



# Broome County Health Department

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Dear Traffic Safety Partner:

The New York State Governor's Traffic Safety Committee and the Broome County Health Department in partnership with the Broome County Sheriff's Office are pleased to announce the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration's "National Child Passenger Safety Certification Training Course" will be offered in your area. The course will be held at the Broome County Sheriff's Office, 155 Lt. Van Winkle Drive, Binghamton on April 17<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> from 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

This course is intended to provide students with a basic level of understanding in the challenging field of child passenger safety (CPS). The curriculum is based on the guiding principles of "Learn, Practice, Explain" so that upon successful completion, the Technician Candidate will be able to explain installation procedures to parents and caregivers and help them to safely transport their child based on the child's age, weight, height, physical development, and needs.

To become certified as a CPS Technician, Technician Candidates must register for this course online, pay the course fee and attend the **entire** course, which includes participating in class discussions and hands-on activities, passing all skills evaluations and open-book quizzes and attending the checkup event.

The course fee is \$75, payable to Safe Kids Worldwide. To register for the course, go to [www.cpsboard.org](http://www.cpsboard.org), click on "Class Registration & CPS Certification," then "Find a Course," "New Signup," select Course ID **NY2012011050** and complete the registration process. Payment must be made online at the time of registration with a VISA, MasterCard or American Express credit card. If you cannot access the online registration system, you may register by phone at (877) 366-8154. To confirm your online registration, write your Safe Kids course registration number on the attached CPS Program Commitment Agreement, sign it and mail or fax it to the Course Administrator listed below.

Upon successful completion of the course, new technicians will receive a two-year national certification through Safe Kids Worldwide. Technicians will be expected to follow the mandates set forth in the "New York State CPS Standards of Performance," which can be viewed at <http://www.safenyny.gov/CPS/cps-standards.htm>.

Students should dress comfortably. Activities will take place in the classroom and outside in vehicles regardless of the weather. Should you have any questions about the class, the certification process or travel logistics, I strongly recommend you contact me at the information below for further assistance.

Sincerely,

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