

McLean Outpatient Rehabilitation would like to welcome you to the Driver Rehabilitation Program. Many people may be concerned about the process. I hope the information below will make you comfortable with the experience.

My role is to evaluate your ability to drive. I am an Occupational Therapist and a Driver Rehab Specialist. My goal is to promote independence and safety.

Many people who are referred to the program anticipate that it will be a test and they believe it is best to practice ahead of time. If you have experienced an injury or illness that has prevented your resumption of driving, you are asked NOT to practice before your appointment. The purpose of the evaluation is to provide a safe opportunity for you to drive again. I will evaluate your ability to drive using a specially equipped vehicle with a passenger-side brake. We take into consideration that an individual may not have driven for a long period of time and that they will be asked to drive an unfamiliar vehicle.

Please complete a consent form for signature, and a medical history form both of which need to be returned to me as soon as possible. Please obtain a prescription from your physician for a driving assessment. This order is only valid for a 30-day period. Your physician may fax this to us at (860) 658-3764 or mail to McLean Driving Program, Attention: Susan Adamowicz, 75 Great Pond Road, Simsbury, CT 06070.

After the forms are returned and we receive your physician's order, we will contact you to set up an appointment. We schedule appointments on most weekdays. Bring your driver's license and any glasses you wear. Please feel free to invite a family member or friend to observe the assessment.

Payment is required at the time of the appointment in the form of either <u>cash or check</u>. You may enclose a check for \$595 with the forms you are returning to us or pay at McLean prior to your evaluation.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at (860) 658-3745.

Susan Adamowicz, OTR/L, DRS