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Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) Technical Assistance Center (TAC) Overview

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Office of Transit Safety and Oversight

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Webinar Overview



- PTASP TAC components:
 - Community of Practice
 - Resource Library
 - One-on-One Technical Assistance
 - Onsite Technical Assistance
- Community engagement and what to expect in the near future

Overview



- **Now open!**
 - TAC launched on October 14, 2019
- **PTASP TAC Goal:**
 - Provide comprehensive technical assistance to help the transit industry meet Public Transportation Agency Safety Plan (PTASP) regulation requirements at 49 C.F.R. Part 673
- **Who is it for?**
 - Bus and rail transit providers, large and small
 - State Departments of Transportation (DOTs)
 - State Safety Oversight Agencies (SSOAs)

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PTASP TAC Components

Community of Practice



- Online discussion forums to ask questions, share ideas and documents, and engage with posts
- Quick sign-up process to post
- Optional alerts when others post

Resource Library



- Voluntary technical assistance materials organized by agency type
- Hosted on FTA's website
- Updated with new materials, based on industry needs

One-on-One Technical Assistance



- Agency Safety Plan (ASP) reviews
- Help desk to answer questions and schedule assistance
 - Staffed 9am-8pm ET, M-F, with a dedicated phone number, email and mailing address

Onsite Technical Assistance



- Onsite training
- Targeted onsite assistance
- Prioritized based on agency type, ASP development status, and identified needs

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Community of Practice



Peer-to-peer sharing

- Provides an opportunity to ask questions and request resources directly from agencies with similar characteristics or those facing similar issues/challenges.

How it works

- Post a question, comment, or idea, or offer or request a resource.
- Posts are moderated by FTA during business hours.
- Feel free to review “threads”— questions, comments, or ideas that others have posted.

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PTASP Community of Practice

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Have a question? Have a suggestion? Share it with us. Come join the discussion.

Choose the forum that best matches your role.

PTASP Technical Assistance Forum

For transit industry stakeholders required to draft and certify an Agency Safety Plan and/or implement a Safety Management System.

State Safety Oversight PTASP Forum

For State Safety Oversight Agencies required to review, approve, oversee and enforce rail transit providers' Agency Safety Plans.

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Related Links

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- [Transit Safety & Oversight](#)

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PTASP Technical Assistance Forum

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This forum offers peer-to-peer sharing of effective practices to support you in developing an Agency Safety Plan and implementing a Safety Management System. It also provides an opportunity for you to ask questions and request and share resources with the transit community.

How it works:

- Post a question, comment, or idea, or offer or request a resource.
- Check out questions, comments, or ideas others have suggested and vote on your favorites.
- Please include one question, comment, or suggestion per post to help us keep the forum organized.

Thanks for joining our community and working to support PTASP implementation.

Do you have a PTASP question or suggestion?

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In a multimodal system with rail and bus, can the Chief Safety Officer oversee safety for BOTH rail and bus?

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All ideas

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Applicability

Certification

Documentation

FTA Oversight

PTASP Development

Rail Transit Agencies

Safety Assurance

Safety Management Policy

Safety Performance Targets

Safety Promotion

Safety Risk Management

State DOTs and Small Transit Providers

other/none

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SPT Best Practices



Safety Performance Targets




How should I develop Safety Performance Targets for my initial draft Agency Safety Plan?

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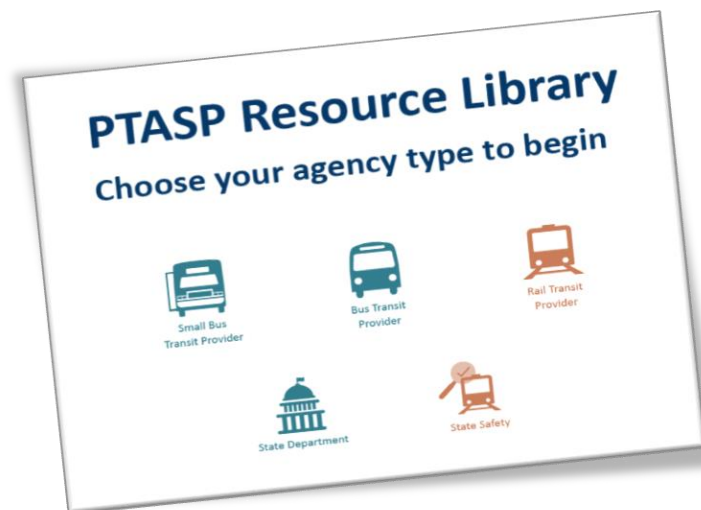
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Resource Library



- Centralized location for voluntary technical assistance resources
- Organized by agency type and topic category
 - Categories align with PTASP requirements at 49 C.F.R. Part 673
- Updated resources include:
 - Factsheets
 - Materials from FTA's recent workshops
 - Tools and checklists
 - Training
 - Peer materials and examples

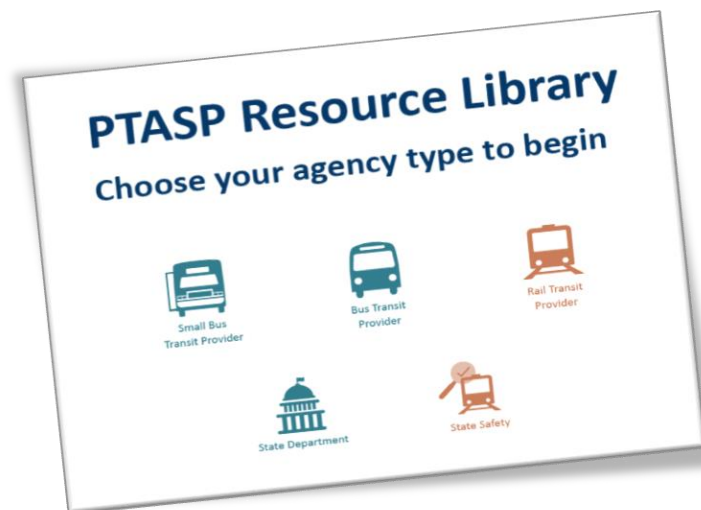




Resource Library (cont'd.)



- Helps users address PTASP requirements and Safety Management System (SMS) implementation
- Continuously updated to include new resources, peer materials, and FAQs



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FTA developed a host of materials to help rail transit providers develop Agency Safety Plans. [Sign up for PTASP updates](#) to be notified when we add new resources.

- [Applicability](#)
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- [Safety Risk Management](#)
- [Safety Assurance](#)
- [Safety Promotion](#)

Applicability

- [PTASP Applicability Infographic](#)

Plan Development

Fact Sheets

- [PTASP Final Rule Fact Sheet](#)
- [PTASP Next Steps Fact Sheet](#)



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- [PTASP Regulation](#)
- [State DOTs Resource Library](#)
- [Small Bus Transit Providers Resource Library](#)
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One-on-One Technical Assistance

Agencies/State DOTs can call or email to...

- Ask a question directly to FTA
- Schedule a call with PTASP subject matter experts (SMEs)
- Request and schedule a review of your draft ASP



**Help Desk
Office Hours**
Monday-Friday
9:00am to 8:00pm
Eastern

Objectives

- Rapid response to effectively support transit agencies, State DOTs, and SSOAs
- Prompt scheduling of ASP reviews
- Accurate, consistent information and application of Bus and/or Rail ASP Checklists



Onsite Technical Assistance

- FTA prioritizes and schedules onsite visits to support ASP development on an as needed basis.
- Scope, methodology, schedule, and other details of an onsite visit will vary depending on specific circumstances
- Can include:
 - Preparatory document reviews and virtual meetings
 - Onsite briefings and meetings
 - Training



What to Expect



- Survey
 - First PTASP Implementation Status Survey
 - Analysis of the responses help shape the TAC
 - FTA will review and update resources in the TAC resource library, and adjust technical assistance, as needed.
 - Link to survey information: www.transit.dot.gov/regulations-and-guidance/safety/public-transportation-agency-safety-program/ptasp-safety-stakeholder

What to Expect



- Webinars
 - FTA will continue to develop and host webinars, based on industry needs and concerns identified through the TAC forums, survey, and engagement.
 - Upcoming webinars:
 - PTASP Refresher Webinar
Tuesday, October 29 at 2:00 PM ET
Registration is required to join the webinar.
https://connectdot.connectsolutions.com/ptasprefresh/event/event_info.html
 - PTASP Agency Highlights
Thursday, November 21 at 2:00 PM ET
Registration is required to join the webinar.
https://connectdot.connectsolutions.com/ptasp1121/event/event_info.html

Questions?



Resources

Technical Assistance Center

- www.transit.dot.gov/PTASP-TAC

PTASP Community of Practice

- www.transit.dot.gov/PTASP-COP

Frequently Asked Questions

- www.transit.dot.gov/PTASP-FAQs

PTASP Safety Stakeholder Survey

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