Frequently Asked Questions
Module 10
Booster Seats and Seat Belts

What is an example of Good, Better, Best for Booster Seat Use?

- **Good:** The child who meets the age, weight and height requirements for both booster seat use and harness use of their forward-facing car seat is moved to a booster seat when the minimum age, weight and height requirements for that booster seat are met.

- **Better:** The child who meets the age, weight and height requirements for both booster seat use and harness use of their forward-facing car seat is moved to a booster seat beyond the minimum age, weight and height requirements for that booster seat.

- **Best:** The child who meets the age, weight and height requirements for both booster seat use and harness use of their forward-facing car seat uses the forward-facing car seat with a harness until reaching the maximum weight or height limit allowed by the car seat manufacturer and then is moved to a booster seat.

Clarification of Booster Seat Use DISCUSS Point

The word “not” was inadvertently omitted from the DISCUSS point on Instructor Guide page 10-28: “For a seat belt to be properly positioned on the child in the booster seat, the child’s ears should **NOT** be above the back of the vehicle seat (in a backless booster seat) or top of the head restraint (in a high back booster seat).” The supporting information on Technician Guide page 10-9 is correct: “The top of child’s ears should not be above the back of the vehicle seat or the top of the booster seat’s head restraint.”

Clarification on LPE: Explain - Booster Seat Conversions

For the LPE: Explain – Booster Seat Conversions (Instructor Guide page 10-36, Technician Guide page 10-12 and PowerPoint slide 10-19), follow the directions in the Instructor Guide directing the students to take turns converting the combination car seat to the booster mode and back. Then have the students convert a high back booster to a backless booster. This should be a hands-on activity.

DISCUSS Point for Step 5: Secure

Add the following as a DISCUSS point on Instructor Guide page 10-40 to support Booster Seat Use Step 5: Secure:

- When using a lap-and-shoulder belt with a switchable retractor with a booster seat, check both the car seat instruction manual and vehicle owner’s manual to determine if it is allowable to lock the retractor in the automatic locking retractor (ALR) mode.