



State Reporting Regulations for Physicians

Adapted from the Physician's Guide to Assessing and Counseling Older Drivers⁴⁴ and Madd.org⁴⁵

State	Physician/Medical Reporting (NOTE MERGED CELLS)			Medical Advisory Board	Notes/Civil Immunity
	<i>Mandatory, Alcohol-related</i>	<i>Mandatory, Other</i>	<i>Permissive</i>		
Alabama	none	None	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: Yes Code reference: 32-6-45
Alaska	none	None	none	None	licensee should self-report medical conditions that cause loss of consciousness to the DMV Civil immunity: No
Arizona	none	None	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 28-3005

Arkansas	none	None	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	None	unsafe drivers referred to agency called Arkansas Driver Control Civil immunity: No
California	none	loss of consciousness	unsafe drivers, in public's interest	makes recommendations for policy development; does not review individual medical cases	Mandatory reporting includes "disorders characterized by lapses of consciousness"; specifies Alzheimer's disease Civil immunity: Yes Code reference: cannot find
Colorado	none	None	medical conditions that would affect the safe operation of a motor vehicle	None	Civil immunity: No
Connecticut	none	None	medical conditions that would affect the safe operation of a motor vehicle	makes recommendations for policy development and reviews individual medical cases	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: Chapter 246 14-46f

Delaware	none	loss of consciousness	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Mandatory reporting includes "losses of consciousness due to disease of the central nervous system" Civil immunity: yes Code reference: Title 21, Chapter 27-2748
District of Columbia	none	None	reporting encouraged, but medical condition not specified	None	Civil immunity: No
Florida	none	None	mental or physical disability that would affect the safe operation of a motor vehicle	makes recommendations for policy development and reviews individual medical cases	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 322.126
Georgia	none	none	Medical conditions that would affect the safe operation of a motor vehicle	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Assists DMV staff with decisions on individual drivers Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 40-5-59

Hawaii	Hospital BAC reporting	none	Reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Re: mandatory BAC reporting, "the health provider shall notify, as soon as reasonably possible, any officer present at the health care facility to investigate the accident or, if no such officer is present, the county police department in the county where the accident occurred" Civil immunity: No
Idaho	none	none	Reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	None	Civil immunity: No
Illinois	Hospital BAC reporting	none	Physicians encouraged to tell patients of their (driver's) responsibility to report loss of consciousness or medical conditions that would affect the safe operation of a motor vehicle	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	requires "hospital emergency rooms to report chemical test results of individual treated in motor vehicle crashes to Illinois State Police or law enforcement officials upon request" Civil immunity: Yes Code reference: 625ILCS5 6-910
Indiana	Hospital BAC reporting	Physicians are required to report handicapping conditions		reviews medical issues for licensure regarding	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: IC 9-14-4-6

				individual drivers	
Iowa	none	none	medical conditions that "would render the person physically or mentally incompetent to operate a motor vehicle in a safe manner"	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 321.186
Kansas	none	none	none	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 8-255C
Kentucky	none	none	medical conditions that would affect the safe operation of a motor vehicle	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: cannot find
Louisiana	none	none	medical conditions that would affect the safe operation of a motor vehicle	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: RS 40:1356
Maine	none	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	reviews medical issues for licensure	MAB reviews appeals of DMV rulings on licensure Civil immunity: yes

				regarding individual drivers	Code reference: 29-A 1256-6
Maryland	none	none	permitted for persons with "disorders characterized by lapses of consciousness"	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 16-119
Massachusetts	none	none	encourages reporting by doctors, law enforcement and public of "unfit drivers"	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: no
Michigan	none	none	encouraged to report unsafe drivers		Michigan has a Driver Assessment Division that reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers Civil immunity: no
Minnesota	none	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: cannot find

Mississippi	none	none	reporting permitted, but medical conditions not specified	none	Civil immunity: no
Missouri	none	none	any condition that could impair or limit a person's driving ability	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 302.292
Montana	none	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	none	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: cannot find
Nebraska	none	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 60-4, 118.03
Nevada	none	loss of consciousness	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	makes recommendations for policy development and reviews individual medical cases	Mandatory reporting of "epilepsy, any seizure disorder, or any other disorder characterized by lapse of consciousness" Civil immunity: yes Code reference: cannot find

New Hampshire	none	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 263:6-B
New Jersey	none	loss of consciousness	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Mandatory reporting of conditions causing "recurrent loss of consciousness" Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 39:2-16
New Mexico	none	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 66-5-6
New York	none	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	makes recommendations for policy development; does not review individual medical cases	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: VAT Article 21-B 545
North Carolina	none	none	unsafe drivers	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 29-9.1 (c)
North Dakota	none	none	medical conditions that would affect the safe operation of a motor vehicle	makes recommendations for policy development; does not review individual medical cases	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: cannot find

Ohio	none	none	unsafe drivers	none	despite no advisory boards, DMV will contact medical consultants for difficult individual licensure cases as needed Civil immunity: no
Oklahoma	none	none	medical conditions that would affect the safe operation of a motor vehicle	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 47-6-207
Oregon	Hospital BAC reporting	conditions that might impair driving	medical conditions that would affect the safe operation of a motor vehicle	none	mandatory BAC reporting only if asked; impaired driving conditions include "functional and/or cognitive impairments that are severe and cannot be corrected/controlled by surgery, meds, therapy, driving devices" no MAB - review of cases is by state health office Civil immunity: yes Code reference: cannot find

Pennsylvania	Hospital BAC reporting	conditions that might impair driving	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	makes recommendations for policy development; does not review individual medical cases	mandatory BAC reporting by medical personnel only if requested; impaired driving conditions include neuromuscular, neuropsychiatric, cardiovascular, cerebrovascular, convulsive, and other conditions that may impair driving ability Civil immunity: yes Code reference: cannot find
Rhode Island	none	none	medical conditions that would affect the safe operation of a motor vehicle	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: cannot find
South Carolina	none	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 56-1-221D
South Dakota	none	none	unsafe drivers	none	no MAB, review of individual medical cases is performed by Dept. of Commerce and Regulation Civil immunity: no

Tennessee	none	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: cannot find
Texas	none	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: cannot find
Utah	Hospital BAC reporting	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	makes recommendations for policy development; does not review individual medical cases	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: cannot find
Vermont	none	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified; reporting only with patient permission	none	Civil immunity: no
Virginia	none	none	unsafe drivers	makes recommendations for policy development and reviews individual medical cases	Civil immunity: yes Code reference: 46-2-204
Washington	none	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	none	Civil immunity: no

West Virginia	none	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes HB 4515 just passed into law this year
Wisconsin	none	none	medical conditions that would affect the safe operation of a motor vehicle	reviews medical issues for licensure regarding individual drivers	Civil immunity: yes
Wyoming	none	none	reporting encouraged, but medical conditions not specified	none	Civil immunity yes

Appendix C: Additional Data Analysis Results
Table 1: Effects of Curriculum on Physician Behavior

** one-tailed values

Variable	Comparison	Statistic **
Percent RI MVCs Alcohol related (correct = 40-70%)	1. pre to posttest change in correct response	Z = 3.41; p < .001
	2. posttest to 3 month change in correct response	Z = -1.99, p = .02
	3. pre to posttest by seniority of physician change in correct response	$\chi^2(2) = 2.23, p = .16$
	4. posttest to 3 month by physician type change in correct response	$\chi^2(2) = 1.23, p = .26$
Percent often screen for alcohol use disorders, referral for treatment	1. pretest to 3 month change in reported screening	Z = 0.14, p = .44
	2. pretest to 6 month change in reported screening	Z = 1.02, p = .15
	3. pretest estimates of alcohol screening by physician type	F (2,71) = 2.06, p = .07
	4. 3 month estimates of alcohol screening by physician type	
	5. 6 month estimates of alcohol screening by physician type	F (2,53) = 1.52, p = .11
		F (2,43) = 0.16, p = .43
Percent patients treated who have alcohol use disorders	1. pretest to 3 month change in estimates of alcohol use disorders	Z = 0.28, p = .39
	2. pretest estimates of alcohol use disorders by physician type	F (2,73) = 1.39, p = .13
	3. 3 month estimates of alcohol use disorders by physician type	F (2, 53) = 2.95, p = .06

Table 2. Medical Record Review for Alcohol screening of ED Patients Pre and Post SOS Curriculum

Variable	Statistic **
Percent screened for alcohol use	Z = 0.71; p = .24
Total positive screens	Z = 1.95, p = .03
Positive screens receiving an intervention	Z = 1.74, p = .04

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