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PROGRAM FACT SHEET

Driving is the key to independence, employment, and mobility. For 45 years, DriveOn driver rehabilitation services, a program of Rochester Rehabilitation, has operated its premier driving school in Upstate New York. DriveOn helps people of all ages and abilities to drive safely and with confidence.

DriveOn serves a diverse population of people 16 years of age and older with a variety of disabilities, health conditions, and other unique needs, who are referred for driver evaluation, training, and equipment and vehicle recommendations. Staff members have between 4-25 years of experience and are all NYS-certified driving instructors. Senior staff members also have certification with the Association of Driver Rehabilitation Specialists (ADED).

SERVICE DESCRIPTIONS

Driver Evaluation determines a person's ability to drive a vehicle safely with or without adaptive equipment, and involves a comprehensive clinical and behind-the-wheel assessment. It is most often the entry point for services and is most frequently facilitated by physician referral. A Driver Evaluation can determine a new driver's potential to learn to drive or whether an experienced driver is safe to continue to drive. The process also identifies the need for additional driver training.

Driver Training is a knowledge and performance competency-based program tailored to individual needs. Training sessions occur weekly and are highly interactive between instructor and student. While the duration of training is dependent upon the complexity of the student's needs, mastery of adaptive equipment, if needed, may require 5-25 hours to achieve basic proficiency.

Equipment and Vehicle Evaluations assess the needs of the individual and matches with adaptive equipment or vehicle modifications that best enable driving, or the ability to ride as a safe passenger. The Driver Rehabilitation Specialist will make recommendations to design the vehicle to meet the driver or passenger's needs to ensure maximum independence capability. An Evaluation may include adaptive driving aids, hoists and lifts for wheelchairs and scooters, and transfer assistance devices.

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