

# NHTSA Impaired Driving Update

March 2016

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In the United States, Cinco de Mayo has become synonymous with festive fiestas and salty margaritas. Historically, the fifth of May commemorates Mexico's 1862 victory over France at the Battle of Puebla during the Franco-Mexican War. Unfortunately, there is no victory when partygoers drink and drive. NHTSA's *Buzzed Driving is Drunk Driving* campaign reminds those celebrating Cinco de Mayo to always plan ahead—designate a sober driver or find another way to get home safely. Click [here](#) for campaign materials.

## Cinco de Mayo

**May 5, 2016**



Before you drink so much  
this starts looking good to you.  
designate the sober driver.

 cinco de mayo

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Amigos don't let  
Amigos drive drunk.  
Designate a sober driver.

# Partner's Corner

## Fourth Annual AIIPA Conference

*"Promoting Progress Through Practice"*

The Association of Ignition Interlock Program Administrators ([AIIPA](#)) Conference brings together a unique combination of science, technology, program management, vendor oversight strategies, latest trends, legal reviews and cutting edge research on ignition interlock programs. Speakers will include professionals from federal and state governments, public safety, public health, research, industry and practitioners who address pressing ignition interlock challenges and discuss what has been proven to work. State program administrators, driver license administrators, corrections officers, prosecutors, judges, private or nonprofit program providers, manufacturers, and academics are encouraged to attend.



**May 15-18, 2016**

**Embassy Suites Denver Downtown  
Convention Center**

**Denver, CO**

[Register Now](#)

*Early Bird Registration ends April 15th!*

## Traffic Issues in the 21st Century



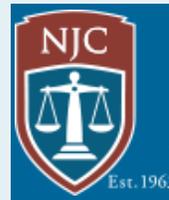
**May 16-19, 2016**

**Reno, NV**

***Limited Scholarships Available!***

Tuition + Up to \$500 for qualifying travel and lodging expenses.

Contact **Rebecca Bluemer** for more information at [bluemer@judges.org](mailto:bluemer@judges.org) or (775) 327-8269.



**THE NATIONAL  
JUDICIAL COLLEGE**

The arena of traffic-related legal matters is constantly evolving, so it is necessary for traffic adjudicators to stay up-to-date on these issues. The NJC Traffic Issues in the 21st Century course covers the most up-to-date, pertinent traffic topics in our courts today.

Topics include fundamentals of alcohol and drug testing, understanding addiction issues, marijuana legalization and related traffic issues, Standardized Field Sobriety Test (SFST) information and demonstration, distracted driving issues, elder driver issues, self-represented litigants, and Commercial Driver's License issues.

For more information, visit: <http://resources.judges.org/eCasts/2016/TrafficIssues/Traffic.html>

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## **FREE Webinar on the Importance of BAC Testing in all Fatal Crashes**

*Continuing Medical Education/Continuing Education (CME/CE) credits available*

Come learn more about the importance of blood alcohol concentration (BAC) testing and reporting through this CME/CE course on Medscape, the leading medical education website! The course discusses the purpose of BAC testing and how to report test results to the appropriate state agency for inclusion in the Fatality Analysis Reporting System. Pathologists, coroners, medical examiners and clinicians involved in collection and analysis of traffic crash data are encouraged to participate. This activity is presented through a collaboration between Medscape, the Association of State and Territorial Health Officials (ASTHO) and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA). To access the **free** course, visit <http://www.medscape.org/viewarticle/853790>.

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## **Judicial Outreach Liaisons—does your state have one?**

State Judicial Outreach Liaisons (SJOLs) serve as a liaison between the judiciary and state highway safety office. They also provide resources such as educational workshops to State and local judges and provide technical assistance and national and state specific resources. Each SJOL develops a network of contacts with judges, judicial educators, state drug and DWI court coordinators, administrative offices of the courts, and traffic safety allied professionals. This network allows for the dissemination of case law updates, legislative updates, research, statistics, and public policy as it relates to impaired driving and other highway safety programs

The following states have established Judicial Outreach Liaisons:

Delaware	Montana	Pennsylvania	Texas
Indiana	Oklahoma	South Carolina	Vermont
Michigan	Georgia	Tennessee	Washington



For more information about how to contact your SJOLs or establish one in your state, please contact Caroline Cash at [caroline.cash@dot.gov](mailto:caroline.cash@dot.gov).

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## Locked Out!

*Today's ignition interlock systems, along with better monitoring and stricter penalties, are keeping drunken drivers off our roads.*

The State Legislatures Magazine published an article in the March issue regarding the effectiveness of ignition interlocks in reducing traffic fatalities due to intoxicated driving. Ann Teigen, author of the article, discusses improvements in ignition interlock technology and the expansion of interlock legislation. She also mentions the discrepancy between the number of people required to install interlocks and the number of devices that are actually installed, in addition to the shift towards comprehensive monitoring of installation. Click [here](#) to read the full article.



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## Technology That Saves Lives—A Report on Ignition Interlocks



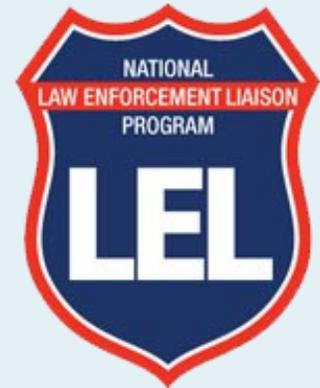
Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) recently released their 2016 Ignition Interlock report entitled “How Technology has Stopped 1.77 million Drunk Drivers: A State by State Guide to Creating a Future of No More Victims.” This report is the first of its kind and includes a state-by-state analysis of current ignition interlock laws based on five key criteria, how interlocks change drunk driving behavior—even after removal, and MADD’s recommendations, broken down by state, for strengthening the laws currently in place. Click [here](#) to sign up for receiving a copy of the full report.



## Free Webinar

# Now That I've Stopped Them, What Can I Do?

The LEL Webinar Series once again presents Maryland's Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutors (TSRPs), David Daggett and Jonathan Naylor, for Part II of our three-part series "It All Starts with a Traffic Stop." This session features a guide to search and seizure law related to motor vehicles. The webinar will address such basic questions as when can a vehicle be searched? Who can be searched? What can be searched? What rights to passengers have? Can drivers and passengers be ordered out of the vehicle? Can they be patted down? How long can they be detained? This is an outstanding Fourth Amendment refresher sessions for law enforcement officers and LELs.



**Wednesday, April 20, 2016**

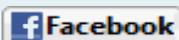
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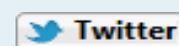
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