

## Scheduling

Evaluations are scheduled individually by appointment, Monday through Friday. To schedule an appointment, or for more information, please call 972.420.1775.

## Lewisville Rehabilitation Center Referral Form

### Occupational Therapy

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Diagnosis: \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluate and Treat as necessary

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Other \_\_\_\_\_

Return to Physician: \_\_\_\_\_

Appointment: \_\_\_\_\_

This service is medically necessary.

Physician's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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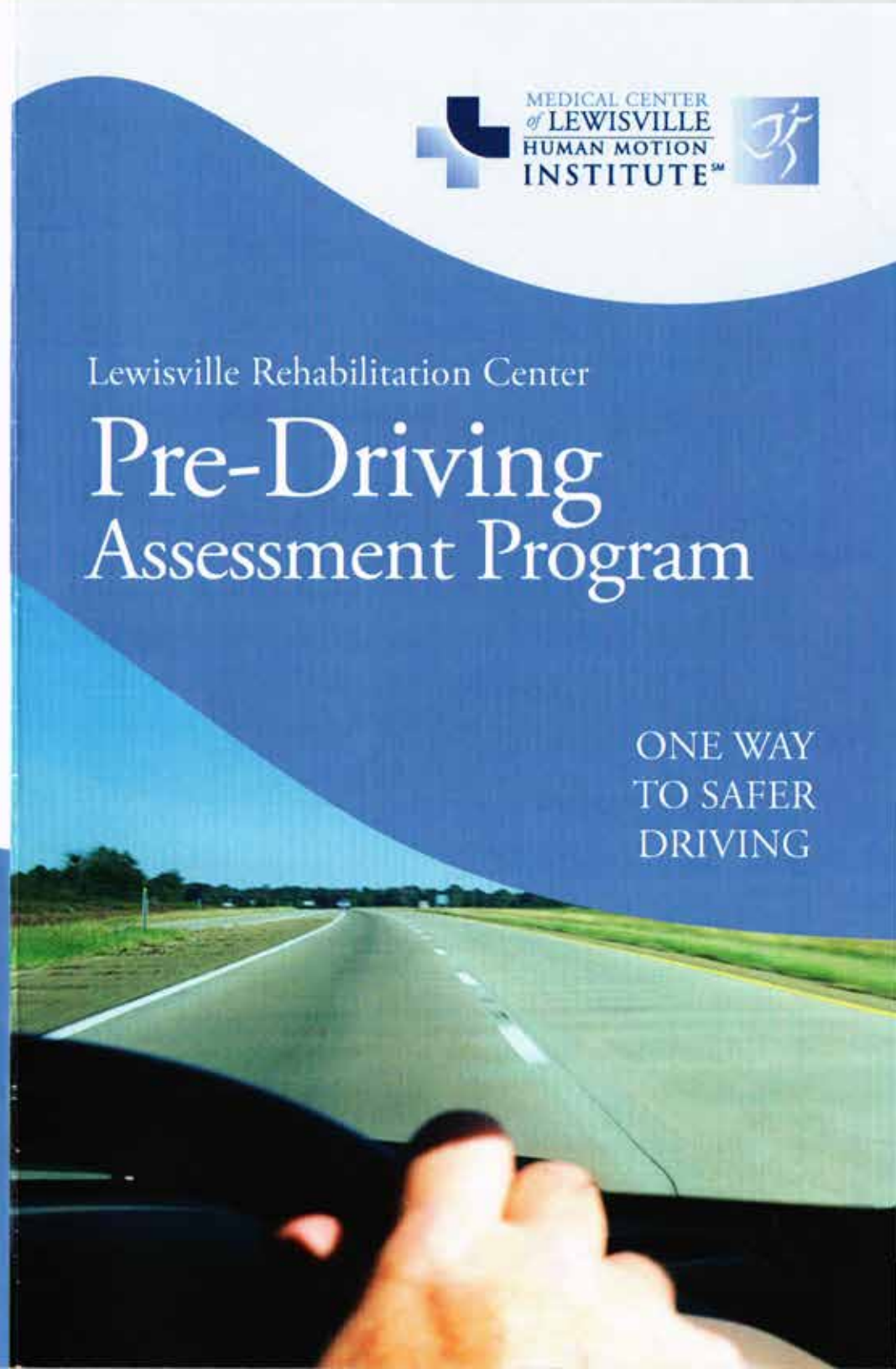
# Pre-Driving Assessment Program

ONE WAY  
TO SAFER  
DRIVING

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## Pre-Driving Assessment Program

Part of independent living is the ability to get around on your own. Generally this means being able to drive, and this can be a challenge to some older adults and people with disabilities.

*If you want to keep driving,  
let us help!*



## Evaluation & Special Driving Instruction For People With Disabilities

### These disabilities can include:

1. Head Injuries
2. Spinal Cord Injuries
3. Stroke
4. Neurological Disease or Problems
5. Amputation
6. Arthritis and/or older adults who experience sensory/motor changes
7. Orthopedic Injuries

The pre-driving assessment program is designed to give physicians more information so that an objective decision may be determined regarding the patient's driving safety.

### The evaluation includes assessment of:

1. Physical Capabilities
2. Cognitive Abilities
3. Perceptual Motor Abilities
4. Reaction Time
5. Visual Skills
6. Night and Glare Vision
7. Decision-making
8. Risk-taking
9. Strength
10. Functional Mobility
11. Need for automobile modifications

The evaluation will take approximately 2 hours to complete. To participate, clients need a physician's order and a valid driver's license or learner's permit.



Senior Citizens  
are also eligible for  
driving assessments.

## Assessment

Our staff will assess the clients' physical needs and knowledge of driving to determine their potential to drive.

- An in-clinic evaluation helps us determine visual perception, reaction time, strength, transfer skills and coordination.
- If a "behind the wheel" assessment is recommended we can make a referral to a qualified facility or Department of Public Safety.

A written report on the evaluation is sent to the referring physician, along with the occupational therapist's recommendations. The physician can then objectively evaluate the data and make recommendations to the client.

If training or specialized therapy is recommended, the physician can give these additional orders.

## Training

Depending on our evaluation recommendations, Occupational Therapy could be indicated for cognitive or visual retraining.

All training is highly individualized, so that the instructor may deal specifically with each individual's needs. The pre-driving training program covers aspects of safe driving in the clinic, not in the vehicle.

- A review of safe driving procedures and maneuvers
- How to increase the individual's endurance in traffic situations
- How to select appropriate adaptive equipment
- Emergency procedures and defensive driving

## Staff

The Pre-Driving Assessment program is staffed by occupational therapists, who have received specialized training to assess individuals with disabilities and provide treatment to help reduce deficits, which can affect driving.

## Cost

Fees for the Pre-Driving Assessment Program follow similar rates as other services provided by Occupational Therapy. If therapy is recommended, the length of the program will depend entirely on the individual client's disabilities and needs.