

Resource Guide for CPSTs

Here are some of the many websites that Child Passenger Safety Technicians find helpful (as of April 2025).
The bottom of the reverse side has space for listing your local resources.

CPS CERTIFICATION SITES

Safe Kids Worldwide: <http://cert.safekids.org>

A global non-profit dedicated to the prevention of unintentional childhood injury, and the certifying body for the national CPS program. Look here for certification program information, recertification management, and CPST/course locators.

National CPS Board: www.cpsboard.org

The advisory board for the CPS certification program. Look here for information about trainings, certification, recertification, community outreach, and many other resources. Look on the right-rail for a link to the Curriculum Feedback Form.

KEY TOOLS FOR CPSTs

National Digital Car Seat Check Form (NDCF):

www.carseatcheckform.org (Also, go to www.cpsboard.org/NDCF to find resources to help use the NDCF.)

CPS Learning Portal: www.carseateducation.org

CEU and community education webinars and e-learning.

Safety Connection: www.safety-connection.org

A website with portals geared to specific users, including CPSTs.

CPS Board Videos: www.youtube.com/CPSBoard

Educational videos on many topics, including the videos shown during in-person and hybrid certification courses, the CPS in School Buses National Training, and more.

SITES DEDICATED TO CPS

National Center for Safe Transportation of Children with Special Healthcare Needs (at the Automotive Safety Program): www.preventinjury.org; 800-KID-N-CAR; 800-543-6227

This program, part of Indiana University School of Medicine, has information about safely transporting children with disabilities, the use adaptive child restraints, and the Safe Travel for All Children (STAC) curriculum.

Safe Ride News Publications:

www.saferideneews.com; 800-403-1424

Publisher of CPS-related materials, such as *Safe Ride News* newsletter, the *LATCH Manual*, *The School Bus Safety Handbook*, fact sheets on CPS topics, and other training materials. Look here for ordering information as well as many free resources.

SafetyBeltSafe U.S.A.: www.carseat.org; 800-745-SAFE

A national, non-profit CPS organization that offers the Technical Encyclopedia of CPS information, the Pictorial Guide for identifying car seats, child restraint of manufacturers' instructions with summary pages, information on recalls, and state/federal laws and regulations. Membership that provides access to pages specifically for CPSTs is available.

Univ. of Michigan Transportation Research Institute:

www.cpsbestpractice.org

UMTRI's *Crash Protection for Child Passengers: Rationale for Best Practice* site describes the basic principles behind the design of CRs and applies them to the needs of children. Free CPS drawings, photos, and crash test video clips are available.

Add Your Favorites:

SAFETY SITES THAT INCLUDE CPS

American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) www.aap.org (for professionals); www.healthychildren.org (for families)

An organization of pediatricians committed to child health and safety. The first listed site has AAP Policy Statements and Clinical Reports on CPS topics; the second site has a CR shopping guide, educational resources, and information about CPS for teens, childcare providers, and children with disabilities.

Children's Hospital of Philadelphia (CHOP), Center for Injury Research and Prevention:

<http://injury.research.chop.edu>

A pediatric injury research center that offers evidence-based information, resources, and tools for teen driver safety, child passenger safety, and pediatric biomechanics.

Insurance Institute for Highway Safety (IIHS): www.iihs.org

A nonprofit, scientific, educational research and communications organization funded by auto insurers. Look here for ratings of vehicles (including vehicle LATCH systems), booster ratings, educational CPS materials, and state/federal laws and regulations.

NATIONAL SCHOOL BUS RESOURCES

National Association of State Directors of Pupil Transportation Services: <http://www.nasdpts.org>

Position papers and state director contact information.

School Transportation News: www.stnonline.com

Free magazine of school bus industry, regulatory, and safety news. STN also hosts annual school transportation conferences.

Safe Ride News Publications: www.saferideneews.com

Look under School Bus tab for resources. SRN's School Bus Safety Handbook covers the use of CSRS on school buses.

WHEELCHAIR TRANSPORT

Univ. of Michigan Transportation Research Institute:

www.travelsafer.org

Rehabilitation Engineering Research Center on Wheelchair Transportation Safety (RERC WTS):

www.wc-transportation-safety.umtri.umich.edu

SAFETY IN AND AROUND PARKED CARS

These sites promote awareness and prevention of non-crash, non-highway injuries to children in cars:

Kids and Car Safety: www.kidsandcars.org

Safe Kids Worldwide: www.safekids.org/nlyca

NHTSA: www.nhtsa.gov/road-safety/child-safety

FEDERAL GOVERNMENT WEBSITES

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration: www.nhtsa.gov
The U.S. federal regulatory and traffic injury prevention agency. Search “children” to find current CPS info, research, a fitting station locator, ease-of-use ratings, etc. The site also includes links to register a CR, file a vehicle or CR complaint, research defect investigations, and register for recall notification.

Federal Regulations:
www.federalregister.gov; the journal of US rulemaking
www.regulations.gov; view/comment on rule proposals.

Federal Aviation Administration: Flying with children
http://www.faa.gov/travelers/fly_children

National Transportation Safety Board: www.nts.gov
An independent federal U.S. agency that investigates significant crashes and researches means of prevention.

Transport Canada: www.tc.gc.ca/roadsafety/safedrivers
Canada's federal transportation safety agency.

Add Your Favorites:

NATIONAL CONFERENCES WITH CPS FOCUS

Lifesavers: www.lifesaversconference.org
Kidz In Motion: www.kidzinmotion.org
TSD (school bus): www.tsdconference.org

CPST/INSPECTION SITE LOCATORS

Sites: www.seatcheck.org (select Installation Help/Inspection)
Sites/CPSTs: <http://cert.safekids.org> (select Find a Tech)

LISTSERVS/FACEBOOK PAGES

These conversation groups allow CPSTs to ask questions, share answers, relate CPS experiences, and survey others:

CPSP List: General CPST discussion.
Go to CPSList+subscribe@groups.io

CPS-in-HealthCare: Connects nurses on CPS issues.
Go to <https://groups.google.com/g/cpsinhc>

Safe Transport of Children with Disabilities:
Email ajmcgove@iu.edu. Put “Safe transport of children with disabilities” in the subject line.

Add Your Favorites:

LOCAL CPS RESOURCES

STATE CPS PROJECT MANAGER

Name: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

CPS CERTIFICATION CLASS LEAD INSTRUCTOR

Name: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

LOCAL SAFE KIDS COORDINATOR/CPS LEAD

Name: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

OTHER LOCAL CPS COORDINATOR/INSTRUCTOR

Name: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

STATE HIGHWAY SAFETY PROGRAM

Name: _____
Email: _____
Phone: _____

OTHER IMPORTANT CONTACTS
