The course is designed to help law enforcement and public health practitioners understand the impact of marijuana use on driving behavior and to provide them with evidence-based strategies to reduce the risk of crashes caused by marijuana use.

The course includes information on the effects of marijuana on driving behavior, including the risk of crashes and the impact on reaction time. It also includes information on the role of marijuana in driving fatalities and how to reduce the risk of crashes caused by marijuana use.

The course is available online and can be accessed by law enforcement and public health practitioners. It is a valuable resource for anyone who wants to learn more about the impact of marijuana use on driving behavior.