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Goals:

1. Complete an assessment of MN’s capacity for prevention of distracted and impaired driving.
   - **Mid-term update**: We are focusing solely on texting/technology use and passenger distractions. In the process of doing this we realized that although we are aware of what’s being done at the state level, we do not know what is being done out in the communities of the state. We are in the process of getting a survey out to all TZD partners in the state to help us understand what communities are using to help in the prevention of distracted driving.
   - **Final Update**: What we discovered is that there is a lot going on out in the communities of Minnesota regarding this issue. Many are involved in their local high schools, with student committees, spreading the message.

2. Improve communication and collaboration between the agencies of the members of our CoP team.
Mid-term update: This has been accomplished and is expected to continue.

Final Update: New connections were formed and dialogue established for future collaborations.

3. Develop a state action plan for the prevention of distracted and impaired driving.
   - Mid-term update: Because we are focusing on texting/technology and passenger limits we have changed this goal to: Develop a plan (strategic model) for the continued work on the prevention of texting/technology use and passenger distractions among drivers aged 16-19 years old. We have begun the framework for the strategic plan and are awaiting some results from our survey to expand on the plan.
   - Final Update: Unfortunately, the work on this goal stalled in the last few months due to time constraints and conflicts with other activities for a number of individuals within the group.

Greatest Accomplishment of the DID CoP Team: Awareness of how involved communities throughout Minnesota are involved with this issue.

Member involvement with legislation that went into effect requiring all driver’s education instructors to offer a class for parents.

Next Steps: The entire team will not continue to meet regularly but all are open to working in partnership to seek out efforts for identifying/strengthening opportunities for program or policy change.

There is a Traffic Safety Culture Task Force being established by a member of our group from the Department of Transportation. An invitation to be a part of this group has been extended to all members of the CoP.

Tools Selected:
   - Landscape Assessment

Issues Covered and Strategies Implemented:

Distraction by Passengers
   - Mandates, Policies, or Legislation

Drowsy Driving
   - Data Collection

Drunk Driving
   - Data Collection
   - Mandates, Policies, or Legislation
Impaired driving from illicit drugs
- Data Collection
- Mandates, Policies, or Legislation

Impaired driving from marijuana
- Data Collection
- Mandates, Policies, or Legislation

Impaired driving from prescription/over-the-counter drugs
- Data Collection
- Mandates, Policies, or Legislation

Motor vehicle crashes and technology/cell phone use
- Data Collection
- Mandates, Policies, or Legislation