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Spanish Materials Now Available for Certification Courses

Safe Kids Worldwide is delighted to offer a new option for bilingual technician candidates taking Certification and Renewal Testing Courses. Beginning November 10, course administrators will be able to order Spanish Technician Guides and quizzes to assist candidates who might prefer written materials in a native language. The courses are still taught in English. Students may choose one Technician Guide, either English or Spanish as part of their certification fee. Safe Kids will monitor the value of this one year pilot project to determine if this opportunity increases the number of bi-lingual technicians successfully recruited and trained.

In addition to the pilot here in the U.S., we are testing Arabic bilingual courses in Doha, Qatar.

As part of a one year pilot program, Safe Kids is pleased to provide Spanish language Technician Guides and quizzes for courses delivered in English to bilingual technician candidates. We believe that providing these resources will encourage much needed bilingual candidates to consider and earn technician status.

You may ask, "Who can be the Lead for a Spanish materials course?" Any Lead Instructor can be approved, provided they log into their CPS Online Profile, click on "Agreement to be the Lead Instructor for Spanish bilingual courses" and agree to the following:

- All modules will be taught in English. This applies to both Certification and Renewal Testing Courses.
- As an approved bilingual course lead instructor, you will be provided with Spanish language quizzes and associated materials on CD or electronically. Quizzes are identical in content and value. Quizzes may be provided in either English (on your course DVD) or Spanish.
- It is recommended that a currently certified bilingual Instructor or Technician be available each day of class to assist with clarification of technical terms.
- For all courses registered as bilingual (ENGLISH-SPANISH), Safe Kids will supply Spanish Technician Guides. Registered students may receive only one manual. If English manuals are needed, make the request by email to <u>kchausmer@safekids.org</u> no less than 3 weeks before the course starts.
- Unused Technician Guides are to be kept for a future course. They are not for distribution to the instructor team or other interested parties.
- As part of the pilot program, you agree to submit a short online evaluation within 3 days of finalizing each bilingual course. The link to the survey will be provided with the Spanish language quizzes.

Safe Kids believes that by providing these Spanish language materials, we will see more bilingual technicians in communities across the country. We appreciate all you do to serve the families in your communities.

This action item appears in profiles of Certified Instructors who are approved Lead Instructors.

Agreement To Be The Lead Spanish Instructor

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Please carefully read each item and acknowledge by checking at the bottom of this document that you will fully comply with each item in addition to all established Policies and Procedures.

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If you have any questions about this program, please contact the Safe Kids Certification Program at 202-662-0639 or kchausmer@safekids.org.

* \square I agree and confirm understanding and agreement with the above items.