

# NHTSA Impaired Driving Update

August 2016

## Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over

### *National Drunk Driving Enforcement*

**August 19—September 5 (Labor Day)**

This Labor Day weekend, the 2016 national enforcement mobilization “Drive Sober or Get Pulled Over” goes into effect across the country from August 19-September 5.

By increasing State enforcement efforts, raising public awareness through paid, earned, and social media and maximizing your local resources, you can make a marked difference in our national campaign to save more lives on our roadways.

To access campaign materials, visit <http://www.trafficsafetymarketing.gov/LaborDayWeekend>.



The 2016  
*Drive Sober or  
Get Pulled Over*

**National  
Drunk Driving  
Enforcement**

Friday, **August 19**, through  
Labor Day Monday, **September 5**



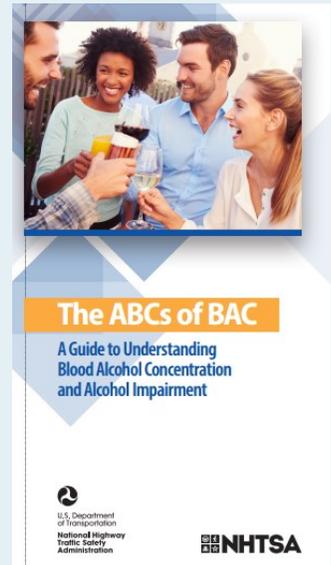
  
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# New from NHTSA

## The ABCs of BAC

### *A Guide to Understanding Blood Alcohol Concentration and Alcohol Impairment*

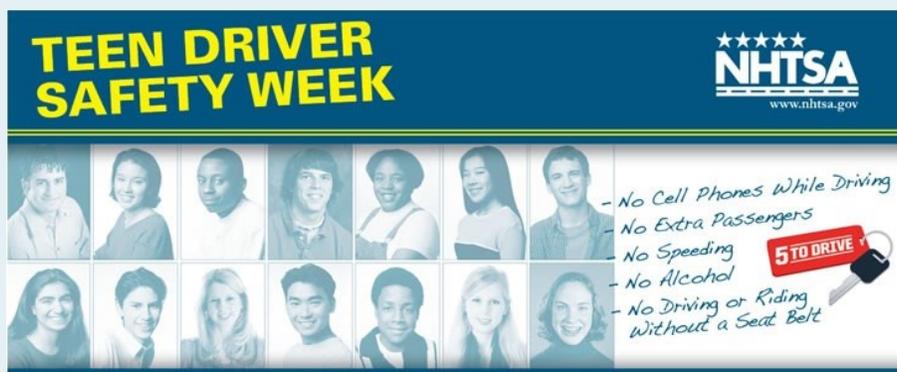
NHTSA recently released an updated version of The ABCs of BAC. This brochure is designed to help readers understand the Basics of Blood Alcohol Concentration and alcohol impairment. It answers important questions such as, “What is BAC? What affects my BAC? How will I know I’m impaired, and why should I care?” The brochure also provides tips for staying safe when drinking alcohol. Click [here](#) to access this publication.



## National Teen Driver Safety Week

*October 16-22, 2016*

Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death for 14-18 year olds in the US. In fact, in 2014, there were 2,614 teen passenger vehicle drivers (15-19 years old) involved in fatal crashes and an estimated 130,000 were injured. Yet, a survey showed that only 25% of parents have had a serious talk with their kids about the key components of driving. Parents need to take the time to talk with their kids about the many dangers of driving. Those issues include alcohol, seat belts, cell phones, speeding, and extra passengers. Click [here](#) for marketing materials.



# Partner's Corner

## ***Now Open:*** Lifesavers Speaker Proposal Submission

The Lifesavers Conference Planning Committee is now accepting speaker proposals for the 2017 Conference which will be held March 26-28 in Charlotte, North Carolina. Proposals must be submitted via Lifesavers' online portal and will be accepted until August 31, 2016. All speaker proposals are carefully reviewed for their applicability to the Lifesavers Conference audience with a particular focus on "research to practice" and "vigorously evaluated programs." Researchers, academicians, students and practitioners are also welcome to submit a poster via a separate application process in lieu of or in addition to a speaker proposal; however, the same review process applies. The [poster](#) submission portal will open this September and are due January 17, 2017.

A limited number of scholarships are available to help speakers from non-profits, government agencies and advocacy groups offset a portion of their travel/conference expenses. The application deadline for scholarships is November 18, 2016. Click [here](#) to apply.



**Proposal Submissions Due**

**August 31, 2016**

[Submit here](#)

## **NOYS Fall Youth Correspondent Application *Now Available!***

The National Organizations for Youth Safety (NOYS) is accepting applications for Youth Correspondents. Youth Correspondents are youth between the ages of 15-21 with an interest in journalism, creative writing, public relations, photography, graphic design, animation, film production, web design, and other forms of artistic expression. Working in small teams, Youth Correspondents collaborate with their colleagues to create safety messages using their communication and multimedia skills. Previous portfolios have focused on topics such as bullying, drunk driving, pedestrian safety, speeding and suicide. Applicants also have the option to become a Youth Correspondent Advisor, a peer leader who also receives professional and leadership development opportunities. For more information, visit <https://noys.org/get-involved/youthcorrespondents/>.

**Applications due**

**August 31, 2016**

[Apply Now](#)



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## IACP Training Conference on Drugs, Alcohol, and Impaired Driving



The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP) is hosting its 22nd Annual Training Conference on Drugs, Alcohol, and Impaired Driving. This conference provides certified drug recognition experts (DREs), physicians, toxicologists, prosecutors, and other traffic safety professionals with a forum in which to share information, best practices, and lessons learned in law enforcement drug settings. This year, topics will include the traffic safety implications of ending marijuana prohibition, the use of Oral

Fluid Testing for DUID, and improving DRE evaluation and report writing among many others. This event is NOT open to the general public and is limited to sworn officers, first responders, and civilian employees of public safety and government agencies. Visit <http://www.theiacp.org/DREConference> for conference information, registration and lodging details.

**August 13-15, 2016**

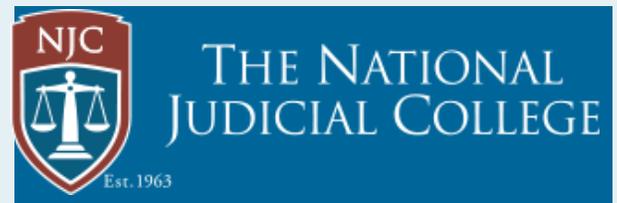
**Hyatt Regency Hotel**

**Denver, CO**

**[Register Now](#)**

## Drugged Driving Essentials Course

The National Judicial College (NJC) is holding the course "Drugged Driving Essentials" in September. The course is presented to increase judicial knowledge about drug-impaired driving. Unlike alcohol-impaired driving, drugged driving has no bright line test for impairment. Drugged driving cases



require a judge to utilize a variety of judicial tools to effectively adjudicate these cases. In addition to the ability to determine whether an individual may be under the influence of drugs, it is important to know how drugs affect the individual, and his/her ability to function. It is also imperative that a judge knows how to effectively craft sentences, which include treatment options, in order to provide a participant with the most beneficial mode of recovery.

After this course, attendees will be able to:

1. Describe the major classes of drugs, and discuss how they affect an individual's driving ability,
2. Describe what a Drug Recognition Expert (DRE) does, and identify how to qualify a DRE as an expert witness,
3. Give examples of effective sentencing techniques when dealing with an individual who is suffering from a drug abuse issue.

For more information about the course, tuition and registration, visit <http://www.judges.org/drugged-driving-essentials-1609/>.

**September 27–29, 2016**

**Reno, NV**

***Limited Scholarships Available!***

Contact **Rebecca Bluemer** for more information at

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## **FREE** TSRP Webinar *Turning a Refusal Case into a Test Case*

Missouri v. McNeely affected DWI enforcement by requiring search warrants for blood samples in “run of the mill” DWI cases where the suspect revokes his implied consent to submit to a test. In states like Iowa, the case had no impact because officers can never seek search warrants in such cases—in Iowa, compelled testing can only occur in injury/fatality cases. Therefore, a refusal is a refusal is a refusal—unless a refusal can be turned into consent testing. This webinar will explain how through close cooperation among law enforcement officers and prosecutors, Dubuque County, Iowa developed a successful plan which turns refusal cases into test cases.

**Tuesday August 9, 2016**

**3:00pm–4:00pm (EDT)**

[Register here](#)

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## **SADD Student of the Year: Reflection on NHTSA**

I am so incredibly thankful for the opportunity to work with the dedicated and knowledgeable staff at NHTSA. NHTSA allowed me to take the initiative and create presentations on topics that I had knowledge of and share that information with staff members. I was able to suggest ideas that I felt were beneficial to the topics being discussed, while gaining new perspectives on various traffic safety issues. NHTSA gave me the opportunity to learn, exchange ideas, innovate, and contribute to a movement to keep drivers safe on the roads. One of the most exciting and rewarding aspects of my internship was the ability to utilize my experience and knowledge I have gained through my involvement with SADD, along with my education in college, to assist with a program or meeting. It was rewarding to be able to contribute to the important work that NHTSA does.

I will cherish the friends I have made at NHTSA, and the experience that I have had here. My motivation to address youth traffic safety has been strengthened because of the inspiration that I have received during my time at the Department of Transportation. I will continually be inspired by NHTSA and the mission that it follows. “Zero fatalities on our roads” is a goal that will continue to motivate me after my time at NHTSA. I am excited to utilize the knowledge I have gained about impaired driving and the experience working on various projects in NHTSA to further combat the issue of impaired driving in my college, community, state, and nation!



Bryan Delaney, SADD  
Student of the Year

## Recovery Month Toolkit Now Available!

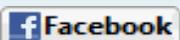
Every September, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) sponsors Recovery Month to increase awareness and understanding of mental and substance use issues and celebrate the people who recover. Coalitions can download their online toolkit that has information that can be targeted to different audiences, including veterans and their families, trauma survivors, and the LGBT community. The toolkit also includes facts about mental disorders and infographics about behavioral health, substance use disorders, prevention, and treatment and recovery.

Tips and resources for planning Recovery Month events and distributing information in communities across the nation are also available. You can also include your local event in their listing, download PSAs, and access social marketing messaging. Click [here](#) to download the toolkit.

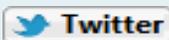


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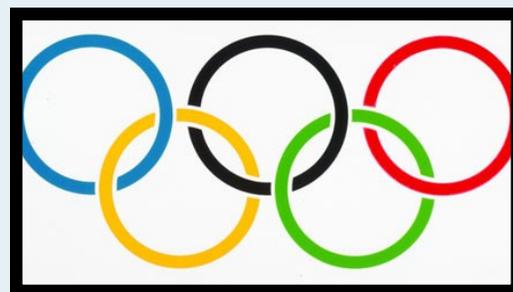


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