Dementia and driving retirement: making decisions

Catherine Andrew
*University of Wollongong, cla391@uowmail.edu.au*

Victoria Traynor
*University of Wollongong, vtraynor@uow.edu.au*

Donald Iverson
*University of Wollongong, iverson@uow.edu.au*

Follow this and additional works at: [https://ro.uow.edu.au/hbspapers](https://ro.uow.edu.au/hbspapers)

Recommended Citation
Andrew, Catherine; Traynor, Victoria; and Iverson, Donald: Dementia and driving retirement: making decisions 2010.
https://ro.uow.edu.au/hbspapers/1172

Research Online is the open access institutional repository for the University of Wollongong. For further information contact the UOW Library: research-pubs@uow.edu.au
Dementia and driving retirement: making decisions

Abstract
To identify appropriate elements to include in a decisional support resource which may enhance acceptance of potential driving retirement for drivers with dementia.

Keywords
decisions, dementia, retirement, driving, making

Disciplines
Arts and Humanities | Life Sciences | Medicine and Health Sciences | Social and Behavioral Sciences

Publication Details

This conference paper is available at Research Online: https://ro.uow.edu.au/hbspapers/1172
Dementia and Driving Retirement: Making Decisions

Authors: Catherine Aspray, Associate Professor Victoria Traynor, and Prof. Mark Conner.
Contact: Catherine Aspray, Research Student, Faculty of Health and Behavioural Sciences, University of Wollongong, Wollongong, NSW 2522.
Email: catherine.aspray@uow.edu.au. Telephone 02 4221 9097

Research Aim
To identify appropriate elements to include in a decisional support resource which may enhance acceptance of potential driving retirement for drivers with dementia.

Method & Sample
- Qualitative study
- Convenience sample of current drivers aged 55 years or older, drivers with dementia, and other drivers aged 60 years or older
- Anonymous on-line survey, face-to-face interview and telephone interview

Findings
- Views of trusted people important
- Real on-road experiences are most convincing
- Emotional consideration of driving retirement can be addressed in planning services

Discussion
- Implications for health professionals, driving instructors, and dementia care providers
- Recommendations for future research