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International Auto Glass Safety (AGRSS) Conference Meets Success in Chicago, Ill.

The sixth annual International Auto Glass Safety (AGRSS) Conference garnered rave reviews from attendees. The event was held October 27-28 in Chicago, Ill.

“It’s always good to see a group of attendees who care about safety come together to learn more about the auto glass industry and auto safety,” says Debra Levy, volunteer president of the Auto Glass Replacement Safety Standards Council Inc.

Attendees heard from several safety group representatives, including Jill Braselton with Safe Kids USA, a group dedicated to child seat safety, and automotive safety design expert Ben Kelley of the Center for Auto Safety. In addition, participants received tips for preparing for a third-party validation, marketing AGRSS in their businesses and an inside look at the third-party validations that have been conducted so far.

On the second day of the conference, several insurance agents were on-hand to participate in an AGRSS insurance/consumer awareness program. Insurance agents earned CE credits for the sessions, and auto glass company representatives were able to see what goes into a consumer awareness program, how a CE course is conducted, and network with agents from across the Midwest region.

This year’s conference was held at the Drury Lane Conference Center in Oakbrook Terrace, a suburb of the Windy City.

Planning for next year already is underway. The 2011 International Auto Glass Safety (AGRSS) Conference will be held as part of Auto Glass Week™ in Memphis, Tenn., September 15-17.

The Auto Glass Replacement Safety Standards (AGRSS) Council Inc. is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to the safe replacement of auto glass. AGRSS was founded and is supported by companies in the auto glass replacement industry that keep safe installation as their primary goal. The Council is also accredited by the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) – a standard development organization – and has developed North America’s only auto glass replacement standard, the AGRSS Standard (ANSI/AGRSS 002-2002). The AGRSS Standard addresses procedures, education and product performance for the proper replacement of auto glass.

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