



Clearinghouse for Older Road User Safety

Participate in National Older Driver Safety Awareness Week

December 5-9, 2022, is Older Driver Safety Awareness Week which aims to promote older drivers' safety. In 2020, there were more than 55.7 million people 65 years and older in the United States, according to the U.S. Census Bureau.¹ Older drivers (65+) tend to be safe drivers but they are also a highly at-risk population. People 65 and older made up 17% of all traffic fatalities in 2020² and 66%, or 2 out of 3, fatal older driver crashes involved other vehicles – so helping older drivers be safer on the road can also help those around the older driver be safer.³ Older road users are not just behind the wheel. Older road users share our roadways while they are walking, biking, riding motorcycles or even passengers in public transit or shared transportation (for example, taxi or uber).

Older Driver Safety Awareness Week is the perfect opportunity to promote older driver safety and older adults' mobility and transportation needs. The Clearinghouse for Older Road User Safety (ChORUS) provides professionals and individuals resources to encourage and support older driver traffic safety.

Medical Professionals play an important role in ensuring older driver safety. Providers can discuss driving safety with potentially at-risk drivers and their family. For resources on how to facilitate this conversation visit the [ChORUS Medical Professional Resources](#).

Throughout the week, ChORUS will promote a different aspect of older driver safety such as including driving safety in patient interactions, knowing the signs for when driving behaviors should change, and transportation planning tools and resources available to help. We encourage [you, your peers, your members, your users, etc.] to learn more by following ChORUS on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), or [LinkedIn](#).

¹ S0103: POPULATION 65 YEARS AND OVER... - Census Bureau Table

² National Center for Statistics and Analysis. (2022, July). Older population: 2020 data (Traffic Safety Facts. Report No. DOT HS 813 341). National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

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