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DUI or Dementia: Older Driver Medical Impairments

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Outline and Objectives

Section 1:

Health Status and Driving

- How age-related changes in health and functional status impair driving ability and increase crash risk

Section 2:

Roadside Assessment and Referral for Re-examination

- Approaches to identifying impairment in older drivers
- Enforcement actions for documenting suspected impairment

Section 3:

Resources for Older Drivers

- Education and skills assessment to prolong mobility

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Health Status and Driving

- Older Adult Demographics and Characteristics
- Medical Conditions and Medications
- Driver Orientation Screen for Cognitive Impairment (DOSCI)
 - A validated tool for use by Law Enforcement at roadside to assess drivers for orientation to person, place and time



Roadside Assessment and Referral for Re-examination

- Traffic Trends and Common Driving Errors
- Vehicle Observations
- Demonstration of DOSCI Tool during a Traffic Stop
- Importance of Re-exam Referrals
- Communication Strategies



Resources

- Older Driver Websites
- Evaluation of Driving Fitness
- Driver Improvement Training
