

2006.00 DRIVER EVALUATION – Provider Guidelines
(CSPM 000.0.00)

2006.01 Description of Service

A Driver Evaluation can be performed only by a Certified Driver Rehabilitation Specialist (CDRS) who either is an Occupational Therapist (OT) or is assisted by an OT. The Driver Evaluation is to determine if a individual can drive an adapted vehicle and to determine the type of adapted driving equipment necessary to drive safely. The therapist’s evaluation shall include a clinical screening of the individual’s vision, cognition, reaction time and physical range of motion of their extremities. The therapist shall evaluate the client’s ability to transfer into the driver seat and determine if specialized seating is required. The Driver Evaluation Report shall report on the above and include a prescription for the adapted driving equipment necessary to drive safely. A prescription from the individual’s attending physician is required to authorize a Driver Evaluation.

2006.02 Provider Information

The Provider is required to provide services on an individualized basis as appropriate for the specific needs of the individual.

A Driver Evaluation for individuals whose vehicles will be equipped with hand-controls or hi-tech driving systems must be evaluated in a vehicle with the adapted equipment that is being prescribed for the individual.

2006.03 Provider Qualifications

- A. For individuals who require an evaluation in a modified vehicle with hand-controls, the Driver Evaluator must have a Certification as a Driver Rehabilitation Specialist (CDRS) as awarded by the Association of Driver Rehabilitation Specialists (ADED) and either be an Occupational Therapist (OT) or be assisted by an OT during the evaluation.
- B. For individuals who require an evaluation in a modified vehicle with hi-tech driving systems, the Driver Evaluator must have Certification as a Driver Rehabilitation Specialist (CDRS) as awarded by the Association of Driver Rehabilitation Specialists (ADED) and a minimum of five (5) years experience with evaluation and training with hi-tech driving systems. The CDRS must be either an OT or assisted by an OT during the evaluation.

Note: Qualifying Documentation - Providers will submit requested documentation to determine if they meet the standards for potential suppliers.

The Provider Relations Specialist, in cooperation with the AWT Engineer, is responsible for determining whether providers meet qualifications.

2006.04 Process for Outsourcing

The Vocational Rehabilitation Counselor (VRC) is responsible for determining when a Driver Evaluation should be purchased, based upon a recommendation from the AWT Engineer.

2006.05 General and Specific Standards

A. Timeliness

The Provider must notify the VRC within five (5) business days regarding whether or not they will accept the client referral.

B. Liability

A Certified Driver Rehabilitation Specialist must provide proof of \$2,000,000 professional liability insurance.

C. Criminal Record Investigation

Providers will be required to show evidence that a criminal record investigation has been requested in accordance with DHS/GVRA policy on all staff that provides direct services to VRP clients.

D. Report

A written report will be required describing the evaluation process, the adapted equipment recommended and results of the evaluation.

E. Fee

Compensation for services is set by Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) Coding System; the length of time needed to complete the services will be negotiated and attached to the contract or service agreement.