



Governor's Traffic Safety Advisory Commission
Senior Mobility Work Group
Horatio Earle Center, Dimondale, MI
March 10, 2016
1:30 p.m.

Attendance	
Name	Agency
Donna Bucciarelli	Beaumont Health – via phone
Sheriff Kim Cole	Mason County Sheriff Department
Roberta Habowski	AAA1B – via phone
Eric Kabdebo	MDOS
Linda Fech	OHSP
Dawn Kapler	Elder Law of Michigan
Cynthia LaBelle	AARP Driver Safety
Stu Lindsay	MDOT
Lisa Lubahn	MDOT
Patrick Bowman	UMTRI
Tari Muniz	DHHS, OSA
Jim Flegel	MSP

Agenda Item: Approval of November Meeting Notes
Discussion: Changes from Eric have been made. Minutes were approved by the group.
Action: Linda will forward for posting on the website.

Agenda Item: Promotion of Michigan's Guide for Aging Drivers and Their Families
Discussion: MDOS has been tracking the Aging Driver Guide (distribution/entities requesting) and the breakdowns are listed in the handout provided by Eric. Libraries have been the single largest "requestor" of boxes of the guide date. We need to figure out whom else to disseminate the guide. The group would like to look at hospitals, doctor, and geriatric offices. Letters had previously been sent to many associations promoting the guide. The team brainstormed additional promotional ideas and perhaps sending out more notices with additional information included on the website. The team questioned with the SDSA website up, will requests for the guide go down?
Action: Tari will follow-up and check to see if there is a listing of senior centers for each county, so the guides can be sent to the senior centers. Linda will pull a list of CarFit events and send a reminder to coordinators about ordering the guide for their events. Eric is going to work on a generic letter that can be sent out.

Agenda Item: Kettering University – Data Mining/Tour Crash Lab
Discussion Kim L. attended an occupant protection action team at Kettering University last month and felt it was a very good meeting and tour, possibly something the SMWG would be interested in. The most interesting presentation for this group was one given by Dr. Theresa Atkinson on Data Mining. This involved research into crashes involving passengers in the second row of the vehicle. The research seems to say older adults are safer when riding in the front seat. Dr. Atkinson goes through a very good explanation of the research findings. Kim has suggested having a meeting at Kettering and listening to a presentation by Dr. Teresa Atkinson and tour the lab. The workgroup seemed interested in having a meeting there.
Action: Linda will call Kettering about having a meeting there.

Agenda Item: 2015 Action Plan Accomplishments
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Discussion: Linda had emailed the team about this. Since we just did accomplishments in November there really aren't too many updates. We do need to add something about the SDSA website. Linda, Lisa, and Patrick met on March 8 to develop goals for the new action plan. Last year, we discovered, after reviewing the data, the current Action Plan goals cannot be met and we wanted to develop goals that are more achievable. New proposed goals are as follows: 1) Reduce the ratio of senior driver fatalities to number of senior licensed drivers from _____ in 2015 to _____ in 2018. 2) Reduce the ratio of senior driver A injuries to number of senior licensed drivers from _____ in 2015 to _____ by 2018. The data suggests using a ratio for fatalities and A injuries should be achievable instead of using crashes and KA injuries, which are the current goals. The mobility managers state-wide group was suggested as an activity for the next plan? Patrick will have the 2015 crash data by the next meeting.

Action:

Linda will complete the Accomplishments list.
Activities for the new plan are due June 10, 2016. Action Team members will forward activity ideas to Linda.
Goals for the new plan need to be finalized.

Agenda Item: Round Table Discussion

Discussion:

Agency updates:

U of M – Patrick: Traffic Crash Facts new query tool will have new features. Patrick will be able to present new website and query tool at the next meeting. Will also have a booth at the summit.

MSP – Continue to work on how to get information about elderly drivers to law enforcement officers, what to look for and proper actions and contacts. Possibility of doing a certificate of recognition for Troop MacIntosh (?), or putting something in the Traffic Safety Newsletter.

Mason County Sheriff's Office – Chief of Pentwater (Laude Hartrum) could present at the 2017 Safety Summit on sobriety tests for older drivers. Possibly do a presentation to the workgroup.

AARP – Had 163 driver safety classes with 2,095 participants in 2015. Average was 12.8 participants per class. Have the goal of at least one driver safety class in each county. Online training is gaining momentum too.

OSA – Older Michiganians Day is May 11th at the state capital.

MDOS - Presentation was given to transportation engineers on SMWG (CarFit, SDSA website, & Aging Driver Guide). Secretary of State is going to expo at Detroit Senior Center (March 15th) and driver guides & bookmarks will be handed out. Eric will be giving a presentation in April on options and information available for seniors.

OHSP– Working towards getting CarFit up and running in the Upper Peninsula, planning to hold a coordinator and tech training and event in Escanaba. Linda is working with the Escanaba Public Safety Director.

AAA1B- Roberta toured Detroit Metro Airport. A new stop is planned, which will be closer to the terminal for people with disabilities or people who need more time. Members from REMA are planning to go to the Oakland County Commissioners meeting in support of RTA. New Coalition for Transit has formed to advocate and educate on regional transit.

Action: Linda is going to draft a letter to Tpr. McIntosh recognizing his efforts for the safety of older drivers. Sheriff Cole will ask Chief Hartrum about presenting to the workgroup.

Future Meetings – 1:30 PM

May 12, 2016

July 14, 2016

September 8, 2016

November 10, 2016