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Parents and caregivers across the country work with CPS Technicians to learn how to travel safely with their children. As a new CPST, I appreciate how hard you worked to become a tech and respect the commitment and dedication you demonstrate each and every day.

Safe Kids is honored to be a partner alongside NHTSA, the National Child Passenger Safety (CPS) Board and all technicians who support the national CPS Certification program. Since we assumed responsibility as the certifying body in 2004, the number of certified child passenger safety technicians has increased from 25,000 to more than 36,000. We remain committed to serving you, children and families across the country.

In order to maintain the excellence of this important program, we want to call to your attention two changes planned for next year.

- **New Curriculum:** In 2014, we will launch a newly revised curriculum. The student manual is completely updated, geared to adult learners and organized so you can easily find what you need. The new full-color manual will be released in concert with a number of online resources, including videos and other tip sheets.
- **Course Fees:** On January 1, 2014, certification course fees will increase from \$75 to \$85. This modest adjustment, the first since 2009, will cover the cost increases for customer service, printing, shipping and fuel surcharges, and making improvements to the online system.
- **Recertification Fees:** Recertification fees will remain at the current level. We recognize and appreciate that many of you provide safety seat inspections on your own time, and we made it a priority to keep those fees unchanged.

Your efforts, and the work of all those who are dedicated to helping children ride safely, are deeply appreciated. We are committed to providing you with the best service possible while keeping the cost of certification as affordable as possible. As we continue to improve the program, we hope you will provide your feedback and constructive ideas to Kerry Chausmer at [kchausmer@safekids.org](mailto:kchausmer@safekids.org).

Best wishes,



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