



DRIVER REHABILITATION

One of the most highly-regarded programs in Illinois, the Marianjoy Driver Rehabilitation Program has been available for over twenty years with a staff of experienced Occupational Therapists who are Certified Driver Rehabilitation Specialists. Evaluations and training are offered for new drivers as well as experienced drivers. A wide variety of specialized adaptive equipment is available to address the needs of those with motor deficits and visual deficits.

The driver evaluation is designed to provide a comprehensive, objective appraisal of a person's ability to safely drive. The two and one-half hour evaluation consists of two portions. The first is a clinical occupational therapy evaluation which assesses vision, perception, cognition, motor function, and activities of daily living. The second portion of the program is a behind-the-wheel evaluation. The in-vehicle evaluation is conducted in a Marianjoy vehicle as they are safety equipped. The vehicles can also accommodate adaptive equipment as needed for the client. The in-vehicle evaluation is approximately 50 minutes.

At the conclusion of the evaluation, the driver rehabilitation specialist will discuss with the client, and family (as appropriate), recommendations for driving. Questions regarding adaptive equipment, restricted driving, or alternative transportation will also be addressed. The final evaluation report, with recommendations, is sent to the referring physician.

The fee structure for a driver evaluation is as follows:

- The Occupational Therapy Evaluation is covered by most insurance carriers, though it is the responsibility of the client to obtain insurance approval prior to the appointment. The estimated cost of the evaluation is \$248.
- The In-Vehicle evaluation is not covered by insurance and requires payment at the time of service. The cost of the in-vehicle evaluation is \$248 for a car and \$496 if the client requires an adapted van. Credit cards are accepted.

A physician or optometrist referral is necessary. Two separate prescriptions are required. One prescription must state the need for an occupational therapy evaluation and the other prescription must request a driver evaluation.

To schedule a driver evaluation, please call (630) 909-7152. For further information on our program and services call (630) 909-6082 or e-mail Anne Hegberg – ahegberg@marianjoy.org.