



Commercial Vehicle Safety Alliance

Improving commercial motor vehicle safety and enforcement

Hair/Oral Fluid Testing

CVSA supports allowing motor carriers to use hair/oral fluid testing in place of urinalysis.

- In addition, these test results should be included in FMCSA's Drug and Alcohol Clearinghouse.

CVSA supports allowing motor carriers to use hair/oral fluid testing in place of urinalysis. Hair/oral fluid drug testing has been proven to be more effective in determining drug use than urinalysis. However, motor carriers are currently required to conduct drug tests on drivers using urinalysis. Some motor carriers voluntarily use the more rigorous hair/oral fluid testing but still must conduct duplicative urinalysis tests to meet the regulatory requirements. This change would remove the financial burden of having to duplicate tests to participate in a more rigorous testing procedure. This would also increase the number of motor carriers that would be able to conduct hair/oral fluid tests, which would assist in identifying more drivers who use drugs and as a result, improve safety.