FMCSA - Expanded PRISM Program

Standard PRISM Program

- Standard PRISM Program is for tracking safety status of:
  - IRP vehicles <u>over</u> 26,000 lbs. GVW
  - IRP vehicles with 3 or more axles (regardless of weight)

- Does not include Non-IRP or Intrastate Vehicles

- 36 States & D.C. currently in production with the Standard PRISM program

Expanded PRISM Program

- Expanded PRISM Program is for tracking safety status of Non-IRP vehicles <u>below</u> 26,000 lbs. GVW

- Includes Non-IRP Interstate and Intrastate vehicles

Vehicle Type	Weight Range
Interstate (Non-IRP)	10,000 lbs. – 26,000 lbs. GVW
Intrastate	10,000 lbs. – 80,000 lbs. GVW

Importance of Expanded PRISM

- Over the past 2 years, several motor coach companies have been involved in fatal accidents

- Buses and smaller trucks need to be monitored just as other large commercial vehicles

- Provides the ability to track safety status of vehicles transporting people (i.e. tour buses, limos, etc)

Importance of Expanded PRISM - Examples

- **Texas bus crash in 2008 kills 24 people**
  - Bus was operating illegally and was not in compliance with safety standards
  - Angel Tours Bus should not have been in operation

- **Arizona Bus Crash in 2010 kills 6 people**
  - Bus was operating with no legal authority for 11 months prior to crash – also had a history of safety violations
  - Tierra Santa Inc. should not have been in operation

Expanded PRISM – Intrastate OOS

- Ability to set Intrastate OOS flag on Intrastate carriers with crucial safety problems

- State enforcement users can set the Intrastate OOS flag directly in MCMIS thru the FMCSA Portal

- MCSIP Step 59 = Intrastate OOS
  - to be used by States with Expanded PRISM
  - will be included in PRISM Target File

Expanded PRISM Funding & Costs

- PRISM Funding is available for States interested in an Expanded PRISM Program

- The costs associated are higher than the standard PRISM program, since many "Legacy" systems need to be modified (not just the IRP system)

Expanded PRISM in Production

- Alaska was first State to develop an Expanded PRISM program and is currently in production

- Washington State is also currently in production

- Georgia is developing Implementation Plan

How to Start?

- Contact the PRISM team

- Review the *Expanded PRISM Implementation Guidelines*

- PRISM team will provide on-site training session and help develop the Implementation Plan

- Must already be a fully implemented PRISM State "Level 3 - Green" in the Standard PRISM Program