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#### Crash Database Newsletter Update on the new Wisconsin Crash Database and Crash Forms

Dear Transportation Safety Partner:

Thank you to our Law Enforcement partners for your input throughout the Crash Database and Crash Forms development project, including participating in training sessions, helping to test the system, and partnering to help collect improved crash data that will benefit our collective efforts to improve safety. With the system operational, please continue to provide us with input if you encounter problems or if you have questions about whether something is not working correctly. We will continue to improve the system, and we will provide periodic FAQ updates.

This newsletter includes information on the following:

- Fatal notification to the Fatality Analysis Reporting System (FARS) team (DOT)
- Survey for crash forms scenario based training across the state
- 2017 Regional TSC Coordinator meetings
- DT4000 Crash Report Transmission Status to Law Enforcement Agencies (LEAs)
- WisTransportal Crash Data Daily update
- Governor's Conference on Highway Safety
- Crash Forms training videos

# Fatal notification to the FARS team (DOT)

Beginning January 1, 2017, we are receiving the new Crash Form - DT4000 and Fatal Supplement - DT3480 from LEAs and Driver Report of Crash - DT4002 from the public in electronic format. Apart from these forms, we are requesting LEAs to continue to submit the **fatal notification form to the FARS team (DOT) on a timely basis to assist with prompt fatality recording**. It is easy to use TraCS to submit this form.

If you need any help:

• Please call us at 608-266-2265 or 608-709-0109 or email us at crash.database@dot.wi.gov

# Survey for crash forms scenario based training across the state

We are planning to conduct short crash forms scenario based training across the state, similar to what we did last year. Please complete the survey so we can schedule the sessions based on your preferences.

- We are proposing two similar 2-hour training sessions at each location. Please attend one of the sessions.
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Please use the survey link below to share your input by June 02, 2017.

https://2.selectsurvey.net/WisDot/TakeSurvey.aspx?PageNumber=1&SurveyID=l2KMlo53&Preview=true#

#### 2017 Regional TSC Coordinator meetings

The Wisconsin Highway Coordinators Association is partnering with the Wisconsin Department of Transportation's (WisDOT's) Bureau of Transportation Safety (BOTS) for its regional meetings. We are conducting a FAQ session on crash forms from 1:15 PM to 2:00 PM in these meetings. Please find more information in the flyer that has been included with this newsletter's email.

### DT4000 Crash Report Transmission Status to LEAs

We have started sharing the DT4000 Crash Report Transmission Status to all LEAs. A sample report, DT4000 Transmission Status\_20170513.xlsx, has been included with this newsletter's email. Weekly summaries are also sent every Monday. If you have any questions, or if you would like to be added to the distribution list, please let us know.

# WisTransportal Daily Update

The University of Wisconsin Traffic Operations and Safety (TOPS) Lab's WisTransportal crash data query application is now updated on a daily basis with 2017 crash data and copies of the DT4000 crash reports. You can download up-to-date crash data information and use for your reporting/analysis. For information about the WisTransPortal or to request a user account, please visit the TOPS Lab WisTransPortal crash data resources page:

http://transportal.cee.wisc.edu/services/crash-data/

For additional questions, contact the TOPS Lab at crash-data@topslab.wisc.edu

#### Governor's Conference on Highway Safety

BOTS is working on this year's Governor's conference. Please block your dates in advance. A Save the Date flyer for this conference has been attached to this newsletter's email to assist with your planning efforts. Additional details about the conference will be coming out soon.

# **Crash Form Training Videos**

Please find the links below to TraCS site and YouTube.com:

TraCS training site link:

http://wisconsindot.gov/Pages/safety/enforcement/agencies/tracs/training.aspx

YouTube training links:

Long videos:

https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLoGzf6P7PsQ9HMS8IgY1P2LaXcrJ3NZGW

Short videos:

- Section 1 History and Overview: <u>https://youtu.be/p807efGGPEU</u>
- Section 2a F2 Help, TLT and Crash Summary: <u>https://youtu.be/UCHe8ZIPiOI</u>
- Section 2b Unit Information: <u>https://youtu.be/WFCVgWmC6Cc</u>
- Section 3a Diagram, Validating and Transmission: <u>https://youtu.be/oyXAKuVGXLw</u>
- Section 3b Amendments and Fatal Supplement Form: <u>https://youtu.be/zXQMlgy86oM</u>
- Section 3c Additional Crash Facts, Citations and Wrap-Up: <u>https://youtu.be/wmXE6-kP0tc</u>

Thank you for your partnership in transportation safety. Improved data will assist all of us with our datadriven approach to drive fatalities toward Zero in Wisconsin.

If you have questions about TraCS10, if your agency needs assistance with new equipment or training to submit crashes electronically, or if you have any other questions or concerns, please contact WisDOT at <u>crash.database@dot.wi.gov</u>.

Sincerely,

Wisconsin Crash Database Project Team