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Teen Driving Behaviors in a Rural Southern State

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Goal
The goal of this activity is to inform physicians about risky behaviors identified for both teen drivers and passengers. A concerning number of teens are not receiving safe driving educational messages from parents, doctors, or driver’s education classes. Some interventions have been instituted; however, more outreach efforts should be made to focus on strengthening driving laws and educating parents and teens.

Objectives
Upon completion of this activity, participants should be more competent to:
- Understand the statistics on injuries and deaths from risky teen driving behaviors
- Identify the most risky teen driving behaviors
- Develop a practice and/or a community plan to reduce risky teen driving behaviors

Target Audience and Scope of Practice
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Clinical Scenario:
You are the medical advisor to your community’s largest school district. The district’s Board of Trustees has decided to partner with the community’s health department to address widespread concerns about the risks of teen driving. There have been several recent accidents involving teenage drivers from the district’s high schools that resulted in serious injuries and two deaths. These accidents have caused parents, school leaders, and community leaders to request more information about the risks of teen driving and to seek some methods that could be implemented to reduce these risks. You have been asked to brief the school board and concerned parents at an open public forum on these concerns. In preparation for your presentation you locate an article on this topic of risky teen driving behaviors by Irons and colleagues in the December, 2014 issue of the Southern Medical Journal which you feel contains very valuable information. You begin developing your presentation with the information provided in the article.

1. Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of deaths for teens in the United States.
   A. □ True
   B. □ False

2. Which of the following is/are (a) high risk facto(s) for motor vehicle accidents involving teen drivers?
   A. □ Distractions
   B. □ Speeding and reckless driving
   C. □ Driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs
   D. □ All of the above

3. Which of the following has not been identified as a significant factor in risky teen driving behavior?
   A. □ Inexperience/immaturity
   B. □ Risk-taking behaviors
   C. □ Motor vehicle mechanical problems
   D. □ Texting while driving

4. Which of the following are recommendations from the American Academy of Pediatrics regarding teen driving?
   A. □ Restrict night-time driving with a curfew
   B. □ 50 hours of supervised driving to obtain a Graduated Driving License
   C. □ Teenager-parent written contracts
   D. □ All of the above

5. Which of the following types of interventions would likely not provide positive educational information for teen drivers to reduce their risky driving behaviors?
   A. □ Driving classes
   B. □ Driving contracts
   C. □ Peer Behaviors
   D. □ Primary care physician counseling
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☐ Change my screening and prevention practice
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☐ Use alternative communication methodologies with patients and families
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