



Upcoming CTFDID

Meeting Dates

September 17, 2021

October 15, 2021

November 19, 2021

December – no meeting

Meeting Notes

Friday August 20, 2021

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Virtual Meeting via Zoom

Mission

The mission of the Colorado Task Force on Drunk and Impaired Driving (CTFDID) is to support the prevention, awareness, enforcement, and treatment of drunk and impaired driving in Colorado through strong partnerships with public, private and non-profit organizations.

The CTFDID brings people together, creating a forum for victims and advocates to access many experts and resources in one place. It provides a formal mechanism to leverage resources in order to create a multi-faceted approach to solving a problem, which is often minimized and understated in our community. The CTFDID acts as a resource for the legislature, enabling it to consider more cohesive, well-thought-out proposals.

- Welcome, Introductions and Mission Statement:
 - Self-Introductions: Name; Agency, Entity or Interest Represented
 - Glenn Davis Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT), CTFDID Vice Chair
 - Attendees introduced themselves and the organization they represent.
 - A Quorum was present with 17 members/representatives
- Minutes of Previous Meeting:
 - Glenn Davis
 - June meeting notes were approved.
- Statistics, State Fatality Numbers:
 - Glenn Davis, CDOT
 - *Statistics are appended to these notes*
 - Discussion:
 - Josh Downing, CSP. Fatality numbers in the state, overall, have declined. However, fatalities on roadways in CSP jurisdiction are up. CSP is getting back to mission focus after being pulled in many directions. Also, CSP is about 100 troopers short at present. Impaired driving crashes and fatalities are down from last year, but number of unrestrained driver fatalities is up.
 - All law enforcement is down in staffing, which is leading to a challenge in enforcement activities.
 - Question about toxicology

- Vanessa Beall, CBI. Prevalence data for 2020 show highest prevalence of alcohol followed by THC, methamphetamines, cocaine. Biggest trend they noted was emergence of a drug class called designer benzodiazepines. These drugs are similar to prescription benzodiazepine but they are illicit.
 - Glenn Davis, CDOT. If it is a fatality, you will get good information about at-fault driver. However, fatality number is small compared to total impaired driver.
 - There appears to be a trend upward in suspected impairment fatalities.
- Legislation:
 - Glenn Davis, CDOT; Fran Lanzer, Executive Director of MADD Colorado
 - MADD.
 - Funding for law enforcement efforts approved in this legislative session is only a one-year fix, so continue looking for sustainable funding source.
 - There are instances in legislation in which impairment specifically refers to alcohol; that may need to be cleaned up to include all substances.
 - MADD is looking at other states' interlock policies to see if there are changes that should be made to interlock law; programming in Colorado is a model for the rest of the country. Colorado has about 33,500 individuals on interlock.
 - CDOT.
 - Most important thing is to find a sustainable funding source.
 - CSP.
 - There is a proposal that would allow bicyclist to treat stop sign as yield and stop light as stop sign.
 - Press conference and major effort for Labor Day impaired driving enforcement.
- Presentation:
 - Mike Milburn, PhD: DRUID Impairment Measurement App – Moved to September
- National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) Update:
 - Joe Livingston: NHTSA Region 8
 - National Infrastructure bill includes a great deal of what NHTSA does.
 - It includes the effort to have all new vehicles include impaired driving prevention technology - <https://www.madd.org/press-release/senate-passes-bipartisan-provision-for-drunk-driving-prevention-tech-in-all-new-cars>
 - Related to cannabis, it includes research and education focus.
 - Also includes community engagement with focus on ensuring decisions on funding are data-driven, specifically looking to see if specific communities are impacted by impaired driving to a greater degree.
 - Enhanced funding for Vision Zero
 - At regional level:
 - Looking at federal collaboration, specifically related to justice system and treatment options.
 - Events:
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 - New Research of interest:
 - Brooks-Russell article - Simulated driving performance among daily and occasional cannabis users.

- Objective: Daily cannabis users develop tolerance to some drug effects, but the extent to which this diminishes driving impairment is uncertain. This study compared the impact of acute cannabis use on driving performance in occasional and daily cannabis users using a driving simulator.
 - Conclusion: We observed a decrement in driving performance assessed by SDLP after acute cannabis smoking that was statistically significant only in the occasional users in comparison to the nonusers. Direct contrasts between the occasional users and daily users in SDLP were not statistically significant. Daily users drove slower after cannabis use as compared to the occasional use group and non-users. The study results do not conclusively establish that occasional users exhibit more driving impairment than daily users when both smoke cannabis ad libitum.
- Hultgren article - Alcohol, marijuana, and nicotine use as predictors of impaired driving and riding with an impaired driver among college students who engage in polysubstance use
 - Objective: While alcohol, marijuana, and nicotine are the most commonly used substances, there is limited research on the between- and within-person associations of their use and driving under the influence (DUI) and riding with an impaired driver (RWID). The current study utilized a burst design to assess how use and co-use of these substances is associated with DUI and RWID.
 - Results: Compared to students who only used alcohol, students who also reported marijuana use were more likely to DUI (OR = 5.44), and students who reported use of alcohol, nicotine and marijuana more likely to DUI (OR = 10.33) and RWID (OR = 10.22). Compared to occasions when only alcohol was used, DUI was more likely on marijuana only occasions (OR = 9.08), and RWID was more likely on alcohol and marijuana occasions (OR = 3.86). However, confidence intervals were wide for effects.
 - Discussion: Students reporting use of all 3 substances had higher overall risk of DUI and RWID indicating prevention efforts for DUI and RWID should include all substances. Implications for prevention and intervention strategies at the individual and environmental level are discussed.
- Media Relations & Significant Upcoming Events:
 - Sam Cole, CDOT
 - Large press event about Labor Day crackdown. It's longest enforcement period of the year – 18 days.
 - 36% of fatalities are due to impaired driver. 50% of those are in Pueblo county.
 - DUI photo booth effort went well. This is where customers at bars and restaurants could get a strip of photos; the last of which shows the person behind bars to remind them of the dangers of driving impaired.
- CTFDID Updates:
 - Open Representative Position on CTFDID:
 - A person under twenty-four years of age who is enrolled in a secondary or postsecondary school
 - Contact Glenn Davis CDOT for details

- Annual Report:
 - Tricia Miller, Colorado State Patrol
 - We are ready to finalize the document. Tricia will make changes that have been requested so far.
- Public Comment/Lightning Round Update:
 - Glenn Davis, CDOT
 - Vito Montone, OnUs rides. OnUs rides rewards consumers of alcohol with ride credits on Uber. Ramping up after COVID. Just attended National Alliance to Stop Impaired Driving (NASID) meeting. Have partnered with Recording Artists Against Drunk Driving (RADD).
 - Bonnie Holladay & Glenn Davis doing some work on looking at 24/7 Monitoring for people convicted of impaired driving. Study on South Dakota 24/7 program –
 - <https://www.rand.org/health-care/projects/24-7/publications.html>
 - <https://atq.sd.gov/docs/AnalysisSD24.pdf>
 - Dave Fisher. Shortages are impacting ability to handle anything except in-progress calls. Are not sure if there will be an impact from requiring COVID vaccinations.
 - Jared Torsney, POST. Having trouble filling classes due to law enforcement staffing shortages.
 - Frank Conrad, Colorado Green Lab. Compiling study results on testing individuals for cognitive processes before and after THC exposure.
 - Richard Adriaens, Wyoming. September 16 is the 20th anniversary of crash on 287 that killed 20 cross country runners from Wyoming.
 - Robert Darrow, LED. Staffing up LED due to recent legislative changes. This will include enforcement personnel. Would like help on recruiting minor operatives to help with compliance checks – they must be under 21.
 - Benjamin Mitchell. 2021 AAMVA conference was changed to a virtual event.
 - Christopher Poirier, MED. Looking at creating educational materials about portion sizes for edible cannabis products.
 - Truman Bradley, MIG. MIG is sponsoring the Governors' Highway Safety Association meeting being hosted in Denver. Will continue working with Fran Lanzer and Glenn Davis on sustainable funding for law enforcement.
 - Kerry Ferguson, SADD. Gearing up to have high school challenge again this year. If anyone would like to be involved in this effort, please contact Kerry.
- Meeting adjourned
- Next Meeting: 9/17/ 2021