

Safe Travel for Children



Motor vehicle crashes remain the number one cause of death for those age 5 through 34. On August 23 and 24, 2011, the Interim LSU Level 1 Trauma Center hosted a national training - Safe Travel for All Children: Transporting Children with Special Needs. During the 2 day training, certified technicians were educated on the proper child restraint selection and installation for those children requiring additional needs to ride safely while traveling. The practicum included child seat fit and selection for 6 families.



Child placed in a seat that accommodates a higher weight and height. The seat is adjusted for the proper width to aid in trunk control and the use of the cap prevents the head from falling forward.



Addressed proper wheelchair and tie downs in vehicle.



From consult to proper seat placement



After trying 3 seats, we found the correct fit for the vehicle and child. The seat is larger and has a pommel between the legs.



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