



# Instructor Training to Support Elderly Drivers

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# Background

- Older Driver Task Force
- ORUC 2018 a number of presenters indicated that the specific needs of elderly drivers may not have been met
- Road Safety GB applied for a grant to DfT to research the specific needs of older drivers and to develop a training intervention to improve the knowledge of ADIs in this area
- Road Safety GB is seeking to form an advisory group and will be contacting people in the coming weeks

# Why provide instructor training?

- Improved levels of instructor awareness
- Provide a resource for other organisations to use
- Improve the training given to other driver training groups/individuals in relation to improving knowledge and understanding of the issues experienced by elderly:
  - Drivers
  - Riders
  - Pedestrians

# Deliverables

- Training package for Approved Driving Instructors
- Deliver this training to 300 Approved Driving Instructors (ADIs)
- Evaluate the package
- If you are a driving instructor and would like more information, please let us know

# The development process

- Literature review
- Develop training materials and support materials
- Pilot and adjust
- Deliver to ADIs – we will be delivering this at a number of centers

# Literature review

## Areas of interest:

- Hazard perceptions skills
- Eyesight
- Strength and flexibility
- Journey planning
- Planning for driving retirement
- Laws relating to medication, drugs and alcohol
- Vehicle adaptation

# Timeline

- Rest of this year used to develop materials
- Initial pilot in Jan 2020
- Main training events delivered in spring of 2020
- Evaluation results Jan 2021

# Questions