

# **Listening Session for the National Registry of Certified Medical Examiners**

**Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration  
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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**
  - Kaye Kirby, RN
  - 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**

