

# Evaluation of a Co-Designed Implementation and Replication Study of Hazard Perception Training for Novice Teen Drivers

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Existing research provides evidence that PC-based Hazard Perception Training reduces crash rates in teen males in the 12 months post licensure. A replication study is needed to understand why similar reductions in crash rates were not evident in teen female drivers. The field also needs an implementation study to understand how to deploy hazard perception training at scale and in classroom environments as part of the driver training process. This study will be the first of its kind to use a co-designed research model, inviting driver education teachers to participate with researchers in the design, implementation, and analysis of the study.

## Objectives

- Evaluate the effects of a PC-based training program on teen driver crashes and traffic violation
- Evaluate the implementation of the training program imbedded within a high school driver's training course

## Tentative Timeline

### April 2025

Co-design meetings begin

### July 2025

Research model and questions finalized

### August 2025

Hazard Perception Training begins

### May 2026

Implementation data collection complete

### May 2027

Crash & traffic violation data collection complete

### August 2027

Data analysis complete

### December 2027

Summary project results available