

IACP DRE Technical Advisory Panel (TAP) Goals

Short-Range Goals:

Make TAP findings and decisions available to DEC Program state coordinators and drug recognition experts (DREs) internationally in an effective and timely manner.

Implement methods to improve on notifications of regional meetings, training, and new SFST/DRE procedures.

Determine the extent to which courts are accepting horizontal gaze nystagmus (HGN) and the areas where there is the least acceptance, and target those areas for technical assistance.

Long-Range Goals:

Develop an informational and updated training program/package regarding new drugs and drug trends.

Assist jurisdictions in developing funding sources for DREs to attend the IACP's Annual Training Conference on Drugs, Alcohol and Impairing Driving and regional recertification and update seminars.

Develop and maintain a national DEC Program Web site posting DRE/SFST news, TAP meeting information and DRE Section meeting minutes.

Assist in the development and coordination of SFST/DRE-related research, information, and funding support for activities.

Achieve recognition of the IACP/NHTSA SFST/DRE programs by the POST agencies in all the states.

Support state, provincial, and regional DRE training programs, recertification and sustainability.

Communicate and support the need to include DRE and SFST in state program assessments on impaired driving.

Promote using DRE, DITEP and SFST in training for prosecutors, judges, basic training for law enforcement, motor carrier enforcement, and hearing officers.