

Safe Riders Child Passenger Safety Program Overview

The Safe Riders training and education program offers resources and support for parents and caregivers, child passenger safety technicians (CPS technicians) and safety advocates in Texas.



Car Seat Distribution:

Safe Riders refers eligible families to receive child passenger safety education and a free car seat. To receive a car seat, the following requirements must be met:

- Families must state they have low income or in need of resources.
- A parent or primary caregiver must attend and receive Safe Riders-sponsored child passenger safety education.

National Child Passenger Safety Technician Certification Courses:

Safe Riders coordinates and teaches the National Child Passenger Safety (CPS) certification courses each year. Successful completion leads to a national two-year certification as a CPS technician.

Child Passenger Safety Presentations and Trainings:

Safe Riders provides child passenger safety presentations upon request for schools, parent groups, hospitals, child passenger safety technicians and other community stakeholders. The program also offers continuing education units (CEUs) for certified technicians that need recertification.

Car Seat Inspections/Checkups Events:

Safe Riders refers families to checkup events in their local area when available. Inspections and checkup events allow parents and caregivers to have their child's car seat checked for proper fit and use in the vehicle by a CPS technician. At an inspection, CPS technicians will determine proper fit based on the child's height, weight, and development.

Depending on a CPS technician's location, Safe Riders can Make a referral to a local child passenger safety partner.

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