Welcome to Drivers Ed!

The Assessment Team Perspective

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Assessment Team Configuration

• NHTSA selects assessment team members and passes to jurisdiction for approval

• Team members should be national experts in:
  – Program Administration;
  – Education/Training;
  – Instructor Qualification;
  – Parent/Guardian Involvement; and
  – Coordination with Driver Licensing
Assessment Areas

• Individuals to be interviewed should be invited from:
  – MVA Administration
  – MVA Education and Training
  – MVA Driver Education Compliance
  – Trauma/EMS/Health
  – State Highway Safety Office
  – Driver Education Association(s)
  – Highway Safety Advocates
Assessment Areas (cont.)

– Law Enforcement
– Driving Schools – Owners/Public/Private
– Driving Instructor Trainers
– Driving Instructors
– Driving Examiners
– Others as required
– Parents
– Teen Drivers
Sample Assessment Questions

• Are there regulations, policies or procedures for the driver education program?
• Are there professional development requirements for instructors and instructor trainers?
• How is parent involvement encouraged in the driver education program? Has this involvement been measured or evaluated?
• Is there a standardized driver education curriculum?
• Is there a formal system of communication between the entities that deliver driver education and the licensing agency?
Assessment Process

- Identify assessment Team Leader
- Develop sample interview questions
- Days 1 - 2
  - Conduct interviews
  - 45 to 60 minutes per session
  - 3 or less participants per session
  - Short break after each session
  - Team members write individual report sections and develop draft recommendations
Assessment Process (cont.)

- Day 3
  - Assessment team reviews and agrees upon all report sections and recommendations and creates final report
  - Assessment team identifies priority recommendations for jurisdictional report-out

- Day 4
  - Assessment team briefs jurisdiction administration and explains rational for priority recommendations
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Questions?