

MACPS CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY 2020 HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE BARBARA BAINES

35 YEARS IN CHILD PASSENGER SAFETY

Barbara has dedicated her life to child passenger safety. Beginning with her work at Transport Canada as the lead defect investigator she pioneered child passenger safety in Canada as the original and lead author of the technician program. Authoring several updates of the program while taking new Instructors under her wing and helping to educate them on the testing processes and challenges of bringing a car seat to the Canadian market.



Barbara has paid her own way to travel to numerous locations across Canada and train technicians for no more than the cost of her food. She has worked as an Advocate, Technician, Instructor, Instructor-Trainer and Consultant since her retirement from Transport Canada.

Barbara has been instrumental in bringing cohesion and organization to the field, and a wealth of knowledge to the development of curriculum in Canada. She has had the amazing opportunity to work in the field from the governmental side, and with child restraint manufacturers. She has seen the field progress in leaps and bounds and has been a major part of that growth. She continues to shape child passenger safety as a Child Passenger Safety Technician Instructor Trainer and share her wealth of knowledge and experience with upcoming Instructors and CPSTs.

She is also the founder of the Child Passenger Safety Association of Canada having paid out of her own pocket to start the organization and cover manual printing and insurance costs when the organization was brand new and attempting to gain ground. She has trained thousands of Technicians, Instructors and Instructor

Trainers and has taken each under her wing as her own children. Her dedication and drive to ensure children travel safely despite numerous roadblocks and lack of Government support in Canada make Barbara is an obvious Hall of Fame choice.

Below are some of the notable accomplishments Barbara has made in the child passenger safety arena.

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- Original and Lead author of the Canadian Technician Program
- Defect Investigator for Transport Canada

