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OT Driver Assessment

Information for GPs & Health Professionals

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About this document

This reference sheet summarises the correct process for referring patients for OT driver assessment in WA, the right forms for senior driver renewals, and clarifies common errors ChelleCare is fielding from GPs and patients. Please keep a copy for your practice.

When to refer for an OT Driver Assessment

An OT driver assessment is appropriate when a patient's medical condition, injury, disability, or age-related changes may affect their ability to drive safely. Common referral triggers include:

- Neurological conditions — stroke, TBI, Parkinson's, epilepsy, dementia
- Musculoskeletal or physical conditions affecting vehicle control
- Cognitive decline, memory concerns, or executive function changes
- Psychiatric conditions or medication affecting reaction time or judgment
- Diabetes with hypoglycaemia risk
- Vision or hearing impairment
- Post-operative recovery affecting driving readiness
- Senior driver renewal where fitness to drive cannot be confidently confirmed by GP assessment alone (more information - [Renew your driver's licence \(seniors 80 years or more\) | Transport WA](#))

The DoT forms — which one to use

Form	Purpose	Used when	Who submits to DoT
M106A Medical Assessment Instructions	Instruction sheet for patient and health professional — explains the process and patient questionnaire.	Always provided to patient before GP appointment. Must NOT be returned to DoT.	NOT submitted to DoT — patient/practice reference only.
M107A Medical Assessment Certificate — Fitness to Drive	Comprehensive fitness to drive assessment. Used when DoT specifically requests a medical assessment outside of routine renewal.	DoT-requested assessments; new licence applications; conditions or notifications from DoT to a specific driver.	Health professional or patient submits to driverservices@transport.wa.gov.au or GPO Box R1290 Perth WA 6844.
M108A Senior Driver's	Medical assessment specifically for senior driver licence renewal	Routine licence renewal for drivers 80 and over. This is	Health professional or patient submits to driverservices@transport.wa.gov.au or GPO Box R1290 Perth WA 6844.

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Licence Renewal Declaration	(drivers 80+). Patient completes driving history and medical questions; health professional completes the AFTD section.	the correct form for this process — not M107A.	

Common error: M107A used for senior driver renewals

The M107A is not the correct form for routine senior licence renewal. For drivers 80+ renewing their licence, the M108A (Senior Driver's Licence Renewal Declaration) is required. Using M107A for this process causes delays and confusion.

If in doubt, contact DoT Driver Services on 13 11 56 or DTMI Medical on 1300 852 722.

[Renew your driver's licence \(seniors 80 years or more\) | Transport WA](#)

Section 5 of M107A and M108A — Referring for OT Assessment

Both forms contain a **Section 5** asking whether the patient requires specialist assessment for suitability to drive. The two options are:

Option	What it means	What happens next
<input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Therapist assessment (may include driving assessment)	You are requesting an OT driver assessment - which may be clinical only, or may include an on-road component.	ChelleCare (or another OTDA) contacts the patient to arrange assessment. OT report is then sent to DoT.
<input type="checkbox"/> On-road practical driving assessment by the DTMI	You are confirming the patient is medically fit to undertake an on-road test with a DoT driving assessor. <u>This is a DoT-administered test, not an OT assessment.</u>	DoT arranges on-road assessment with their own driving assessor. This does not involve ChelleCare.

If you are unsure which to select

If you have clinical concerns about how a patient's condition affects their actual driving performance, select the OT assessment option. The OT will evaluate functional driving capacity and provide a report with recommendations. If the patient appears medically stable and you simply need a practical check of their current driving skill, the DTMI on-road option may be appropriate; however it is recommended you discuss with DoT first if unsure (**1300 852 722**).

Sequence of Events

Step	Who acts	What happens
1. Medical assessment	Patient + GP/health professional	Patient completes M106A questionnaire. GP completes M107A or M108A AFTD sections. Form is submitted to DoT.
2. DoT reviews medical information	DoT Driver Services	DoT assesses the form. If an OT assessment is indicated (Section 5 ticked), DoT may write to the patient or the referral comes direct from the GP.
3. OT driver assessment referral	GP or patient contacts ChelleCare	Off-road clinical assessment followed by on-road assessment with a specialised driving instructor. OT produces a report.
4. OT report submitted to DoT	ChelleCare (with patient consent)	Formal OT report sent to driverservices@transport.wa.gov.au . Report includes clinical findings, functional driving observations, and recommendations.
5. DoT decision	DoT Driver Services	DoT makes the final licensing decision — fit, conditional, suspension, or cancellation. This is DoT's decision, not the OT's.

Submitting the completed form

Once the M107A or M108A is complete, it is submitted by the health professional or the patient to DoT:

- Email: driverservices@transport.wa.gov.au (mark as Confidential)
- Post: GPO Box R1290, Perth WA 6844 (mark as Confidential)

The M106A instruction sheet is NOT submitted — it is for patient and practice reference only.

DoT medical enquiries for health professionals: 1300 852 722

Referring to ChelleCare

Referral forms can be accessed via our webpage - [OTDA Referral | ChelleCare](#). Alternatively, a general GP referral template with relevant medical information and copies of completed DoT forms can be submitted via email - info@chellecare.com.au.

ChelleCare will triage the referral and advise on next steps.

For NDIS participants, a copy of the relevant plan section is helpful but not required to make contact.

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