



# DHS News

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## **Staff attend training to become certified child passenger safety technicians**

This month, 14 representatives from the Office of Children, Youth and Families (CYF) and Shannon Evans, DHS emergency/risk coordinator, participated in an intensive four-day training to learn how to improve safety while transporting children.

Due to the nature of their work, staff in a variety of CYF roles are responsible for transporting children. In the past, child passenger safety education was conducted annually by a community education officer. The decision was made to train internally to increase capacity and make the training more accessible. Those trained can now serve as resources for their regional office, field questions and offer guidance around safely transporting children.

Shannon said, "Proper car seat installation and child passenger restraint awareness is a critical component of keeping children safe within our community. Child passenger safety and best practice car seat installations allow for prevention of injury and align with our mission to protect children."