



6. Do you receive minutes of meetings?  yes  no  
How often?  
Monthly MAHSL minutes

7. Are you involved in setting program goals, objectives, priorities and strategies? If so, how?

I'm involved in setting the goals and strategies of the occupant protection subaward. I have regular meetings with MS State Dept. of Health, who receives the occupant protection grant.

8. Do you help promote traffic safety/occupant protection issues in your line of work and/or to the community at large? If so, how?

Yes. I am the manager of Children's of Mississippi Injury Prevention Program and Safe Kids MS. We conduct Drivers IMPACT courses for teens in the tri-county metro area. By summer, this course will be offered in north and south MS. Safe Kids MS provides child passenger safety technician courses to law enforcement, state agencies and others across the state, along with a car seat distribution program. Other community activities include parenting classes, childcare facility training, and car seat checkpoints. Children's of MS is the only children's hospital and only level 1 trauma hospital in our state. All of our occupant protection educations is also provided to patients.

9. Have you participated in any projects that were sponsored or coordinated by the occupant protection coalition? If so, please describe.

No, but as a grant recipient, we hosts several projects and events each year.

10. Are you aware of any other occupant protection issues being addressed by the coalition?

Occupant protection is currently working to increase recertification rates among law enforcement.

11. Please describe any changes you have noted in the community as a result of the program:

A) Behavioral changes (for example, changes in seat belt/child safety seat use, changes in enforcement efforts, etc.):

MS has seen an increase in use belted children and use of child restraints.

B) Changes in community attitudes or community norms:

The combination of education and law enforcement has impacted the views of various communities Safe Kids MS works with.

C) Changes in your definition of the community's occupant protection problem:

Although there is an increase in use of child restraints, I think we should focus more on proper restraint to drive down the number of injuries and fatalities more.

12. Please provide suggestions or recommendations to the Assessment Team below:



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How often? We receive the minutes from prior meetings at the first of every meeting. Also emails are sent out on the meetings with reminders
7. Are you involved in setting program goals, objectives, priorities and strategies? If so, how?  
    We are within our own jurisdiction. We set goals within our funding of numbers issued and educational speeches given.
8. Do you help promote traffic safety/occupant protection issues in your line of work and/or to the community at large? If so, how? We conduct training among officers as well as during classes taught by officers within the department. This topic is also used during our DARE classes.
9. Have you participated in any projects that were sponsored or coordinated by the occupant protection coalition? If so, please describe. Occupant Protection Funding through Grants/ MASHL/ News Media/ Blitz Periods
10. Are you aware of any other occupant protection issues being addressed by the coalition?  
    Not at this time
11. Please describe any changes you have noted in the community as a result of the program:
- A) Behavioral changes (for example, changes in seat belt/child safety seat use, changes in enforcement efforts, etc.):  
    Increased awareness on the usage of restraint devices. Officers appear more aware looking for the violation.
- B) Changes in community attitudes or community norms:  
    Citizens know that usage is mandatory within the jurisdiction or legal action will be initiated.
- C) Changes in your definition of the community's occupant protection problem:  
Revolving community due to college campus. Turnover every year with new students. Actual citizens have become aware of the enforcement and usage appears to have drastically increased
12. Please provide suggestions or recommendations to the Assessment Team below:

**Thankyou!**



C. How effective is the coalition in terms of accomplishing its mission?

1	2	3	4	<b>5</b>
not effective				very effective

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How often? Monthly

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As a member of MAHSL, I am also the youth committee chair. From that position, we have created a youth coalition called, Mississippi Youth Safe-Driving Coalition focused on all driving issues and behaviors. As a coalition, we set the agenda, pace and initiatives.

As the youth programs program director, I set the goals of our program based on the state goals.

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Yes. Our program shares the message, statewide, as we travel throughout the state to youth and adults. We also publicize the efforts using social media and through our Student Advisory Board. We include occupant protection in our statewide youth conferences and special projects.

9. Have you participated in any projects that were sponsored or coordinated by the occupant protection coalition? If so, please describe.

Yes. We have attended the MAHSL meetings and the press conferences each year. We attended the statewide conference and strategic planning meetings.

10. Are you aware of any other occupant protection issues being addressed by the coalition?

Child protection.

11. Please describe any changes you have noted in the community as a result of the program:

A) Behavioral changes (for example, changes in seat belt/child safety seat use, changes in enforcement efforts, etc.);

In the time I have been funded by MOHS I have seen strong enforcement efforts. As we go to schools, students know the slogan – click it or ticket.

B) Changes in community attitudes or community norms:

During the click it or ticket campaigns – people are wearing their seat belts more.

C) Changes in your definition of the community's occupant protection problem:

Mississippi needs an all-passenger law and a higher fine for violations.

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2. Are you an active member of the occupant protection coalition?  yes \_\_\_ no  
Please indicate which area you represent:  
\_\_\_ Law enforcement      \_\_\_ Local business      \_\_\_ Health care  
\_\_\_ Media       Other Evaluation
  
3. How long have you been involved with the occupant protection/traffic safety program? 12+ years
  
4. Do you attend coalition meetings?  yes \_\_\_ no  
If so, how often do you attend meetings? at least quarterly
  
5. Please provide your opinion of the following questions regarding the coalition:
  - A. To what extent are you satisfied with the composition of the coalition?

1	2	3	4	5
not satisfied				very satisfied
  
  - B. To what extent do coalition members actively participate in the program (for example, regularly attend meetings, volunteer to assist with projects, advocate for traffic safety, etc.)?

1	2	3	4	5
very little participation				lots of participation
  
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mostly evaluation strategies

8. Do you help promote traffic safety/occupant protection issues in your line of work and/or to the community at large? If so, how?

yes, reports & brochures & posters

9. Have you participated in any projects that were sponsored or coordinated by the occupant protection coalition? If so, please describe.

CLOT evaluations, Teen Belt evaluations  
Child Restraint evaluations

10. Are you aware of any other occupant protection issues being addressed by the coalition?

There are several others

11. Please describe any changes you have noted in the community as a result of the program:

A) Behavioral changes (for example, changes in seat belt/child safety seat use, changes in enforcement efforts, etc.):

Always hope for OP increases

B) Changes in community attitudes or community norms:

Slow process to change culture.

C) Changes in your definition of the community's occupant protection problem:

None

12. Please provide suggestions or recommendations to the Assessment Team below:

**Thank you!**



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How often?

7. Are you involved in setting program goals, objectives, priorities and strategies? If so, how?  
Yes, through OP Grant

8. Do you help promote traffic safety/occupant protection issues in your line of work and/or to the community at large? If so, how?  
Enforcement

9. Have you participated in any projects that were sponsored or coordinated by the occupant protection coalition? If so, please describe.  
Yes, Click It or Ticket

10. Are you aware of any other occupant protection issues being addressed by the coalition?  
No

11. Please describe any changes you have noted in the community as a result of the program:

A) Behavioral changes (for example, changes in seat belt/child safety seat use, changes in enforcement efforts, etc.):

\_ Have noticed increased seatbelt use in Hinds County

B) Changes in community attitudes or community norms:

C) Changes in your definition of the community's occupant protection problem:

12. Please provide suggestions or recommendations to the Assessment Team below:

**Thank you!**