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Dear Council on Aging Director,

Although research shows that older drivers are safe drivers, the motor vehicle fatality rate for older drivers increases slightly at age 75 and markedly at age 80. (CDC)

To assist older drivers with driving questions and/or issues, MassDOT Registry of Motor Vehicles Division (RMV) offers a series of **free**, safe driving workshops. The RMV's safe driving program, now in its eleventh year, covers a wide range of topics from new laws to the affects of aging on one's ability to drive. Most importantly, the program offers older drivers, family members, and providers an opportunity to speak one-on-one with a Registry of Motor Vehicles representative.

Free Workshops:

- 1.) *Road Scholar* – What are the rules of the road? Topics include new laws, regulations, rules of the road, and safe driving tips;
- 2.) *The Driving Decision* – Advice for caregivers and professionals who are concerned about an unsafe driver;
- 3.) *Disability Plates and Placards* – How to obtain a disability placard or plate, how to correctly display a placard and what constitutes illegal use of a placard or plate.

Visit <http://www.mass.gov/rmv/forms/eldform.pdf> to download a request form. Email completed forms to Michele.Ellicks@state.ma.us; fax to (617) 973-7277; or mail to Michele Ellicks, 10 Park Plaza, #6620, Boston, MA 02116.

The RMV appreciates the opportunity to serve you and your community.

Sincerely,
Rachel Kaprielian

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