



TRAINING

PROVIDER REGISTRY

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Roll Call

- Let us know who is on the line
 - Tell us your name and your role

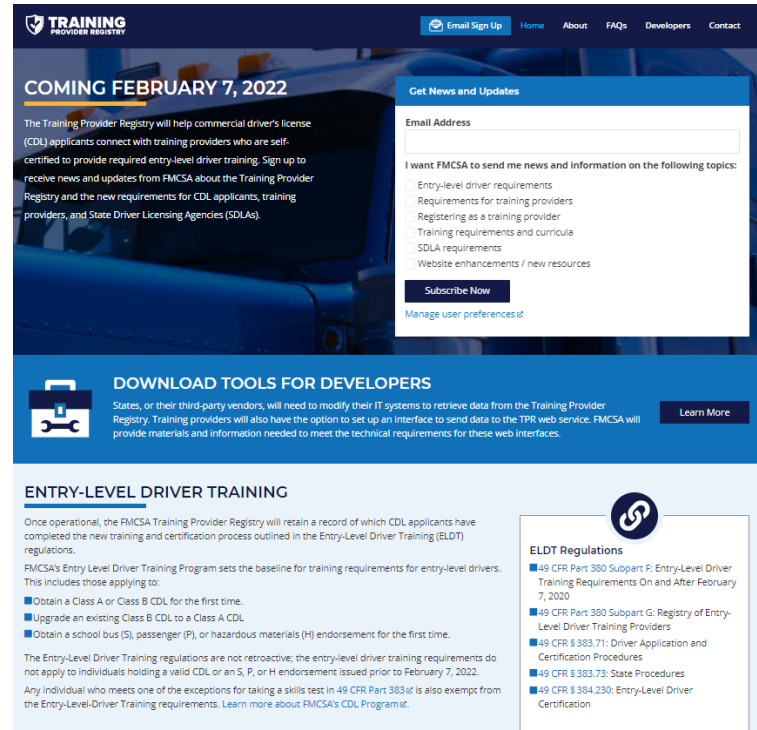


What is the Entry-Level Driver Training (ELDT) final rule?

- Set a Federal standard for mandatory training of entry-level drivers
 - Establishes minimum requirements entry-level driver training providers must meet
 - States may have requirements that exceed Federal requirements
- Established need for the Training Provider Registry

What is the Training Provider Registry?

- An FMCSA web system that will:
 - Host the official list of training providers.
 - Retain a record driver training certification.
- Will be operational on February 7, 2022.



The screenshot shows the Training Provider Registry website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for 'Email Sign Up', 'Home', 'About', 'FAQs', 'Developers', and 'Contact'. The main content area features a prominent announcement: 'COMING FEBRUARY 7, 2022'. Below this, a text block explains that the registry will help commercial driver's license (CDL) applicants connect with training providers who are self-certified to provide required entry-level driver training. A sign-up form is present, asking for an email address and allowing users to select topics they want to receive news and updates on, such as 'Entry-level driver requirements', 'Requirements for training providers', 'Registering as a training provider', 'Training requirements and curricula', 'SDLA requirements', and 'Website enhancements / new resources'. A 'Subscribe Now' button and a 'Manage user preferences' link are also visible.

DOWNLOAD TOOLS FOR DEVELOPERS

States, or their third-party vendors, will need to modify their IT systems to retrieve data from the Training Provider Registry. Training providers will also have the option to set up an interface to send data to the TRR web service. FMCSA will provide materials and information needed to meet the technical requirements for these web interfaces. [Learn More](#)

ENTRY-LEVEL DRIVER TRAINING

Once operational, the FMCSA Training Provider Registry will retain a record of which CDL applicants have completed the new training and certification process outlined in the Entry-Level Driver Training (ELDT) regulations.

FMCSA's Entry Level Driver Training Program sets the baseline for training requirements for entry-level drivers. This includes those applying to:

- Obtain a Class A or Class B CDL for the first time.
- Upgrade an existing Class B CDL to a Class A CDL
- Obtain a school bus (S), passenger (P), or hazardous materials (H) endorsement for the first time.

The Entry-Level Driver Training regulations are not retroactive; the entry-level driver training requirements do not apply to individuals holding a valid CDL or an S, P, or H endorsement issued prior to February 7, 2022. Any individual who meets one of the exceptions for taking a skills test in 49 CFR Part 383.41 is also exempt from the Entry-Level Driver Training requirements. [Learn more about FMCSA's CDL Program.](#)

ELDT Regulations

- 49 CFR Part 380 Subpart F: Entry-Level Driver Training Requirements On and After February 7, 2020
- 49 CFR Part 380 Subpart G: Registry of Entry-Level Driver Training Providers
- 49 CFR § 383.71: Driver Application and Certification Procedures
- 49 CFR § 383.73: State Procedures
- 49 CFR § 384.230: Entry-Level Driver Certification

Which drivers are subject to ELDT?

The ELDT regulations establish new minimum training standards for individuals applying for:

A Class A or Class B commercial driver's license (CDL) for the first time

An upgrade of an existing Class B CDL to a Class A CDL

A hazardous materials (H), passenger (P), or school bus (S) endorsement for the first time

Which drivers are subject to ELDT? (cont'd)

- The rule does **not** cover:
 - Individuals for whom States have waived the CDL skills test under 49 CFR 383.
 - Applicants who obtain a CLP before February 7, 2022, so long as they obtain a CDL before the CLP or renewed CLP expires.

What role do States play in ELDT?

- Critical safety checkpoint



- Beginning February 7, 2022, States must verify that:
 - CDL applicants (drivers) have successfully completed the required training, from a registered training provider
- This must be verified prior to administering relevant skills or knowledge tests

For complete State requirements see:

- Part 383—Commercial Driver’s License Standards; Requirements and Penalties
 - § 383.71 Driver application and certification procedures
 - § 383.73 State procedures
- Part 384—State Compliance with Commercial Driver’s License Program
 - § 384.230 Entry-level driver certification
 - § 384.235 Entry-level driver training provider notification
 - § 384.301 Substantial compliance—general requirements

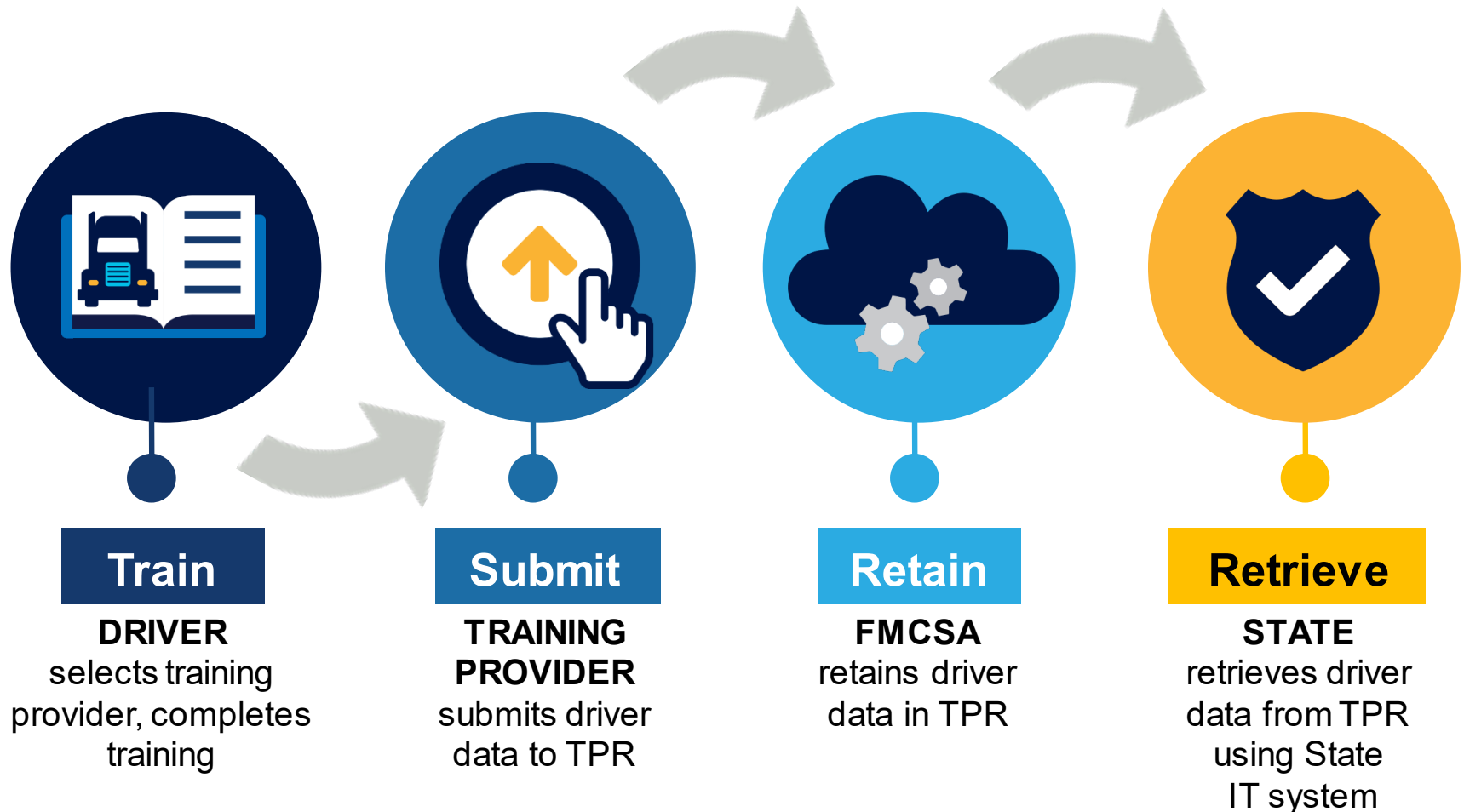


Countdown to ELDT

What should States do now to prepare for February 7, 2022?

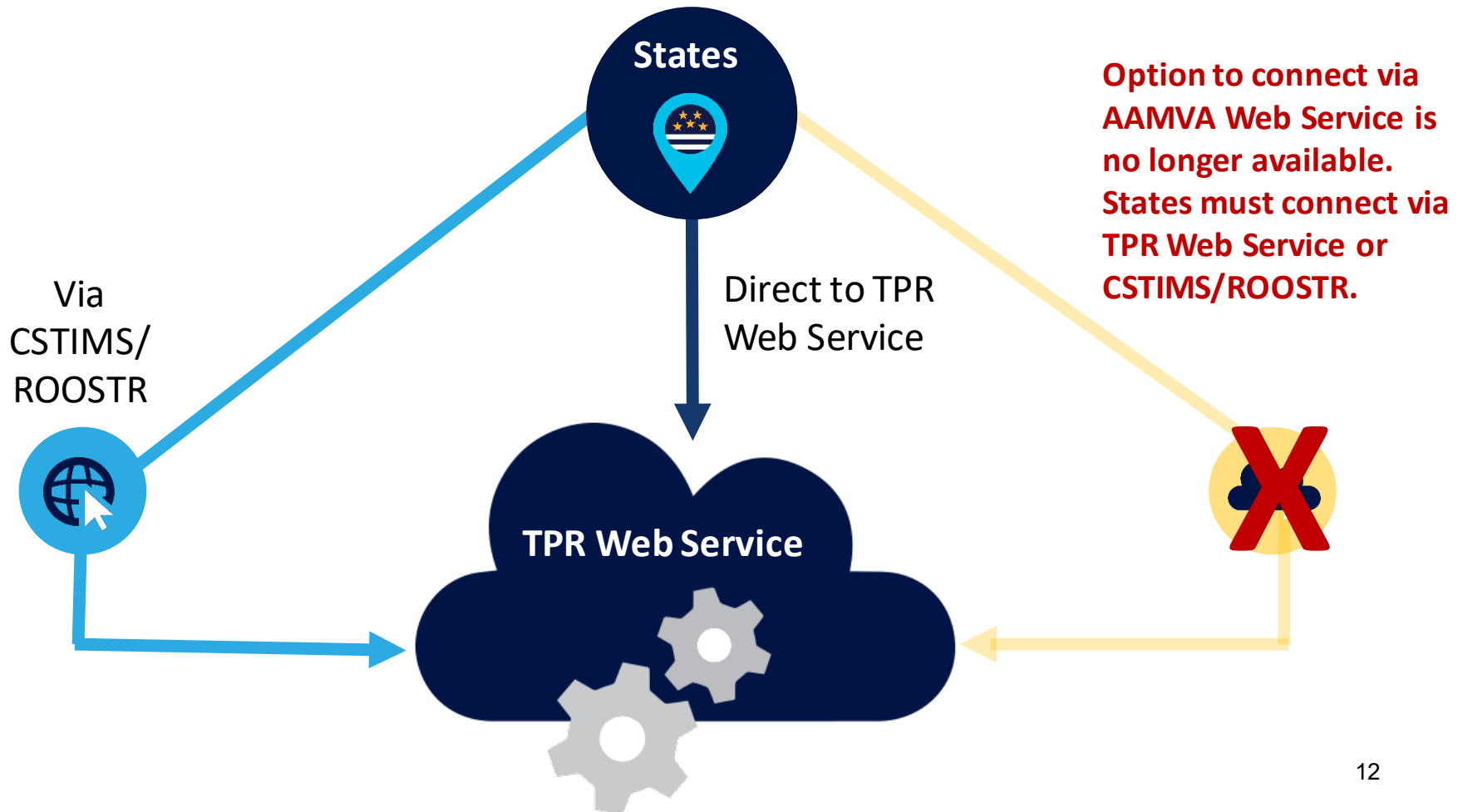
- Explore options for which IT solution you will use to retrieve data from the Training Provider Registry
- Obtain legislative authority to enforce ELDT regulations in your State
- Begin planning to inform and train all skills examiners, including third-party examiners

How will States verify driver certification?



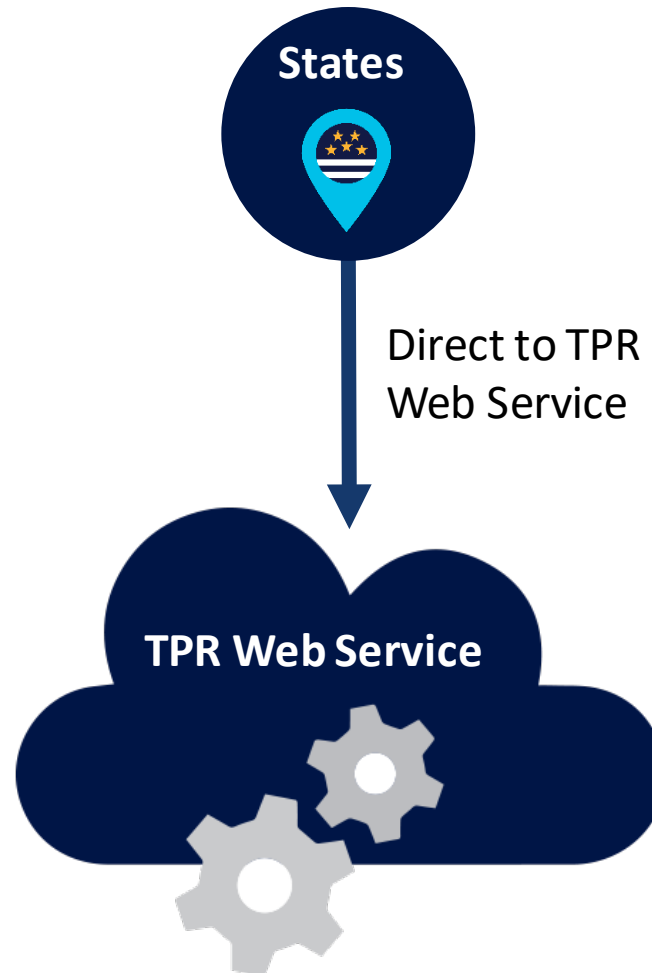
Interfacing with the Training Provider Registry

Two different connection paths are available:



Update: Web Service Testing

Web Services Testing applies to “direct to TPR Web Service” option



Coming Soon: Testing

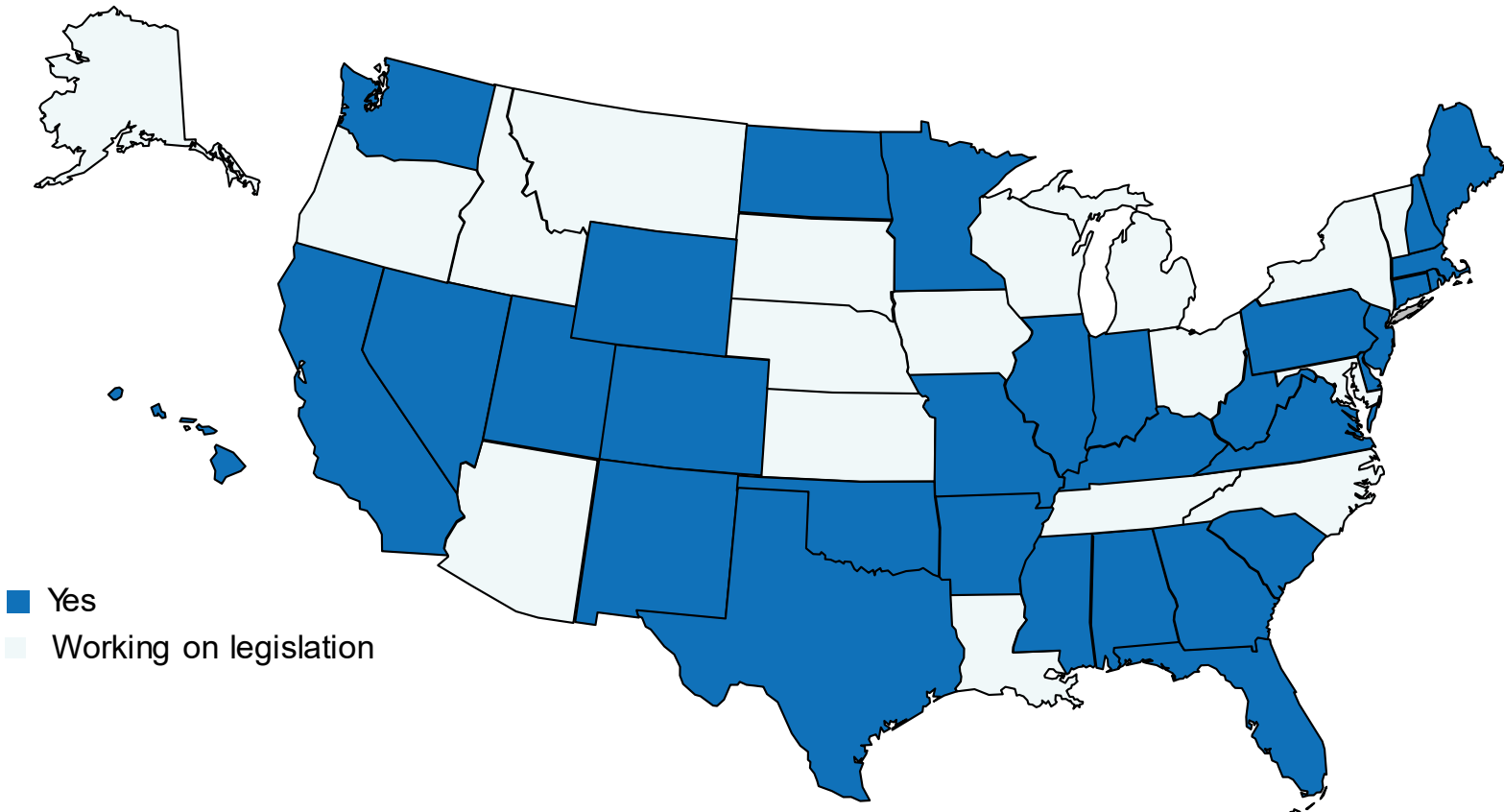
- Test credentials will be provided on the Developer's Toolkit page of the TPR website
 - States will not need to register with the TPR to perform system integration testing, though registration will be required to receive non-test credentials. Registration is scheduled to open in summer 2021.
- Users will be able to use these test credentials to submit test requests to the real service endpoints and receive simulated responses
- Testing services are scheduled to be available by winter 2020



Legislative Authority

State Legislation Tracking Map

Has the State obtained legislative authority?



As of 12/2/2020

State Report-Out

- What have you done so far?
- What do you plan to do next?
- What obstacles/roadblocks do you anticipate?



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Connectivity



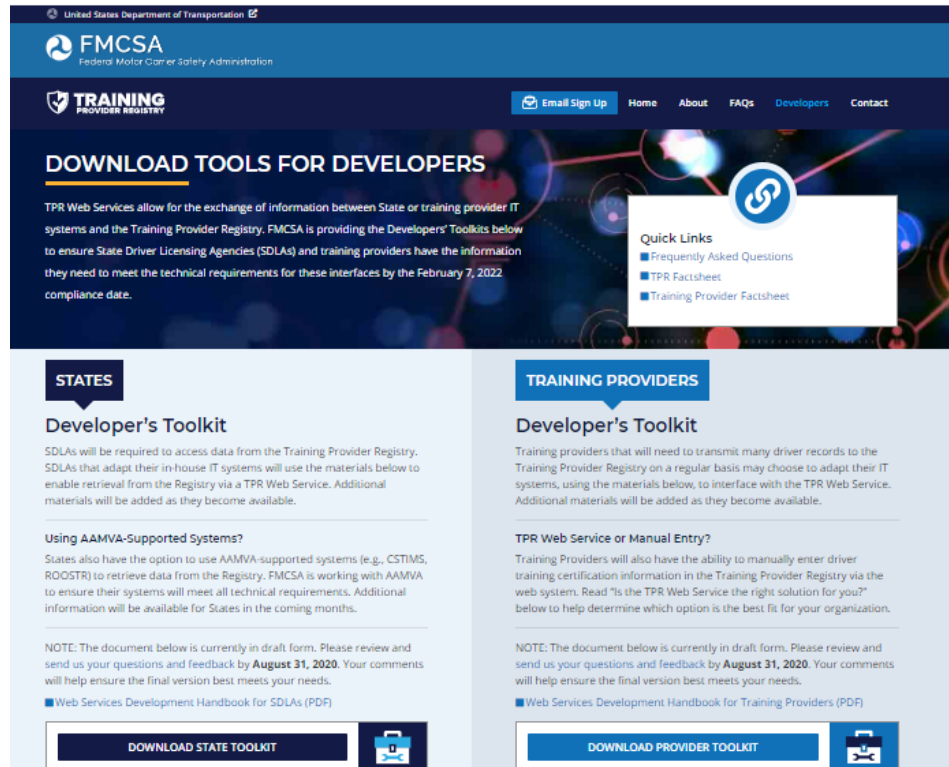
Legislative
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Q&A



Resources & Support Available to States

- Training Provider Registry Developer's Toolkit (<https://tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov/DeveloperToolkit>)
 - Web Services Development Handbook for SDLAs
- Testing support
- Access to Registry developers for questions and troubleshooting



The screenshot shows the FMCSA Training Provider Registry Developer's Toolkit page. The page header includes the FMCSA logo and navigation links: Email Sign Up, Home, About, FAQs, Developers, and Contact. The main heading is "DOWNLOAD TOOLS FOR DEVELOPERS". Below this, there is a paragraph explaining that TPR Web Services allow for the exchange of information between State or training provider IT systems and the Training Provider Registry. A "Quick Links" box contains links to Frequently Asked Questions, TPR Factsheet, and Training Provider Factsheet. The page is divided into two columns: "STATES" and "TRAINING PROVIDERS". Each column has a "Developer's Toolkit" section with a description and a "DOWNLOAD STATE TOOLKIT" or "DOWNLOAD PROVIDER TOOLKIT" button. A note at the bottom of each section states that the document is currently in draft form and requests feedback by August 31, 2020.

STATES

Developer's Toolkit

SDLAs will be required to access data from the Training Provider Registry. SDLAs that adapt their in-house IT systems will use the materials below to enable retrieval from the Registry via a TPR Web Service. Additional materials will be added as they become available.

Using AAMVA-Supported Systems?

States also have the option to use AAMVA-supported systems (e.g., CSTIMS, ROOSTR) to retrieve data from the Registry. FMCSA is working with AAMVA to ensure their systems will meet all technical requirements. Additional information will be available for States in the coming months.

NOTE: The document below is currently in draft form. Please review and send us your questions and feedback by **August 31, 2020**. Your comments will help ensure the final version best meets your needs.

- Web Services Development Handbook for SDLAs (PDF)

[DOWNLOAD STATE TOOLKIT](#)

TRAINING PROVIDERS

Developer's Toolkit

Training providers that will need to transmit many driver records to the Training Provider Registry on a regular basis may choose to adapt their IT systems, using the materials below, to interface with the TPR Web Service. Additional materials will be added as they become available.

TPR Web Service or Manual Entry?

Training Providers will also have the ability to manually enter driver training certification information in the Training Provider Registry via the web system. Read "Is the TPR Web Service the right solution for you?" below to help determine which option is the best fit for your organization.

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Where can I get additional details about the rule?



To learn more about ELDT and the Training Provider Registry, visit:

<https://tpr.fmcsa.dot.gov>



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