

Listening Session for the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners

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FMCSA Mission

FMCSA's primary mission is to reduce crashes, injuries, and fatalities involving trucks and buses



FMCSA Goal

FMCSA is committed to reducing the large bus and truck-related fatality rate from 2.8 per 100 million miles in 1996 to 1.65 by 2008.

- **Injuries (2004)**
 - 116,000 - Trucks
 - 13,000 - Buses
- **Fatalities (2004)**
 - 5,190 - Trucks
 - 36 - Buses



Societal Impact

- **Average Cost per Crash**
 - **\$65,183**
- **Average Total Cost per Year**
 - **\$29 billion**



Source: Commercial Motor Vehicle Facts (April 2005)



Driver Physical Demands → Standards

- Sensory Perception → **Vision, Hearing Standards**
- Bend, stoop, maintain crouching position to inspect brakes and tires, enter/exit cab (high steps), climb ladders → **Musculoskeletal Requirements**
- No fainting, loss of consciousness or other altered mental status, including hypoglycemia → **Cardiovascular, Diabetes, Epilepsy, Pulmonary Standards**



Agenda Overview

- **Review of Medical Standards & Medical Review Board**
 - Linda Phillips
 - Overview of the Medical Review Board and medical standards review and development process
- **Update on the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners**
 - Glenna Tinney
 - Background, current status of the National Registry
- **Public Comment**
 - Mary D. Gunnels, Moderator

We value your perspective!

**Your participation is vital to the
success of our initiatives**

