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Driving Evaluation, Education & Research Center

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DID YOU KNOW?

Drivers 85-years and older are the fastest growing age group as a percentage of Michigan's population and have the highest rate of fatal crashes of any age group, including teenagers.

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The mission of the CMU Center for Driving Evaluation, Education, and Research is to provide clinical services to evaluate cognitive fitness to drive, provide education to improve older driver safety, and to conduct research on older drivers and drivers with attention disorders. The long term objective of the Center is to increase driving safety in Michigan by reducing the number of fatal crashes involving older drivers.

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 Assessment coming in Spring 2008!

The technologies available through CMU have been assembled to provide a unique blend of educational, research and clinical applications. The Driving Evaluation, Education and Research Center leverages these technologies to offer valuable teaching and learning opportunities while offering a much needed benefit to the surrounding community.



The following are the four goals of the CMU Driving Evaluation, Education and Research Center:

A key focus of the Center's research revolves around how driver attention changes as people age focusing on adults 65 years of age and older. As the Center continues to grow, future research will focus on adults with attention deficit hyperactivity disorder and other diagnosed attention disorders, as well as elderly subjects suffering from cognitive disorders. The results of this research will provide valuable insights into the ways which these disorders affect their attention while driving, creating the basis for assessment of driving abilities and remediation potential.

1. The Center will be a state-of-the-art facility that will provide clinical assessment and education for older drivers in Central and Northern Michigan to improve driving safety in the State of Michigan.
2. The Center will become a nationally recognized facility for driving research on aging and attention disorders
3. The Center will provide clinical and research opportunities for CMU students and faculty.
4. The Center will establish community/university collaborations and partnerships to improve driving safety in the State of Michigan.

DID YOU KNOW?

Michigan has just passed a law allowing drivers over 50 years of age to receive discount on their car insurance after completing a driver education course.