Regional Toxicology Liaison (RTL) Year End Summary Report: October 2024 – September 2025

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Northeast Dr. Sabra Jones	<u>States</u>	
Region 1	Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont	
Region 2	New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico, U.S. Virgin Islands	
Region 3	Delaware, District of Columbia, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia	
<u>Midwest</u> Amy Miles	<u>States</u>	
Region 5	Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin	
Region 8	North Dakota, South Dakota	
Mid-South Chris Heartsill	<u>States</u>	
Region 6	Oklahoma, Texas	
Region 7	Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Iowa, Nebraska	
Region 8	Colorado	
<u>Western</u> Kristen Burke	<u>States</u>	
Region 6	New Mexico	
Region 9	Arizona, California, Hawaii	
Pacific Territories	American Samoa, Guam, Northern Mariana Islands	

This report summarizes the activities and accomplishments of the Regional Toxicology Liaison (RTL) program from October 2024 through September 2025. The RTL program is designed to strengthen state toxicology programs by enhancing support, communication, and resources. RTLs work collaboratively with forensic laboratories, traffic safety partners, judicial systems, and national organizations to improve toxicology testing, data reporting, and training across multiple regions in the United States.

An area the RTLs receive frequent requests is testing method development and validation. Implementing a new testing method ,or increasing the scope of testing in a current one, is labor and time intensive and most laboratories do not have the resources to complete the work in a timely manner. Many take up to a year just to get a new method into production. The RTL program worked with Responsibility.org to fund a group to develop and validate two methods for a laboratory in California. The lab requested a THC method for blood and urine and a drug screening panel for a newly purchased LC-MS/MS. The work was completed earlier in the year and the THC method was successfully implemented. The screening panel was problematic for several reasons. The laboratory continues to work on implementation of the testing panel. The greatest takeaway was to better prepare and train the laboratory personnel before beginning the development and validation work and to ensure the laboratory has the internal resources to implement the method.

The RTLs focused much of their efforts on understanding the gaps in data, specifically as it relates to forensic toxicology and the DUI data systems in states. After attending the Association of Traffic Safety Information Professionals (ATSIP) Traffic Records Forum (TRF), the RTLs were included in the ATSIP Toxicology Working Group's activities. From there, a smaller subgroup was created that meets every two weeks. This subgroup is identifying a laboratory to use as a pilot for integrating forensic toxicology data into a state's DUI data system.

Mid-South Region Activities

Throughout the reporting period, the Mid-South RTL, Chris Heartsill, maintained a robust schedule of recurring engagements, including weekly RTL meetings, monthly Region 7 state conference calls, and participation in various national and regional committees. These included leadership roles in the National Safety Council's Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division (NSC-ADID), the Society of Forensic Toxicologists (SOFT), and the Organizational Scientific Area Committees (OSAC) Toxicology Subcommittee. Mr. Heartsill also contributed to the Midwest Toxicology Collaborative and impaired driving subcommittees in Missouri, Texas, and Oklahoma.

During this period, Mr. Heartsill provided testimony training and technical support to laboratories in newly added states, including Texas, Oklahoma, and Colorado. The expansion of the RTL program necessitated outreach to approximately 20 new laboratories, with efforts focused on understanding their operational needs and integrating them into the broader network of toxicology support. Mr. Heartsill facilitated meetings with laboratories in Houston, Tarrant County, and Dallas, as well as with the Colorado Bureau of Investigation, to discuss training and resource needs.

Mr. Heartsill actively participated in national conferences, presenting on topics such as ASB 122 alcohol calculations, toxicology interpretation in court, and the expansion of the RTL program. Notable presentations were delivered at the American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Lifesavers Conference on Roadway Safety, Southwest Association of Toxicologists Annual Meeting, Missouri Treatment Court Conference, International Association of Chemical Testing Annual Conference, Missouri Prosecutor Conference, and Kansas Judicial Conference.

In addition to conference presentations, Mr. Heartsill engaged in collaborative efforts with the National District Attorneys Association (NDAA) to revise the Alcohol Toxicology for Prosecutors monograph and supported AllRise in updating their Best Practices Manual for toxicology testing in treatment courts. He also contributed to webinars and planning sessions with the American Bar Association and provided scientific testimony for legislative hearings in Michigan.

Mr. Heartsill's involvement in standards development through OSAC and the <u>Academy Standards Board (ASB)</u> was instrumental in advancing consistency in toxicology testing and testimony. Participation in the development and adjudication of standards such as ASB 054 and ASB BPR 122 ensured that laboratories in the region had access to the latest guidelines and best practices.

Support for traffic safety initiatives included active participation in impaired driving task forces, collaboration with state highway safety offices, and presentations at judicial conferences. His efforts helped bridge gaps between laboratories and traffic safety partners, fostering a more integrated approach to addressing drug-impaired driving.

Overall, Mr. Heartsill's activities in the Mid-South region during this period reflect a comprehensive approach to enhancing forensic toxicology services, promoting standardization, and supporting the broader criminal justice and traffic safety communities.

Midwest Region

In the Midwest region, the RTL program has focused on strengthening relationships with forensic laboratories across Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota, Ohio, Wisconsin, North Dakota, and South Dakota. Amy Miles, the RTL for this region, transitioned into her role by meeting with laboratories previously supported by Dr. Sabra Jones. She prioritized outreach to newly added laboratories in North Dakota and South Dakota, ensuring they received the necessary support and guidance. Throughout the reporting period, Ms. Miles facilitated connections between labs and highway safety partners, particularly in Ohio, where efforts are underway to convene a toxicology summit. She also provided scientific support for legislative initiatives in Illinois, Michigan and Indiana, including bills related to oral fluid testing and THC regulation. Ms. Miles actively participated in national and regional conferences, presenting on drug trends and toxicology standards, and co-led testimony training workshops at the International Association of Chemical Testing Annual Conference. Her involvement in organizations such as SOFT, ATSIP, and NSC-ADID has enabled her to advocate for data integration, laboratory standardization, and continuing education. She also contributed to the revision of the Alcohol Toxicology for Prosecutors Monograph and supported webinars and training for judicial and law enforcement partners. Her work has been instrumental in promoting consistency, collaboration, and innovation across the Midwest's toxicology landscape.

In addition to her work as an RTL, Ms. Miles is the RTL Program Manager. As such, Ms. Miles coordinates with states that are not currently represented by the program and offers assistance as time and resources allow.

Northeast Region

In the Northeast region, Dr. Sabra Jones has led efforts to engage laboratories and traffic safety partners across Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, New Jersey, New York, Delaware, District of Columbia, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia. She conducted introductory meetings with over twenty laboratories to assess their needs and challenges, facilitating connections with instrument vendors and public health partners. Dr. Jones played a pivotal role in organizing and presenting at the Current Trends in Forensic Toxicology conference, which attracted over 1800 attendees globally. She also chaired the SOFT Toxicology Resource Committee and contributed to the development of standards through the Academy Standards Board. Her collaboration with state highway safety offices led to enhanced communication and planning, including follow-up meetings in North Carolina and presentations at regional conferences in Maine and West Virginia. Dr. Jones provided expert testimony and training for judicial audiences, including webinars on the Smith v. Arizona decision and presentations for drug court conferences. Her leadership in NSC-ADID and involvement in cannabis-related working groups have furthered the RTL program's mission to promote consistency and awareness in forensic toxicology. Her efforts have significantly advanced laboratory support, stakeholder engagement, and standards implementation throughout the Northeast.

Western Region

In the Western region, Kristen Burke has focused on supporting laboratories and traffic safety partners in New Mexico, Arizona, California, and Hawaii. Her work began with planning and advisement for Hawaii, which currently lacks a forensic toxicology laboratory. She collaborated with highway safety officials and potential testing providers to address this gap. In Arizona and California, Ms. Burke

facilitated technical assistance for laboratories, including support for testing methods involving emerging substances like mitragynine. She coordinated training and presentations for drug court conferences in Arizona and Mississippi, providing education on toxicology and drug trends. Her engagement with the California Impaired Driving Task Force and collaboration with DRE programs have strengthened the connection between toxicologists and law enforcement. Ms. Burke also contributed to legislative efforts in Michigan, offering scientific testimony on oral fluid testing and meeting with lawmakers to explain toxicology's role in impaired driving investigations. Her involvement in SOFT and NSC-ADID has enabled her to advocate for laboratory standards and share resources across the region. Through webinars, committee meetings, and direct consultation, Ms. Burke has advanced the RTL program's goals of education, standardization, and collaboration in the Western United States.

RTL ACTIVITY DETAIL

October to December 2024 Activities:

Northeast

Recurring:

RTL weekly meetings – Wednesday each week.

- (R5) Minnesota DWI Taskforce-Monthly
- (R5) Minnesota Office of Traffic Safety Staff Meeting Monthly
- (R5) Illinois Impaired Driving Task Force Meeting Monthly
- (R5) Illinois Forensic Science Commission Monthly
- (R5) Illinois Forensic Science Commission Public Policy Subcommittee Monthly
- (R5) Wisconsin Impaired Driving Work Group Quarterly
- (R5) Michigan Governor's Traffic Safety Advisory Commission Quarterly

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Cannabis in Safety Sensitive Positions – No set time or date.

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Cannabis Section – Monthly National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division –Position Statement on Adoption of

Consensus-Based Standards, Laboratory Accreditation, and Certification – No set time or date. Academy Standards Board – Toxicology Consensus Body – Monthly

Organizational Scientific Area Committees (OSAC)/Academy Standards Board Leadership Meetings – Monthly

Academy Standards Board – Toxicology Consensus Body Working Group Technical Report 208 Terms and Definitions- No set time or date.

Academy Standards Board – Toxicology Consensus Body Working Group Standard 037-Standard for Opinions and Testimony in Forensic Toxicology- No set time or date.

Academy Standards Board – Toxicology Consensus Body Working Group 173 Standard for Education and Training of Forensic Toxicology Personnel – No set time or date.

- (R1) Forensic Science Oversight Board Meeting (MA) Monthly
- (R5) Recovery Ohio Drug Trends Meeting Monthly
- (R5) 2024 Midwest Traffic Safety Conference Planning Meetings No set time or date
- (R5) Midwest Toxicology Collaborative Meetings Quarterly

Past Single Events:

Montana RTL Testimony Training, Missoula, MT – October 2-4, 2024

National Alliance to Stop Impaired Driving Conference-Mental Health Session Planning Meeting – October 18, 2024

(R1/2) Northeastern Association of Forensic Scientists Annual Meeting, Atlantic City, NJ – October 22-24, 2024

National Safety Council Alcohol, Drugs, and Impairment Division Meeting St. Louis, MO – October 27, 2024 Society of Forensic Toxicologist Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO – October 28-30, 2024

"Utilization of ANSI/ASB 037, Guidelines for Opinions and Testimony in Forensic Toxicology", SOFT Workshop 5, St. Louis, MO – October 28, 2024

"The ABCs of ABFT Certification: History, QA/QC and Regulatory Oversight", SOFT Workshop 12, St. Louis, MO – October 29, 2024

- (R1) Boston Police Department On-Site Audit Follow-Up, Boston, MA October 31, 2024 Midwest Traffic Safety Conference, Itasca, IL November 12-14, 2024
- (R1) Commonwealth of Massachusetts Forensic Science Oversight Board Meeting November 15, 2024 National Alliance to Stop Impaired Driving Conference, Alexandria, VA – November 18-20, 2024
- (R5) Illinois Impaired Driving Task Force Meeting October 25, 2024
- (R9) San Diego Testimony Training, Virtual December 5 2024
- (R1) "Fostering Excellence in the Forensic and Legal Communities", Commonwealth of Massachusetts's Forensic Science Oversight Board Summitt/Social Law Library, Virtual December 5, 2024
- (R1) RTL Introduction Meeting with Connecticut Toxicology Laboratory (Dr. Jessica Gleba), Virtual December 11, 2024

SOFT Committee Activity Update Meeting, Toxicology Resource Committee, Virtual – December 12, 2024

Mid-South

Recurring:

RTL weekly meetings – Wednesday each week.

R7 Monthly State conference call – Third Tuesday each month

*National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Executive Board – Secretary, member of Administrative Committee.

*Society of Forensic Toxicologists – monthly Board of Directors Meetings

Additional SOFT Activities include – Current President Elect, Member of the Finance Committee, Member of the Toxicology Resource Committee, Co-Editor of ToxTalk, mentor in SOFT Mentoring Program

*OSAC Toxicology Subcommittee Monthly meetings

Additional OSAC work includes participation on the Alcohol Standard Methods subcommittee. Midwest Toxicology Collaborative – Round Table – monthly meetings

Missouri Impaired Driving Subcommittee monthly meeting – Second Friday of the month

Past Single event:

Montana Testimony Training, Missoula, MT - October 3-4, 2024

<u>Southwestern Association of Forensic Scientists (speaker), Little Rock, AR</u> – October 7, 2024 <u>Iowa State Toxicology Assessment, Des Moines, IA</u> – October 17, 2024

*Society of Forensic Toxicologist Annual Meeting, St. Louis, MO – October 26 to November 1, 2024 Arkansas State Toxicology Assessment, Little Rock, AR – November 15, 2024

*National Alliance to Stop Impaired Driving Conference, Washington DC – November 18-20, 2024

Western:

Monthly

Weekly RTL Meetings

October

3rd – 4th - Montana Testimony Training (online)

15th – CA DOJ – CA labs AZ Interpretation Meeting ended early due to tech issues.

17th - NASID Speaker Info Meeting

27th – NSC ADID Meeting (Online)

November

14th - CA IDTF Meeting Elk Grove, CA

17th - 20th - NASID Conference

27th - SOFT community Platform Meeting

December

No activities except monthly meetings

January to March Activity Detail

Northeast

An RTL introduction meeting with Connecticut (R1) Toxicology Laboratory, Virtual – December 11, 2024 Northeastern Association of Toxicologists (NEAT) (R1) Guidance Meeting 2025, Virtual – January 6, 2025 and January 30, 2025. NEAT is made up of government funded forensic toxicologists who meet annually to address drug trends and provide continuing education.

An RTL introduction meeting with Vermont (R1) Toxicology Laboratory, Virtual – January 7, 2025

An RTL introduction meeting with the Centers for Disease Control Meeting, Virtual – January 7, 2025

An RTL introduction meeting with Massachusetts (R1) State Police Toxicology Laboratory, Virtual – January 7, 2025

An RTL introduction meeting with New York/Westchester County (R2) Toxicology Laboratory, Virtual – January 9, 2025

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts (R1) Forensic Science Oversight Board (FSOB), Virtual – January 10, 2025, from 10:00 to 3:00 PM ET. I serve in the Forensic Science Expert board position. The mission of the FSOB is to provide enhanced, objective, and independent auditing and oversight of forensic evidence used in criminal matters. The board has oversight authority over all commonwealth facilities engaged in forensic services in criminal investigations. This includes ensuring the integrity of forensic analysis performed in state and municipal laboratories

An RTL introduction and planning meeting with NHTSA Region 2 Office, Virtual – January 6, 2025. This was an opportunity to share information on the support the RTL program can offer Region 2, government funded toxicologists, and other traffic safety partners in the states of NHTSA R2.

DARTS Discussions Advancing Research in Transportation Safety, Washington, DC (R3) – January 13, 2025

An RTL Introduction Meeting with Maine (R1) Toxicology Laboratory, Virtual – January 14, 2025

Assisted the Massachusetts (R1) State Police Toxicology Laboratory with Blood Alcohol Certified Reference Standards request for information. – January 14, 2025

An RTL Introduction Meeting with Forensic Toxicology Laboratory, Philadelphia Medical Examiner's Office (R2), Virtual – January 15, 2025

An RTL Introduction Meeting with North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (R3), Virtual – January 17, 2025

The Society of Forensic Toxicology, Toxicology Resource Committee and the RTL program can leverage the membership in meeting its mission to identify gaps in publicly funded forensic toxicology labs and to target resources to assist in furthering the science of forensic toxicology. This committee provides guidance regarding available funding sources, compiles information about existing grant opportunities, provides direction and assistance in filing grants for first-time applicants, and facilitates mutually beneficial partnerships with stakeholders to advocate for forensic laboratories and foster innovative ideas to further forensic toxicology. The SOFT TRC and RTLs met on January 17, 2025

An RTL Introduction Meeting with Virginia's Department of Forensic Science Toxicology Laboratory (R3), Virtual – January 21, 2025

An RTL Introduction Meeting with the District of Columbia's Office of the Chief Medical Examiner's Office (R3), Virtual – January 21, 2025

An RTL introduction and planning meeting with NHTSA Region 3 Office, Virtual – January 22, 2025. This was an opportunity to share information on the support the RTL program can offer Region 3, government funded toxicologists, and other traffic safety partners in the states of NHTSA R3.

An RTL Introduction Meeting with the Wake County Bureau of Forensic Services Crime Laboratory / DWI Blood Chemistry Unit, NC (R3), Virtual – January 24, 2025

An RTL Introduction Meeting with the Allegheny County Forensic Toxicology Laboratory, PA (R3), Virtual – January 24, 2025

An RTL Introduction Meeting with the Pennsylvania State Police | Bureau of Forensic Services (R3), Virtual – January 27, 2025

An RTL Introduction Meeting with the NC Department of Justice Crime Laboratory (R3), Virtual – January 28, 2025

An RTL Introduction Meeting with the MD State Police Crime Laboratory (R3), Virtual – January 28, 2025

An RTL Introduction Meeting with the Onondaga County-Medical Examiner's Office-Forensic Toxicology, NY (R2), Virtual – January 29, 2025

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts (R1) Forensic Science Oversight Board (FSOB), Virtual – January 31, 2025, from 10:00 to 2:00 PM ET.

An RTL introduction meeting with North Carolina (R3) Governor's Highway Safety Program, Virtual – January 7, 2025. This was an opportunity to share information on the support the RTL program can offer North Carolina, NC's government-funded toxicology laboratories, and other traffic safety partners in the state.

Meeting on Medication Assisted Therapies and Toxicology Testing for All Rise and Alabama Drug Courts, Virtual – January 14, 2025

Presentation development for Alabama Drug Courts Conference for Medication Assisted Therapies and Impact on Toxicology Testing. January 15, January 20, January 24

Presentation development for Alabama Drug Courts Conference for Toxicology Testing (Overview). January 16, January 20, January 23

Review of revised All Rise Standard VII. All Rise Standard VII focuses on Drug and Alcohol Testing within adult treatment courts. This standard provides comprehensive guidelines for effective and reliable testing practices. January 22, 2025

Conducted a review of scientific content submitted for the Impaired Driving and Traffic Safety conference, organized by the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP). January 27, 2025

Alcohol Toxicology for Prosecutors--Monograph Update Meeting, Virtual – January 28, 2025

An RTL Introduction Meeting with the Massachusetts (R1) Assistant District Attorney in the Middlesex County District Attorney's Office, Virtual – January 29, 2025

The Toxicology ANSI/ASB Consensus Body meets monthly. Leadership meeting, Virtual – January 24, 2025, CB meeting, Virtual – January 9, 2025. Subcomm ASB 037 Meeting dates: January 15, 2025, January 23, 2025

The National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Nominating Committee met on January 2, 2025, to finalize the selection of officers and Executive Board members. Cannabis Harmful Effects on Youth and Young Adults Working group meeting, Virtual – January 14, 2025. Impairment Advisory Board Virtual – January 30, 2025

Midwest

Recurring:

RTL Weekly Meetings – Wednesday each week

RTL NHTSA HQ Meeting – Fourth Thursday each month

Responsibility.org – Meet each Tuesday

Minnesota DWI Task Force - Third Friday each month

MADD Advisory Board Meeting – Third Wedesday each month

<u>National Safety Council – Alcohol and Drug Impairment Division – Drug Section (NSC-ADID)*</u> – Last Friday of each month

<u>Midwest Toxicology Collaborative Steering Committee</u> – Last Friday of each month

Society of Forensic Toxicologists – 2025 Planning Committee Meeting* – Serving as co-host for the 2025

- Planning Committee meets second Tuesday of each month
- SOFT Hosts and SOFT Office meeting first Wednesday of each month

Method Development and Validation Project – Every other Monday

<u>Association of Traffic Information Professionals (ATSIP) Impaired Driving Data Task Force</u> – Third Tuesday every month

<u>ATSIP Knowledge Partners</u> – Quarterly, third Wednesday of the month

Wisconsin Laboratory Check-In Meeting - Third Monday of each month

<u>Addiction Grand Rounds* – UW Madison</u> – First Wednesday of each month

Wisconsin State Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs (SCAODA)* - Quarterly, dates TBD

<u>National Institute of Justice – Forensic Laboratory Needs Working Group (FLN-TWG)*</u> – First Friday of the month

Past Single event:

<u>Meeting with GSA expertise – February 3rd</u> - Looking to get SOFT/RTL program on the GSA Schedule. Strategy and educational meeting from two groups on the Schedule to understand expectations and process.

Meeting with the TrisAnn Jodon (FARS) – February 5th – Discussed needs of FARS from forensic tox labs. Used Wisconsin as an example, worked through multiple cases to understand what is needed by FARS and how the labs can improve communication. Will have TrisAnn give a webinar to the labs in the regions in June.

<u>Waters instrument meeting</u> – February 6th – Meeting with instrument vendor to talk about support for labs that use their instruments. Discussed the need for labs to become more efficient, using data transfers, going paperless, etc.

NHTSA meeting regarding Lifesavers – February 6th – JOL/LEL/TSRP/RTL meeting has been canceled that was to be attended the day before the Lifesavers Conference. Side discussions occurred about the need for the RTLs to meet with the JOLS, TSRPS and LELs. Other meetings will occur to discuss this option.

<u>FLN-TWG Data Modernization</u> – February 7th – Group met to disucss the current status of data sharing between labs and partners. Barriers discussed including the need for LIMS vendors to get on board.

<u>Communication with TIRF</u> – February 11th – A few labs have asked about laboratory systems reviews that have occurred in other states. TIRF conducted one in Nevada (I was on the team) in 2020-2021. Requested

the report from TIRF, unable to distribute. Outcomes of the Nevada report were not positive, barriers with legislation and funding.

<u>Illinois lab request</u> – Ongoing throughout February – lab requested an external examination of a Proficiency Test. The Wisconsin State Lab of Hygiene volunteered to re-test the PT for the Illinois lab to compare results. All results matched, Illinois will take this information to the PT provider.

NSC – ADID Meeting – February 16th – Attended the NSC ADID meeting. Also attended the Robert F. Borkenstein Award dinner that evening.

<u>ATSIP Impaired Driving Data TF</u> – February 18th – Looking to standup a toxicology subcommittee to explore the feasibility of integrating toxicology data into highway safety data systems.

Mental Health and Impaired Driving Research webinar (R.org) – February 20th – Attended webinar on mental health and impaired driving, understanding the challenges.

<u>NHTSA meeting</u> – February 20th – Met with Jen Conlon (COR) and Barbara Rizzuti to find ways to better collaborate and communicate between the RTLs and the NHTSA regional offices. Suggestion to provide a blurb for Barbara's newsletter which will include a link to the SOFT website. The website has links to the quarterly reports I send to NHTSA.

<u>NTLC Alcohol Monograph</u> – February 21st – The RTLs have been asked to update the NTLC's alcohol monograph: https://ndaa.org/wp-content/uploads/Alcohol-Toxicology.pdf The groups met to strategize and discuss timeline.

<u>Meeting with Wisconsin TSRPs</u> – February 21st – Discussed how to better integrate the WI lab systems, also talked about recent caselaw regarding d/l-methamphetamine.

<u>NASID Oral Fluid Working Group</u> – February 25th – Covered the current outreach documents NASID is planning to disseminate that details roadside OF testing devices.

<u>DRE Post-Incident review</u> – February 25th – DrugImpairment.com is looking to create curriculum that examines the reconstruction of an impaired driving investigation through the DRE lens. Would like to include a toxicology component.

<u>DrugImpairment.com</u> – February 27th – Matt Myers met with the RTLs to request assistance in creating training on how to interprept toxicology reports for DrugImpairment.com. Myers would like several modules on the various aspects to include impaired driving and post-mortem toxicology.

<u>Lifesavers planning meeting</u> – February 28th – Due to several speaker cancelations, Lifesavers aske the RTLs to organize a session for the annual meeting. The topic will cover per se limits and the pros and cons of them. The panel will consist of an RTL, TSRP and Jim Eberspacher from AllRise.

<u>Communications with Ohio</u> – ongoing – Ohio labs are looking to hold a toxicology partners summit.

<u>Lifesavers Conference 2025</u> – Presented during a panel on the RTL program and moderated a panel focusing on the impact of per se limits in highway safety and public health

SOFT Site Visit – Travelled to Portland to walk through venues for the annual SOFT conference (as co-host)

<u>Washington State Patrol Lab</u> – Through a connection made during Lifesavers, a meeting was held with the WSP lab. Interest in getting an RTL in their region, discussed challenges lab is facing, need for support

<u>SOFT CommUnity</u> – The RTLs are assisting SOFT to launch an online community engagement software. This will enable greater communication between labs for a variety of topics

<u>Webinar</u> – Attended the "Exploring the Evolution and Detection of Alcohol and Illicit Drugs in Vaping Devices" webinar (3 hours)

American Bar Association Webinar – Met with the ABA to discuss details of the RTL toxicology webinar in May

<u>TSRP Webinar</u> – Attended "The Effect of Drugs in a DUI-D Case: Narcotic Analgesics, Part 2, The Toxicologist"

<u>Michigan Oral Fluid Device Bill</u> – Met with Michigan and discussed their desire to have an neutral party talk about the science of oral fluid at an upcoming bill hearing. Preparing a PPT for Rep. Begole in advance of the hearing to educate on the science behind oral fluid testing.

<u>Attend SOFT Toxicology Resource Committee meeting</u> – provide input to run a survey for SOFT through the UW Survey Center

South Dakota meeting – meeting with the South Dakota lab

<u>Meeting with the Illinois TSRPs</u> – met to discuss collaborations on upcoming trainings, assist in the planning of the Midwest Impaired Driving Conference.

Mid-South

Recurring:

RTL weekly meetings – Wednesday each week.

R7 Monthly State conference call – Third Tuesday each month

<u>National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division</u> – Executive Board – Vice Chair, member of Administrative Committee.

Society of Forensic Toxicologists – monthly Board of Directors Meetings

Additional SOFT Activities include – Current President, Member of the Finance Committee, Member of the Toxicology Resource Committee, Co-Editor of ToxTalk

OSAC Toxicology Subcommittee Monthly meetings

Additional OSAC work includes participation on the Volatiles Standard and Quality Control subcommittee.

<u>Midwest Toxicology Collaborative</u> – Round Table – monthly meetings

Missouri Impaired Driving Subcommittee monthly meeting – Second Friday of the month

<u>Texas Impaired Driving Task Force</u> – Quarterly Meetings

Oklahoma Impaired Driving Task Force – Quarterly Meetings

Working with the NDAA on revising and rewriting the Alcohol Toxicology for Prosecutors monograph

Past Single event:

<u>Cultural Considerations for Supporting Impaired Driving Enforcement in Tribal Communities</u> - GHSA Webinar, February 4, 2025

<u>National Safety Council – Alcohol Drugs and Impairment Division – Executive Board Meeting (virtual),</u> February 10, 2025

<u>National Safety Council – Alcohol Drugs and Impairment Division –</u> Full Division Meeting (virtual), February 16, 2025

American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Baltimore, MD – February 17-21, 2025 (presenter)

Presented on ASB 122 and applications to workplace injury cases.

Met with representatives from Colorado Bureau of Investigation – February 19, 2025

Discussed laboratory needs specifically surrounding training and resources

Met with representatives from Oklahoma Laboratories – February 19, 2025

Discussed laboratory needs specifically surrounding training and resources

Met with representatives from Houston, Texas laboratories – February 19, 2025

Discussed laboratory needs specifically surrounding training and resources

Met with representatives from Tarrant County Medical Examiner' Office – February 19, 2025

Discussed laboratory needs specifically surrounding training and resources

<u>Quality Assurance in Forensic Toxicology: What's Working, What's Not, and What's Next</u> – Society of Forensic Toxicologists Webinar, February 25, 2025

International Association of Chemical Testing Planning Meeting – (Virtual) February 27. 2025

<u>Lifesavers Conference Planning Meeting</u> – (Virtual) February 28, 2025

<u>Joined Oklahoma Criminal Justice – Law Enforcement Task Group</u> representing chemical testing and toxicology interpretation.

NSC-ADID Executive Committee Meeting – (Virtual) March 4, 2025

Texas Driving Under the Influence Forum – March 5, 2025, Austin, TX

Texas DWI Taskforce Meeting - March 6, 2025, Austin, TX

Lifesavers Conference on Roadway Safety – March 7-12, 2025, Anaheim, CA (presenter)

Presenting on Toxicology interpretation as it is used in court

Meeting with Kansas Bureau of Investigation Toxicology Laboratory - (Virtual) March 14, 2025

Meeting with the Wyoming Judiciary (JOL) – (Virtual) March 18, 2025

The Consortium of Forensic Science Organizations – Board Meeting (Virtual) March 18, 2025

Meeting with the Houston Forensic Science Center Toxicology Laboratory - (Virtual) March 19, 2025

<u>Meeting with the Texas A&M Transportation Institute</u> – (Virtual) March 21, 2025 (met to discuss the Texas Impaired Driving Taskforce)

ABA Webinar Planning Session - (Virtual) March 25, 2025

Western

Recurring:

- RTL weekly meetings Wednesday each week
- Region 9 Monthly State conference calls
- RTL Quarterly Meetings
- Ongoing research on the top 20 prescription drugs prescribed over the last ten years and drug trends in testing

Past Single Events:

January 2025

- Met with Hawaii Lab Advisement and 2025 planning
- Meeting with New Mexico Lab
- Toxicology Resource Committee Meeting

February 2025

NSC ADID Meeting

- Alcohol Toxicology Monograph Update meeting with NDAA
- Meeting with Mississippi Drug Courts for future presentation
- Lifesavers Planning Meeting
- Met with New Mexico regarding the DRE Program and training collaboration with California
- Met with California Criminalistics Institute (CCI) to formulate four-day training for California laboratories on alcohol testing, including drinking study with CHP

March 2025

- ABA Webinar Planning Meeting
- Multiple meetings with HI-DOT regarding Hawaii Lab
- Met with potential new lab testing company for Hawaii and Karen (HI DOT) to discuss accreditation and testing requirements
- SOFT TRC Meeting
- Preparation of presentation for Arizona RTL overview (partnered with Sabra Jones) and support for drug courts
- Preparation of presentation and research on prescription drug trends and correlation to impaired driving cases over the last 10 years
- Coordinated testing of Khat (cathinone) in Arizona toxicology cases with Arizona DRE and California lab
- Provided consultation to California DOJ Alcohol TAG on questions regarding method development and required procedure elements

April to June Activity Detail

Northeast

Assisting the New England Area Toxicologists (NEAT) guidance committee for the NEAT annual meeting April 2, 2025

Current Trends in Forensic Toxicology (2025) planning session. April 2, 2025, April 7, 2025, April 28, 2025

The Society of Forensic Toxicology, Toxicology Resource Committee, Chair, April 3, 2025, April 11, 2025

Supporting Kentucky State Police Central Forensic Toxicology Laboratory to schedule the RTL Testimony Training with enlisting the help of their TSRP, JOL, and DEC. – April 2, 2025

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts (R1) Forensic Science Oversight Board (FSOB), April 25, 2025, from 10:00 to 3:00 PM ET.

North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program: Meeting. April 8, 2025

West Virginia (R3) Governors Highway Safety Program's Highway Safety Conference 2025 planning meeting. April 29, 2025

Arizona (R9) Association of Drug Court Professionals Annual Conference, presentations on RTL Program and Drug Trends. April 9-11, 2025

Assisting with the peer review and update of the Drug Resource Guides for Tier 1 and Tier 2 drugs (Recommendations for Toxicological Investigations of Drug-Impaired Driving and Motor Vehicle Fatalities) for traffic safety partners. April 1, 2025

Michigan Oral Fluid Bill, Scientific Advisory and Coordination of Testimony. April 2, 2025

Alcohol Toxicology for Prosecutors--Monograph Update-April 3, 2025

Content development for the Ohio Adult Probation Officer Training Program. April 3, 2025, April 17, 2025

Meeting with the Georgia Drug Court Conference Planning Committee. April 4, 2025, April 8, 2025, April 25, 2025

Meeting with National Traffic Law Center on Expert Review. April 16, 2025

The American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Academy Standards Board (ASB)-April 15, 2025

Academy Standards Board – Toxicology Consensus Body Working Group Standard 037-Standard for Opinions and Testimony in Forensic Toxicology. April 14, 2025, April 17, 2025

Academy Standards Board – Toxicology Consensus Body Working Group Standard 173 for Education and Training of Forensic Toxicology Personnel. – April 1, 2025 (Working Group Meeting)

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Cannabis Section – Meeting Date: April 17, 2025

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Position Statement on The Harmful Effects of Cannabis on Youth and Young Adults – Working Group.

Current Trends in Forensic Toxicology (2025) annual conference May 12-16, 2025, Over 1800 registered attendees, over **1000 daily attendees and 99 countries represented**.

New England Area Toxicologists and New England Forensic Drug Chemists joint meeting. Maynard, MA, May 27, 2025, **Attendee Numbers: 64**

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts (R1) Forensic Science Oversight Board (FSOB), May 30, 2025, 10:00 to 12:00 PM ET.

North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP): Attendee Numbers: 15 *Report Available

West Virginia (R3) Governors Highway Safety Program's Highway Safety Conference presentation "Impaired Driving Screening and Assessment-Toxicology", Bridgeport, WV. May 13-14, 2025, **Session Attendee Numbers: 14**

Maine Impaired Driving Task Force Meeting. Presentation on the RTL Program. May 29, 2025, **Attendee Numbers: 22**

National District Attorneys Association/National Traffic Law Center Webinar: "The Confrontation Clause and Its Impact on Traffic Safety: A Primer" Presentation on Toxicology and the Impact of the Supreme Court Case: Smith v. Arizona, Presented with ABA Fellow/JOL Judge Kate Huffman and OR TSRP Deena Ryerson, May 13, 2025, **Attendee Numbers: 167**

Content development for the Ohio Adult Probation Officer Training Program. May 23, 2025

Content development for the Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutors Webinars "Beyond the Beaker: Toxicology Standards & Tech on Trial". May 8, 2025

The American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Academy Standards Board (ASB) The Toxicology Consensus Body meets monthly. Virtual –May 8, 2025, ASB 013 Appeal Hearing Panel, May 9, 2025

Academy Standards Board – Toxicology Consensus Body Working Group Standard 037-Standard for Opinions and Testimony in Forensic Toxicology. Meeting dates: May 9, 2025, May 19, 2025, May 28, 2025

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Cannabis Section Meeting Date: May 15, 2025

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Position Statement on The Harmful Effects of Cannabis on Youth and Young Adults – Meeting Date: May 20, 2025

RTL Webinar "FARS For Forensic Toxicology" Virtual – June 5, 2025

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts (R1) Forensic Science Oversight Board (FSOB), June 5, 2025 Virtual – June 20, 2025, 10:00 to 12:00 PM ET.

Discussion on RTL Testimony Training for Pennsylvania Toxicology Laboratories. Virtual –June 17, 2025 Speaker planning. June 27, 2025

Discussion on RTL Testimony Training for Maryland Toxicology Laboratories. Virtual –June 17, 2025

New Jersey Recovery Court Conference Planning Discussion. Virtual –June 17, 2025

Kentucky RTL Testimony Training at the Kentucky State Police Central Forensic Laboratory. All RTLs, Jenny Reed, TSRP, Judge John McCarty, KY JOL, and Robert Warfel, KY Law Enforcement Liaison and Drug Evaluation Classification Program Coordinator presented to KY Toxicologists. Frankfort, KY, June 25, 2025, Attendees: 30

2025 Maine AAA Impaired Driving Summit Presentation on the RTL Program. June 20, 2025, **Attendee Numbers: 30-35**

Pennsylvania's DUI Association 3rd Quarter Meeting Presentation on the RTL Program and Resources to Traffic Safety Partners. June 24, 2025 **Attendees: 17**

SOFT/Forensic Toxicology Salary Information for United States Toxicologists. The SOFT Toxicology Resource Committee, which the RTLs are members of, are working with the University of Wisconsin to collect information on current job duties and salary. Various dates in June.

Florida Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor Program Webinars, Presented with fellow RTL Chris Heartsill "Beyond the Beaker: Toxicology Standards & Tech on Trial, June 4, 2025, **Attendee Numbers: 427**

North Carolina Governor's Highway Safety Program (GHSP): Mark Ezzell, Director of GHSP requested my assistance to facilitate ongoing meetings with the NC toxicology laboratories along with representatives

from the GHSP to evaluate the action items and updates from their 2023 Toxicology Stakeholder Meeting. Meeting with Mr. Ezzell, Virtual – June 5, 2025

Content development for the Ohio Adult Probation Officer Training Program. June 4, 5, 9 2025

Abstract development for American College of Medical Toxicology, "Driving Change: Addressing Substance Use and Recovery Through Toxicology and Evidence-Based Clinical Care. June 4, 2025

Ohio Judicial Training Adult Probation Officer Training Program. Presentation "Forensic Toxicology for Probation Officers". Columbus, Ohio. June 12-13, 2025, **Attendees: 50**

The American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Academy Standards Board (ASB) The Toxicology Consensus Body meets monthly. Virtual – June 5, 2025

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Position Statement on The Harmful Effects of Cannabis on Youth and Young Adults – Meeting Date: June 16, 2025

Midwest

Recurring:

RTL Weekly Meetings – Wednesday each week

RTL NHTSA HQ Meeting – Fourth Thursday each month

Responsibility.org – Meet each Tuesday

Minnesota DWI Task Force - Third Friday each month

MADD Advisory Board Meeting – Third Wedesday each month

<u>National Safety Council – Alcohol and Drug Impairment Division – Drug Section (NSC-ADID)*</u> – Last Friday of each month

<u>Midwest Toxicology Collaborative Steering Committee</u> – Last Friday of each month

<u>Society of Forensic Toxicologists – 2025 Planning Committee Meeting*</u> – Serving as co-host for the 2025

- Planning Committee meets second Tuesday of each month
- SOFT Hosts and SOFT Office meeting first Wednesday of each month

Method Development and Validation Project – Every other Monday

<u>Association of Traffic Information Professionals (ATSIP) Impaired Driving Data Task Force</u> – Third Tuesday every month

ATSIP Knowledge Partners – Quarterly, third Wednesday of the month

Wisconsin Laboratory Check-In Meeting – Third Monday of each month

Addiction Grand Rounds* – UW Madison – First Wednesday of each month

Wisconsin State Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs (SCAODA)* – Quarterly, dates TBD

<u>National Institute of Justice – Forensic Laboratory Needs Working Group (FLN-TWG)*</u> – First Friday of the month

Past Single event:

<u>Midwest Association of Toxicology and Therapeutic Drug Monitoring Conference</u> – April 3-4, 2025 Milwaukee, WI - **200 attendees**

Attend and present two sessions: RTL Update, Chasing Drug Trends

<u>International Association of Chemical Testing Annual Conference</u> – April 6-12, 2025, Las Vegas, NV (presenter) – **150 attendees**

Presenting on the expansion of the RTL program and a full day workshop on testimony training for toxicologists

SOFT Continuing Education Committee Meeting – (Virtual) April 8, 2025

SOFT Postmortem Committee Meeting – (Virtual) April 25, 2025

American Academy of Forensic Sciences Webinar – (Virtual) BPR 122 Alcohol Calculations, April 29, 2025

R5 Quarterly Meeting – JOLs: May 12th (virtual)

IL Impaired Driving Conference Planning Meeting: May 12th (virtual)

ABA Webinar: Toxicology "Fun" damentals, May 14th, RTLs presenting (virtual)

ADID Lab Testing Meeting: May 15th (virtual)

<u>Strategies to Address Misreporting of Impaired and Distracted Driving in Motor Vehicle Crashes:</u> webinar, May 15th

AllRise25: May 28-31, Orlando, FL (presenting in 2 sessions) – 230 attendees

RTL Webinar – "FARS For Forensic Toxicology", June 5, 2025 – Over 200 attendees (on demand and live)

TRB Webinar - "Emerging Roadside Chemical Testing For Impaired Driving", June 6, 2025

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Company Type Academia	1	1.11%
Contractor / Consultant	11	12.22%
Other Organization	2	2.22%
Other U.S. Federal Government	1	1.11%
Port Authority	1	1.11%
Research Institution	1	1.11%
State Highway / Transportation Department	63	70%
U.S. DOT	10	11.11%

NHTSA/Dunlap – Sentinel Surveillance Meeting, June 11, 2025

ATSIP Impaired Driving Task Force – Meeting, June 17, 2025

MADD – Monthly Advisory Board Meeting, June 18, 2025

ATSIP – Toxicology Working Group Meeting, June 19, 2025

SOFT 2025 – Hosts meeting with Volunteer Coordinators, June 23, 2025

<u>Kentucky</u> – RTL Testimony Training, June 26, 2025 – 30 attendees (toxicologists from Kentucky)

SOFT/AAFS Drugs and Driving Committee Meeting – June 27, 2025

Mid-South

Recurring:

RTL weekly meetings – Wednesday each week.

R7 Monthly State conference call – Third Tuesday each month

<u>National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division</u> – Executive Board – Vice Chair, member of Administrative Committee.

Society of Forensic Toxicologists – monthly Board of Directors Meetings

Additional SOFT Activities include – Current President, Member of the Finance Committee, Member of the Toxicology Resource Committee, Co-Editor of ToxTalk

OSAC Toxicology Subcommittee Monthly meetings

Additional OSAC work includes participation on the Volatiles Standard and Quality Control subcommittee.

<u>Academy Standards Board</u> – routine meetings to update and publish version 2 of the ASB 054 Quality Control Document.

Midwest Toxicology Collaborative – Round Table – monthly meetings

Missouri Impaired Driving Subcommittee monthly meeting – Second Friday of the month

<u>Texas Impaired Driving Task Force</u> – Quarterly Meetings

Oklahoma Impaired Driving Task Force – Quarterly Meetings

Working with the NDAA on revising and rewriting the Alcohol Toxicology for Prosecutors monograph

<u>The Consortium of Forensic Science Organizations</u> – Twice a month – Meet to get updates on current needs in forensic science and forensic toxicology.

Past Single event:

OSAC Volatiles Standard Comment Adjudication Meeting – (Virtual) April 4, April 14, and April 23, 2025 – Met to adjudicate public comments on the draft document.

<u>International Association of Chemical Testing Annual Conference</u> – April 6-12, 2025, Las Vegas, NV (presenter) - Presented on the expansion of the RTL program, testimony training for toxicologists, challenges to alcohol testimony, and use of ASB 122 alcohol calculations. **Attendees: 150**

<u>SOFT Continuing Education Committee Meeting</u> – (Virtual) April 8, 2025 – Met to discuss the process of ConEd and upcoming trainings and webinars.

<u>The Consortium of Forensic Science Organizations</u> – Board Meeting (Virtual) April 8, 2025 - Met to get updates on current needs in forensic science and forensic toxicology.

<u>Iowa Impaired Driving Taskforce Meeting</u> – (Virtual) April 9, 2025 – Met virtually to get updates on the status of impaired driving initiatives in Iowa and strengthen relationships with state partners.

<u>Iowa Judiciary</u> – April 14, 2025 – Met with Iowa JOL and representative from Iowa Judiciary to discuss upcoming training opportunities.

<u>Dallas County Southwestern Institute of Forensic Sciences</u> – April 15, 2025, Dallas Texas – Provided training to the laboratory to incorporate standards and the creation and distribution of ASB documents

<u>Highland Village Police Department Meeting</u> – April 16, 2025 – Met with Highland Village PD to discuss marijuana testing and best practices.

<u>Texas Impaired Driving Taskforce Quarterly Meeting</u> –April 17, 2025, Austin, TX (presenter) – Presented on RTL Program and State Toxicology Assessments.

<u>Missouri Prosecutor Conference</u> – April 18, 2025, Lake Osage, MO (presenter) - Presented on interpretation of toxicology results and limitations of testimony and strengthened relationships with state partners.

<u>Mississippi Court Administrators Conference</u> – April 22, 2025, Biloxi, MS (presenter) - Presenting on interpretation of toxicology results and limitations of testimony including answering commonly asked toxicology questions.

Contacted Oklahoma State Bureau of Investigation to set up an introductory meeting – April 24, 2025.

<u>Contacted Texas DPS to set up an introductory meeting</u> – April 24, 2025.

Contacted Harris County Institute of Forensic Sciences to set up an introductory meeting – April 24, 2025.

<u>SOFT Postmortem Committee Meeting</u> – (Virtual) April 25, 2025 – Met to understand the activities of the PM Committee.

<u>American Academy of Forensic Sciences Webinar</u> – (Virtual) BPR 122 Alcohol Calculations, April 29, 2025 – Provided information regarding the background, interpretation, and use of ASB BPR 122.

<u>Kansas Judicial Conference</u> – May 1 – May 2, 2025, Manhattan, KS (presenter) - Presenting on using toxicology results in court from a judicial perspective.

<u>Wyoming Judicial Conference</u> – May 7 – May 10, 2025, Jackson, WY (presenter) - Presenting on using toxicology results in court from a judicial perspective.

OSAC Toxicology Subcommittee Annual Meeting (Virtual) – May 13, 2025 – Meeting to work on existing OSAC projects.

<u>The Consortium of Forensic Science Organizations</u> – Board Meeting (Virtual) May 13, 2025 - Meet to get updates on current needs in forensic science and forensic toxicology.

<u>American Bar Association Webinar (virtual presenter)</u> - May 14, 2025 – Presenting on the use and interpretation of ASB BPR 122.

<u>National Alliance to Stop Impaired Driving Membership Meeting (Virtual)</u> – May 14, 2025 – Meeting to get updates on NASID activities and legislative updates.

<u>Association of Ignition Interlock Program Administrators Annual Conference</u> – Salt Lake City, UT, May 18-22, 2025 (presenter) – Presenting on current drug trends and the use of ignition interlock in DUID cases.

<u>SOFT Mentoring Committee Meeting (virtual)</u> – May 21, 2025 – Meeting to get updates on the mentoring program.

<u>The Consortium of Forensic Science Organizations</u> – Board Meeting (Virtual) May 27, 2025 - Meet to get updates on current needs in forensic science and forensic toxicology.

<u>SOFT Young Forensic Toxicologists Committee Meeting (virtual)</u> – May 28, 2025 – Meeting to get updates on the YFT program.

Met with

<u>Missouri Traffic Safety Conference</u> – May 28-30, 2025, Lake Osage, MO (presenter) – Presenting on oral fluid testing and current drug trends.

Met with Vin Petty to prepare for upcoming TSRP Webinar – May 28, 2025.

<u>Midwest Crime Laboratory Meeting</u> – June 3 – June 4, 2025, Topeka, KS (presenter) - Presented on how laboratories are working with and around the Smith V. Arizona Supreme Court Decision. (60 attendees)

<u>Meet with Kansas Bureau of Investigation laboratory</u> - June 5, 2025 – reviewed and discussed measurement uncertainty in toxicology, seized drugs, and firearms.

<u>SOFT Oral Fluid Committee Meeting</u> – June 4, 2025, virtual – met to get updates on the work of the Oral Fluid Committee.

<u>TSRP Webinar Series – Beyond the Beaker: Toxicology Standards & Tech on Trial</u> – June 4, 2025 (virtual) – presented on ASB 122 Alcohol Calculations. (424 registered, 174 live attendees)

RTL Quarterly Meeting – FARS Webinar – June 5, 2025 (virtual)

<u>OSAC Ethanol Committee Comment Adjudication</u> – June 4, 9, 11, 18, 23, 25, 2025 – Virtual meeting to work on public comments to the document.

<u>National Safety Council Division Leadership Meeting –</u> (virtual) June 25, 2025 – Met as a representative of the Alcohol Drugs and Impairment Division and discuss direction and plans of the NSC.

<u>OSAC Toxicology Subcommittee Meeting (Virtual)</u> – June 26, 2025 – Met with entire subcommittee to discuss OSAC activities and finalize documents.

<u>Testimony Training for the Kentucky State Central Forensic Laboratory</u> – Presenter – June 26-28, 2025 – Continuing the testimony training series with supported laboratories throughout the Country (20 attendees)

<u>Iowa State Bar Association Annual Meeting –</u> Presenter – June 23-26, 2025 – Prairie Meadows Iowa – presented on toxicology results interpretation in courtroom settings (50 attendees).

<u>SOFT/AAFS Drugs and Driving Committee Meeting</u> – June 27, 2025, virtual – met to get updates on the work of the Drugs and Driving Committee.

ASB 054 (Quality Control Document) – June 9, 30, 2025 – Met to update and revise the currently published QC document.

Western

Recurring:

- RTL weekly meetings Wednesday of each week
- Region 9 Monthly State conference calls

Past Single Events:

April 2025

- 1-3: Mississippi Drug Court Conference Presentation on Toxicology and Drug Trends
- 7: Meeting with NHTSA Region 9
- 7: Contacted Sacramento County and OC Labs regarding Khat testing capabilities for Arizona
- 9-11: AZ Drug Treatment Court Conference Presented with Sabra on Prescription Drug Trends
- 14: OC Crime Lab Meeting via Zoom
- 15: Meeting with Stacy Good, Arizona Deputy District Attorney via Zoom
- 21: Meeting with Rob Duckworth and team regarding Michigan Oral Fluid Bill
- 22: Submission of presentation slides for the ABA online presentation
- 27-29: Coalition for Traffic Safety Meeting Presentation on Prescription Drug Trends

May 2025

- 14: ABA Webinar Presentation on Toxicology and Poly Drug Impairment/Effects
- 14: Meeting with Region 6 and New Mexico Traffic Safety
- 22: CA OTS Impaired Driving Task Force Meeting
- 23: Meeting with Rob Duckworth, Darrin, and RTLs regarding Michigan Oral Fluid testimony

June 2025

- 4-6: Michigan Oral Fluid Bill Testimony and Meetings
- 26: Kentucky Testimony Training (online)

July to September Activity Detail

Scheduling RTL Testimony Training for Pennsylvania and Maryland Laboratories. July 10, 2025 and July 14, 2025

Follow up with North Carolina Department of Justice Crime Laboratory (Toxicology) on outcomes of various Drug Impaired Driving Toxicology Meetings. July 11, 2025

Society of Forensic Toxicologists Toxicology Resource Committee and Applied Analytical Committee Webinar "Going Paperless: Shredding the barriers to a more efficient and greener laboratory operation" preplanning meeting. July 16, 2025

Assisting Rhode Island Department of Health Toxicology Laboratory and Boston University's Biomedical Forensic Sciences graduate program on intern assistance for method validation. July 18, 2025

Society of Forensic Toxicologists Toxicology Resource Committee Open Committee Meeting. Virtual, July 23, 2025

SOFT/Forensic Toxicology Salary Information for United States Toxicologists. The SOFT Toxicology Resource Committee, which the RTLs are members of, are working with the University of Wisconsin to collect information on current job duties and salary. Various dates in July. Initial rollout on July 28, 2025

SOFT 2027 Annual Meeting Co-Host Planning Meeting. July 31, 2025

RTL Introduction with Cumberland County (PA) forensic toxicology laboratory staff. July 31, 2025 Association of Transportation Safety Information Professionals Traffic Records Forum. Boston, MA July 6-9, 2025

Assisting the National Traffic Law Center's Alcohol Toxicology for Prosecutors revision and update. Various dates in July

Assisting Georgia's Council of Accountability Court Judges with fall conference with a presentation "Evidence-Based Testing in the Justice System: Tools for Treatment Success". Content Development. Various dates in July

Assisting New Jersey's 2025 Recovery Court Conference with two presentations "Addiction and Psychopharmacology" and "Medications and Substance Testing" for their fall meeting. Content Development. Various dates in July

Association of Transportation Safety Information Professionals Traffic Records Forum, Toxicology Working Group Meeting. July 29, 2025

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Academy Standards Board – Toxicology Consensus Body Working Group 173 Standard for Education and Training of Forensic Toxicology Personnel. ASB Standard 173 has been released for multiple rounds of public comment and revision to the document. Public comment adjudication meeting. July 15, 2025

Assisting Nathan Boob, Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor on Pennsylvania's Department of Health Minimum Levels of Controlled Substances or Their Metabolites in Blood to Establish Presence of Controlled Substances (For Impaired Driving). The list is missing impairing substances and a desire to update it. August 1, 2025

Processing mapping resource list development for toxicology laboratories, information meeting with Brooke Ehlers on August 4, 2025

SOFT/Forensic Toxicology Salary Information for United States Toxicologists. The SOFT Toxicology Resource Committee, which the RTLs are members of, are working with the University of Wisconsin to collect information on current job duties and salary. Various dates in August

RTL follow up with Cumberland County (PA, R2) forensic toxicology laboratory staff on standards in education, training, reporting and testimony in forensic toxicology. August 1, 2025

SOFT 2027 Annual Meeting Co-Host Planning Meeting. August 6, 2025

Meeting and content development for SOFT 2025 Workshop on prescription drug trends in impaired driving casework. August 18, 2025, August 20, 2025

SOFT Toxicology Resource Committee/ Applied Analytical Toxicology Committee Webinar "Going Paperless: Shredding the barriers to a more efficient and greener laboratory operation" planning meeting. August 25, 2025

Regional Toxicology Liaison Quarterly Webinar on Bias in Forensic Toxicology with Dr. Hilary Hamnett. September 9, 2025

Pennsylvania RTL Testimony Training at the Municipal Police Officers' Education and Training Commission. All RTLs, Nathan Boob, TSRP, Judge Michael Barrasse, PA JOL, and Corporal Nicholas Zulick, Drug Evaluation and Classification Instructor presented to PA Toxicologists (PA State Police and Cumberland County Toxicology Laboratories). Harrisburg, PA, September 11, 2025, Attendees: 13

Society of Forensic Toxicology joint webinar with the Toxicology Resource Committee/Applied Analytical Toxicology Committee "Going Paperless - Shredding the Barriers to a More Efficient and Greener Laboratory Operation" September 10, 2025 and SOFTopics event September 18, 2025, Registration 148

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts (R1) Forensic Science Oversight Board (FSOB), I serve in the Forensic Science Expert board position. The mission of the FSOB is to provide enhanced, objective, and independent auditing and oversight of forensic evidence used in criminal matters. The board has oversight authority over all commonwealth facilities engaged in forensic services in criminal investigations. This includes ensuring the integrity of forensic analysis performed in state and municipal laboratories. Virtual – September 2025, 10:00 to 12:00 PM ET.

Assisting Nathan Boob, Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor on Pennsylvania's Department of Health Minimum Levels of Controlled Substances or Their Metabolites in Blood to Establish Presence of Controlled Substances (For Impaired Driving). Meeting with Department of Health Leadership September 29, 2025

SOFT/Forensic Toxicology Salary Information for United States Toxicologists. The SOFT Toxicology Resource Committee, which the RTLs are members of, are working with the University of Wisconsin to collect information on current job duties and salary. Various dates in September

Meeting and content development for SOFT 2025 Workshop on prescription drug trends in impaired driving casework. Various Dates in September

Meeting and content development for SOFT 2025 Workshop on mental health in forensic toxicology. Various Dates in September

Association of Transportation Safety Information Professionals Traffic Records Forum, Toxicology Working Group Meeting. September 17, 2025

New Jersey's (R2) 2025 Recovery Court Conference with two presentations "Addiction and Psychopharmacology" and "Medications and Substance Testing". Newark, NJ, September 21, 2024

North Carolina (R3) Impaired Driving Task Force meeting. September 23, 2025

Meeting with AAA Northeast, Dan Goodman on supporting the New Hampshire (R1) Traffic Safety Conference and Vermont's (R1) Highway Safety Alliance, September 23, 2025

Academy Standards Board – Toxicology Consensus Body Working Group 173 Standard for Education and Training of Forensic Toxicology Personnel. ASB Standard 173 is in its 5-year mandatory review and revision process. The working group has drafted the revision, provided it to the ASB Toxicology Consensus Body and the OSAC Toxicology Subcommittee to receive feedback on the revision. The document has been released for public comment, and the working group is currently tasked with resolving comments. September 3, 2025, September 8, 2025, September 29, 2025

Academy Standards Board – Toxicology Consensus Body Working Group Standard 037-Standard for Opinions and Testimony in Forensic Toxicology. ASB Standard 037 is in its 5-year mandatory review and revision process. The working group has drafted the revision, provided it to the ASB Toxicology Consensus Body and the OSAC Toxicology Subcommittee to receive feedback on the revision. The document has been released for public comment, over 400 public comments were received during Round 1, and the working group is currently tasked with resolving comments. September 22, 2025, and September 29, 2025

The American Academy of Forensic Sciences, Academy Standards Board (ASB) is an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) accredited standards development organization. The Toxicology Consensus Body facilitates the development of standards, best practices, and guidance documents for forensic toxicology. The Toxicology Consensus Body meets monthly. Virtual – September 25, 2025

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Position Statement on The Harmful Effects of Cannabis on Youth and Young Adults – Working Group. The growing legalization and normalization of cannabis use pose significant risks, particularly to youth and young adults whose brains are still in crucial stages of development. A growing body of research underscores the detrimental impact of cannabis on cognitive functions, brain structure, and mental health, necessitating a zero-tolerance approach for youth and young adults. Position Statement Draft. Meeting Date: September 2, 2025

National Safety Council – Alcohol Drug and Impairment Division – Cannabis Section – The section meets monthly to provide updates on the section, working group, Division, and NSC activities. In addition to developing nationally and internationally recognized policy and position statements on cannabis, impairment, and safety, we provide needed support and advisory to the National Safety Council so that it meets its mission to eliminate the leading causes of preventable death and injury. Our efforts and thought leadership center on impacting safety through two strategic pillars – workplace and roadway. Meeting Date: September 18, 2025

Working with NSC ADID Past Chair, Michael Corbett on chapter on the impact NSC-ADID has had for Garriott's Medicolegal Aspects of Alcohol, 7th Edition Various Dates in September

National Safety Council Impairment Advisory Board: The NSC Impairment Advisory Board/WSAB is a volunteer group composed of industry, academic, and government experts, as well as thought leaders. Their mission is to strategically advise the National Safety Council on efforts to address impairment both at work and on the road. The board provides expertise, insight, and access to networks that enhance the NSC's initiatives, shape outreach and events, and engage external parties to broaden the impact of their work. Virtual – September 30, 2025

Midwest

Recurring:

RTL Weekly Meetings – Wednesday each week

RTL NHTSA HQ Meeting – Fourth Thursday each month

Responsibility.org – Meet each Tuesday

Minnesota DWI Task Force – Third Friday each month

MADD Advisory Board Meeting – Third Wednesday each month

<u>National Safety Council – Alcohol and Drug Impairment Division – Drug Section (NSC-ADID)</u> – Last Friday of each month

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Wisconsin State Council on Alcohol and Other Drugs (SCAODA)* - Quarterly, dates TBD

NDAA Monograph — meetings and continuous work on re-writing the monograph

ATSIP Traffic Records Forum – Boston, MA, July 6-9

Ohio Impaired Driving Conference Planning Meeting – July 8

APPA Conference Planning Meeting – July 10

Minnesota DWI Taskforce Meeting – July 11

NHTSA DRE/SFST Program Assessment - Follow up meeting - July 11

<u>Midwest Traffic Safety Conference Planning Meeting</u> – July 28 <u>ATSIP Toxicology Working Group – Follow up meeting from TRF</u> – July 29

Toxicology Data Discussion – August 6

CDC Webinar: Clinical Implications of Medetomidine Mixed With Opioids – August 7

<u>TIRF Meeting: OF Bench Test Device</u> – August 13

Wisconsin Governor's Conference on Highway Safety – August 18-20

ATSIP Impaired Driving Task Force Meeting – August 19

ATSIP Toxicology Working Group Meeting – August 21

<u>APPA Conference, New York City</u> – August 25-26

Ohio/Kentucky Drug Impaired Driving Training – August 26-27

ADID Section Meeting – August 29

RTL Webinar: Bias in Forensic Toxicology – September 9

<u>Illinois Forensic Science Commission Meeting</u> – September 10

Midwest Impaired Driving Conference, planning meeting – September 10

<u>SOFT Webinar: Going Paperless: Shredding the Barriers to a More Efficient and Greener Laboratory Operation Confirmation</u> – September 10

Pennsylvania Testimony Training – September 11

<u>Seattle Frye Litigation Meeting</u> – September 12

SOFT and FARS Meeting – September 17

Meeting with MSP lab – September 19

National Interdisciplinary Cannabis Sympsium, Denver, CO – September 20-21

<u>DrugImpairment.com meeting</u> – September 22 and 26

South Dakota Lab meeting - September 23

Borkenstein Drug Course, Philadelphia, PA – September 22-26

IL DUI Task Force Meeting - September 26

NTLC Cannabis Impairment Working Group meeting – September 29

IIHS FARS, Nonfatal OD data meeting - September 30

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Midwest Toxicology Collaborative – Round Table – monthly meetings

Missouri Impaired Driving Subcommittee monthly meeting – Second Friday of the month

Oklahoma Impaired Driving Task Force – Quarterly Meetings

Working with the NDAA on revising and rewriting the Alcohol Toxicology for Prosecutors monograph

<u>The Consortium of Forensic Science Organizations</u> – Twice a month – Meet to get updates on current needs in forensic science and forensic toxicology.

Past Single event:

<u>ATSIP Traffic Records Forum</u> – Boston, MA – July 4, 2025, Met with traffic records partners to improve communication and understanding of toxicology data.

SOFT Finance Committee Meeting – July 10, 2025, virtual – meeting to get review the finances of SOFT.

<u>Tarrant County Medical Examiner Visit</u> – July 11, 2025 – Met with the staff of the toxicology laboratory to discuss the RTL Program and determine needs of the laboratory.

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<u>American Board of Forensic Toxicology Exam Update Panel</u> – Met August 6, 20, and September 3 to evaluate and update ABFT certification exam questions.

<u>A2LA Reference Material v. Certified Reference Material Webinar</u> – August 21, 2025 – attended webinar to better understand the difference in these reference materials.

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<u>Toronto DRE Group – Psychedelics presentation (virtual)</u> – September 4, 2025 – presented on the prevalence and effects of psychedelic substances in Canadian and US drivers. Approximately 65 attendees online and 85 registered for the presentation.

<u>Texas DPS/Dunlap Research Meeting</u> – September 4, 2025 – met with representatives of Dunlap Research and the Texas Department of Public Safety to discuss cannabis only cases in driving and access to them for inclusion in a research study to evaluate impairment markers.

<u>NIST Workshop preparation call</u> – September 4, 2025 – discussed the upcoming workshop on breath cannabis technology and my participation on an expert panel.

<u>Bias in Forensic Toxicology – RTL Quarterly Webinar</u> – September 9, 2025 – introduced the speaker for the RTL Quarterly Webinar and moderated questions with the two participants. (did not catch the number of participants)

<u>Going Paperless – SOFT Continuing Education Webinar</u> – September 10, 2025 – attended the webinar to learn more about laboratories' efforts in moving toward a paperless environment.

<u>Washington State Frye Litigation Meeting</u> – September 12 and 22, 2025 – Met with prosecutors from Washington State to discuss testimony supporting the Washington State Patrol forensic toxicology laboratory.

<u>Presentation to the Missouri State Prosecutors</u> – It's Not About the Number – September 15, 2025 – presented virtually to approximately 50 attendees on the issues surrounding interpretation of drug results.

<u>Nebraska State Patrol Meeting</u> – September 15, 2025 – met with the forensic toxicology laboratory and members from the state highway safety office regarding moving blood alcohol testing out of the Public Health Department and into the forensic laboratory. Also discussed potential alcohol training for analysts by the RTL Program.

<u>Arkansas Oral Fluid Summit prep meeting (virtual)</u>— September 18, 2025 — Met with summit organizers on presenting OF technology and use from a forensic toxicologist's perspective. The summit will be held in October.

<u>DrugImpairment.com Drug Interpretation Course meeting</u> (virtual) – September 22, 2025 – RTLs met with a representative from DrugImpairment.com regarding collaboration on a drug interpretation course to be provided for our supported states.

<u>NIST Building a Path Forward</u> – September 24-25, 2025 – met in Boulder Colorado to discuss the current status and future of breath cannabis testing. Served on an expert panel with Tara Kelly Baker from NHTSA and discussed technical needs and challenges for emerging technologies.

Western:

Recurring:

- RTL weekly meetings Wednesday each week at 8:00 AM PT
- Region 9 Monthly State conference calls when scheduled
- Ongoing work on Tox Tools Platform Project
- Active participation with the CA OTS Impaired Driving Task Force across three subcommittees

Past Single Events:

July 2025:

- ATSIP Conference 7/5-7/8/25
- SOFT Toxicology Resource Committee Meeting 7/23/25
- TRF Meeting 7/29/25
- Various Laboratory Meetings

August 2025:

- SOFT Mental Health Workshop Planning Meeting 8/1/25
- NTLC Rewrite edits 8/4-8/5/25

- ATSIP Meeting 8/6/25
- CA OTS Impaired Driving Task Force SATR Subcommittee Meeting 8/11/25

- CA Impaired Driving Task Force Criminal Justice-Pre conviction Subcommittee Meeting – 8/14/25
- Rx Drugs Workshop Planning Meeting 8/18/25
- ATSIP Meeting 8/20/25
- ATSIP Toxicology Working Group Meeting 8/21/25
- CA Impaired Driving Task Force Prevention Program Subcommittee Meeting 8/22/25
- Meeting with Mandi M Tox Tools Discussion 8/25/25
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- Laboratory Meetings

September 2025:

- ATSIP Meeting 9/3/25
- Overdose Response Strategy Trends, Analysis, & Threats Webinar 9/3/25
- SOFT Mental Health Workshop Planning Meeting 9/3/25
- Meeting with a member of the FDA Drug Safety Committee 9/9/25
- RTL Quarterly Meeting Bias Webinar 9/9/25
- PA Testimony Training 9/11/25
- ATSIP Meeting 9/17/25
- ATSIP Toxicology Working Group Meeting 9/18/25
- Drugimpairment.com Collaboration Meeting 9/22/25
- NASID Meeting 9/24/25
- DRE Data System: Tox Advisory Panel Meeting 9/26/25
- Laboratory Meetings