



### **CTFDID Meeting Dates**

October 16, 2020  
November 20, 2020  
December – no meeting  
January 15, 2021  
February 19, 2021  
March 19, 2021

## **Meeting Notes**

September 18, 2020

**Virtual Meeting via Zoom**

9:00 am – 11:00 am

***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
  - Bob Ticer, Chief of Police Loveland Police Department & CTFDID Chair
    - Attendees introduced themselves and identified the organization they represent
- Minutes of Previous Meeting:
  - Chief Ticer
    - Minutes were approved
- Statistics, State Fatality Numbers:
  - Kim Ferber, Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT)-Christine Demont. Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE)
    - Christine Demont shared the fatality statistics and they are appended to these notes
      - County fatality statistics include all fatalities; not limited to drivers
      - Judge Casias asked about speed as a factor –law enforcement is reporting higher than normal speeds on roadways.
      - Sheriff Fisher reported they have seen a lot of 100+ mph with a record of 138 mph.
      - Webster Hendricks asked how much is speed related to impairment; this will require analysis on a case-by-case basis.

Christine does not have those data at this time, but will conduct analysis.

- Chief Ticer asked whether data on time of day fatal accidents occur are available. Christine does not have those data at this time, but will conduct analysis (included with the data appended to notes).
  - Dr. Timken discussed importance of discussion based on detailed data analysis, specifically in light of potential permission for bars to be open until 4:00 am.
  - Ginna Jones shared that there are reports showing that binge drinking is up during pandemic. Col. Josh Downing reported he has seen that also.
  - Adam Musielewicz shared a resource on substance use and mental health during COVID:  
[https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6932a1.htm?s\\_cid=mm6932a1\\_w](https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/69/wr/mm6932a1.htm?s_cid=mm6932a1_w)
  - Chief Ticer noted that there is a 12% drop in vehicle miles driven but fatalities not really dropping. Further, these data show that 41% of occupant vehicle fatalities are suspected impairment.
- Legislation:
    - Fran Lanzer, Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD) /Mike Honn, Colorado State Patrol (CSP)
      - Adding to previous discussion, MADD has worked to kill legislation on increasing length that bars are open. There is a preponderance of evidence that if we move away from statewide closing time, there will be an increase in impaired driving, regardless of if a specific jurisdiction closes earlier because the next jurisdiction over may be open later. Some establishment owners are also opposed to this because of extra resources required to keep the bars open. This also places a greater strain on first responder resources.
      - Still working on the LEAF funding bill. We need to make sure the LEAF funding remains available.
      - There will probably be clean-ups and changes to SB 217 – Enhance Law Enforcement Integrity (<https://leg.colorado.gov/bills/sb20-217>).
      - State budget is primary focus.
- Colorado Law Enforcement Recognition Update
    - Robin Rocke, Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) -Fran Lanzer (MADD)
      - This is a virtual event on September 30. There are 36 award winners. RSVPs will not be necessary and all are encouraged to tune in to show our appreciation to these law enforcement professionals in this challenging time.

- Impaired Driving Assessment Tool
  - Allison Rosenthal, Colorado Department of Public Safety
    - Several CTFDID members are working on this.
    - Moving to data collection phase, setting up focus groups for treatment providers, drafting emails for key stakeholders, drafting survey to law enforcement, and consulting with subject matter experts.
    - They have also been adding equity questions to gain various perspectives.
    - Hoping to be able to report some findings at December/January CTFDID meeting.
  
- NGA Learning Collaborative on State Strategies to Strengthen and Leverage Data to Address Impaired Driving
  - Allison Rosenthal-Jack Reed, Colorado Department of Public Safety (CDPS)
    - Presentation is appended to these notes.
    - Christine added that the state of Colorado was supposed to host this meeting and Gov Polis still provided a welcome via Zoom when it was changed to a virtual event. It was good to have his support.
  
- Media Relations & Significant Upcoming Events:
  - Kim Ferber, CDOT
    - In middle of Fall Festival enforcement period. Lasts for 6 weeks; 84 agencies participating. There was some drop in some participation during height of pandemic, but seeing all agencies able to participate again.
    - Able to participate in LEAF. 35 agencies applied for LEAF funding; allocated \$350K to agencies to participate and utilize tools provided by funding.
    - Should be able to fund some LEAF activities again next year.
  - Laura Sonderup
    - Current display at Standley Marketplace: Coincides with CDOT's "Take some time" campaign focused on time for alcohol to leave system. It includes an oversized beer and wine glass to show that 2 hours is how long alcohol impairs you. Only safe time to drive is with 0.00 bac. Fabrication shows each glass draining over 2 hour period.
    - "Uncomfortable High" is current marijuana campaign. Intended to draw attention to the fact that regardless of multi-messaging people still continue to drive high. Point is to urge Coloradans to shift perspective to think about whether you would drive high with kids in the car? Then why be less concerned about yourself or others. Link is: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?list=PLYszme4xVADakZ0tQYFK1b3s0Q6qtsqeO&time\\_continue=3&v=1QAAqDTKtGc&feature=emb\\_logo](https://www.youtube.com/watch?list=PLYszme4xVADakZ0tQYFK1b3s0Q6qtsqeO&time_continue=3&v=1QAAqDTKtGc&feature=emb_logo)
    - Now have the first Spanish Drugged Driving video.
      - Objective > Remind the audience that consuming any amount of marijuana before driving puts you at risk for a DUI.

- Idea > *Familismo*, is a central Latinx cultural value. It is central to our audience and extends beyond the nuclear family to include grandparents, aunts, uncles and cousins. It also involves seeking advice from trusted family members for important decisions.
    - Approach > Feature a strong, articulate Latino character (*el primo* – the cousin) who talks about the importance of responsible cannabis consumption in a candid, informed and approachable manner.
    - Link: <https://youtu.be/tTaUsyE17jQ>
  - African-American community perspective. Leaders invited to cannabis conversation. CDOT conducted statewide consumer survey to identify cultural perspectives and beliefs. Overwhelmingly suggested that community would likely be most receptive to perspective of respected leader along with proud vibrant imagery. The mural is now at BGood dispensary at 11 W Hampden avenue. Link is: <https://www.codot.gov/safety/alcohol-and-impaired-driving/druggeddriving/2020-campaign-news-1/be-mindful-how-you-move-dont-drive-high>
  - CDOT launched the Teen Graduated Drivers License (GDL) campaign (<https://www.codot.gov/safety/traffic-safety-pulse/september-2020/cdot-targets-teen-drivers-with-keep-your-license-safe-campaign>)
- Public Comment/Lightning Round Update
    - Webster Hendricks: Level II 4 plus program. Had some lapses in having all providers on board and consistent on program. Doing training with licensed providers of program across treatment and probation. Will be rolling out this training on Sep 30. Will also work on direct tier training including brain injury and the impaired driver. Looking for good results in quality of care rather than seeing driving offense as legal or punitive issue only. US DOT wants to look at our interlock enhance counseling program, which has been in place since 2013. We are one of two programs who use clinical intervention with people on device to extend the benefits of that device. Colorado engages person while on interlock; Florida's program engages person after they have failed interlock. Felony DUI law has been in place since 7/1/15. Webster's work involves looking at the underlying causes of impaired driving.
    - Allison Rosenthal is putting finishing touches on report and will share when complete within next few months.
    - Judge Casias. Getting in-person court proceedings back on track. Will continue to use video process for a lot of cases where in-person appearance is not necessary. COVID made interactions interesting; everyone was wearing masks. Now catching up with backlog that comes with not having court for two months.
    - Jack Reed. Finishing third impacts of marijuana legalization report, which has significant section on traffic safety.
    - Paul Aylmer. Restaurant industry is hurting. Alcohol sales are down 50% in restaurant industry due to capacity issues. Many restaurants are going out of

- business, more will likely go out of business when winter weather hits and people can't sit outdoors.
- Fran Lanzer. Virtual Walk like MADD was held; thank you to all who participated and donated. August 29 was saturation Saturday – promoting high visibility enforcement efforts. 30 agencies participated showing MADD red ribbon while doing DUI enforcement. Thank you to law enforcement agencies for their efforts.
  - Kirsten Gregg. Making sure marijuana industry is implementing appropriate social distancing. Released mid-year update on legal marijuana industry. Links:
    - <https://www.colorado.gov/pacific/enforcement/med-2020-rulemaking-information>
    - <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1lpOMWOxeHmeJM5ic2Y4klbHxsuA1QuJx/view>
    - <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1mywKpbeZYpI1VGIOST3G9IPfgEWvYoBi/view>
  - Josh Downing. Interesting dynamic with less traffic but still high speed and high fatalities. CSP is being pulled in multiple directions. Impact of COVID is different in different areas of state and the Denver metro area. CSP battle cry is “through every crisis is opportunity” and CSP has made some amazing strides forward.
  - Rebecca Green (MADD). Tuesday Black will be releasing report on court monitoring for year 2. In third year, will be expanding in Adams, Broomfield, Weld Larimer. Looking for Law enforcement contacts notify [Tuesday.black@MADD.org](mailto:Tuesday.black@MADD.org). Has sent out stakeholder survey. Link is: [https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A\\_docs.google.com\\_forms\\_d\\_1aaGPeO-2DZU8BWE-2DEheQlwZVKe1A7DFBkjP4uG0jY-5FjPw\\_edit-3Fusp-3Dsharing-5Feil-26ts-3D5f64f03a&d=DwMFaQ&c=sdnEM9SRGFuMt5z5w3AhsPNahmNicq64TqF1JwNR0cs&r=x\\_0MliinHVq5zY8U\\_iCio8bxB2ia\\_xTtLvuvb83avac&m=AeFRPujFgyT2ZDAyH3N4OSDJUQIKAvjtX0DNdbY\\_KoU&s=ijm5mgIkq\\_ZScSWrm9U9jVuDXEESb0QU6AZiU-mzQ8E&e=](https://urldefense.proofpoint.com/v2/url?u=https-3A_docs.google.com_forms_d_1aaGPeO-2DZU8BWE-2DEheQlwZVKe1A7DFBkjP4uG0jY-5FjPw_edit-3Fusp-3Dsharing-5Feil-26ts-3D5f64f03a&d=DwMFaQ&c=sdnEM9SRGFuMt5z5w3AhsPNahmNicq64TqF1JwNR0cs&r=x_0MliinHVq5zY8U_iCio8bxB2ia_xTtLvuvb83avac&m=AeFRPujFgyT2ZDAyH3N4OSDJUQIKAvjtX0DNdbY_KoU&s=ijm5mgIkq_ZScSWrm9U9jVuDXEESb0QU6AZiU-mzQ8E&e=).
  - Robert Darrow. Emergency rule allowing restaurants to extend outdoors has been extended for 120 days and may be made permanent to last through October 2021. Will have more information at next CTFDID meeting.
  - Crystal Soderman. Thank you for help getting word out that DMV is still open. 998 express consent documents came into DMV last month, 191 of these were refusals. Starting to see uptick in number of express consent documents coming in.
  - Ed Wood. “Cannabis in Medicine; An Evidence-Based Approach” is a book just published. Ed and a colleague authored a chapter in the book.
  - Kevin St. Croix. “Worried About Someone’s Drinking” is a current campaign by AIAnon; will be at bus-shelters around the Denver metro area – in English and Spanish.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 am

# Motor Vehicle Fatalities to date, Colorado, August 31, 2020

Data prepared for Colorado Task Force on Drunk and Impaired Driving

Data is Preliminary and Subject to Change

Fatal Crashes and Fatalities	As of 8/31/2020	# Suspected Impaired	% Suspected Impaired	Fatalities as of 8/31/2019
Fatal Crashes	365	115	32%	
Total Fatalities	396	130	33%	401
Speeding related Fatalities	62	21	34%	
Total Occupant Vehicle Fatalities	222	90	41%	Percent Change
Unrestrained Occupant Fatalities	115	57	50%	-1.2%
				Decrease

Note: 52% of total occupant vehicle fatalities were unrestrained.

Fatalities by Vehicle Type	Number of Fatalities	Impaired Driver	% Suspected Impaired	
Occupant Vehicles	222	92	41%	248
Motorcycles	96	24	25%	78
Pedestrians	55	13	24%	44
Bicyclists	10	1	0%	14
All Other Vehicles	13	0	0%	17
<b>Total</b>	<b>396</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>33%</b>	

Age of Drivers at fault in Fatal Crash	Number of Drivers	# Suspected Impaired	% Suspected Impaired
15-17	11	4	36%
18-20	32	12	38%
21-24	42	17	40%
25-34	81	33	41%
35-44	54	19	35%
45-54	45	13	29%

<b>55-64</b>	36	5	14%
<b>65+</b>	44	8	18%
<b>Hit &amp; Run driver - Age unknown</b>	14	3	21%
<b>Total</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>32%</b>

\*Sum may not equal number of crashes because Pedestrians and Bicyclists at fault in crash excluded from count or more than one driver may be at fault in crash

<b>Time of Fatal Crash</b>	<b>Number of Crashes</b>	<b># Suspected Impaired</b>	<b>% Suspected Impaired</b>
<b>Day time (7:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.)</b>	211	49	23%
<b>Night time (7:00 p.m. - 6:00 a.m.)</b>	154	66	43%
<b>Total</b>	<b>365</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>32%</b>

<b>Counties with Highest Number of Fatalities to Date</b>	<b>Number of Fatalities</b>	<b># Suspected Impaired</b>	<b>% Suspected Impaired</b>
1. El Paso	57	21	37%
2. Arapahoe	36	17	47%
3. Adams	32	10	31%
4. Weld	30	14	47%
5. Jefferson	27	5	19%
6. Denver	26	8	31%
7. Larimer	26	11	42%
8. Pueblo	15	5	33%
9. Douglas	13	5	38%
10. Mesa	10	2	20%

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Data Source: State Fatal Tracker, Colorado Department of Transportation, Fatalities reported as of 8/31/2020

Data analyzed by Christine Demont, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment

# *Colorado's Participation in NGA Learning Collaborative on State Strategies to Strengthen and Leverage Data to Address Impaired Driving*

*Update to the Colorado Task Force on Drug and Impaired Driving  
9/18/20*

*Allison Rosenthal & Jack K. Reed, Colorado Department of Public Safety*



# *National Governors Association Project Background*

Colorado successfully applied for the NGA Learning Lab grant.

10 States chosen to participate

Purpose is to develop, execute, and complete a strategic action plan to improve data use and sharing across the state's public safety, transportation, and public health agencies to reduce traffic injuries and fatalities.

# *Participants in the Process*

- Adam Zarrin (Governor's Office)
- Alisa Babler (CDOT)
- Allison Rosenthal (CDPS)
- Ben Mitchell (DOR)
- Christine Demont (CDPHE)
- Cindy Stewart (CDPS)
- Crystal Soderman (DOR)
- Dan Anderson (CDPS)
- Glenn Davis (CDOT)
- Jack Reed (CDPS)
- Jeff Groff (CDPHE)
- Jonathan Gottsegen (OIT)
- Jennifer Knudsen (CDAC)

# Project Timeline



# Summarized Proposed Goals

## Goals

- Evaluate post arrest toxicology testing procedures (3 options) (blood most accurate) Legislative
- Develop and promote a central location for public and to access crash data and FARS information without government involvement. Public access
- Faster and more uniform reporting testing of toxicology results. Integration
- Improved data integration among various data bases. Integration
- Prioritize impaired driving as health issue, link data bases for costs of impairment. Policy
- CDOT evaluate HSO involvement in NHTSA funding for data (405c): Agency Policy

## Goals

- Crash database with no connection to final toxicology: Integration
- Fatal data, CDOT staff manually request toxicology data from coroner: Policy
- Make information from crash records available as appropriate for analysis: Access, Policy
- Law enforcement (LE) training for crash investigation, academy training basic. Policy and Integration

# *Highlights of the Process*

Colorado is viewed as an expert in terms of enhancing enforcement of marijuana impaired driving and Jack Reed represented Colorado as a panelist for the kickoff session

Heard from toxicology experts across the country and their experience with quality improvement projects.

Hearing from other states about their goals.

Teamed with Virginia for first breakout session