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Driver Evaluation Program



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The Driver Evaluation Program is:

- Comprehensive
- Based on clients' needs
- Evidence-based


Your doctor may want you to attend the Program if you are having health troubles that could affect your driving. This may be anything that affects your movement, memory or thinking skills. This may include:

- Dementia
- An amputated limb
- Mental health conditions
- Brain injury or stroke
- Neurological conditions such as
 - › Spinal cord injury
 - › Parkinson's Disease
 - › Multiple sclerosis
 - › Cerebral palsy

We accept drivers of any age.

Our team

- Occupational Therapists who have:
 - › training in driver evaluation
 - › completed the Certified Driver Rehabilitation Specialist Examination (CDRS)
- Certified Driving Instructor



There are two parts to the Program assessment: a clinical evaluation and an on-road driving evaluation.

Every evaluation includes:

Part 1: Clinical evaluation

- Physical assessment
- Visual and thinking skills screening
- Assessment for special driving equipment
- Trial on a driving simulator, if appropriate

Part 2: On-road driving evaluation


- Driving routes are suitable for city or rural drivers
- Trial of adaptive driving equipment, if needed, such as:
 - › hand controls
 - › left foot gas pedal
 - › steering aids
- Takes place in a dual-brake vehicle

We will go over the results of your evaluation with you. We will also give a copy to your doctor. We will work with you to make an action plan and support you in working through the next steps.

How do I register for the program?

- Your doctor must refer you.
- The referral form is on the web: www.nshealth.ca/service-details (look for Driver Evaluation Program).

Is there a cost?

- There is a cost. The Program is not covered by government health insurance.
 - Private insurance options may be available.
 - Our funding coordinator may be able to help you with payment options.
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“Driving...a human function of daily activities and community participation”

World Health Organization, 2002

Contact us

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Please ask.
We are here to help you.

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