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## UNIVERSITY OF IOWA TEEN DRIVING RESEARCH

The University of Iowa is in the process of recruiting teen drivers and their parents for several studies investigating the effect that technology-based interventions may have on the driving behaviors and safety of young drivers.

Teenagers between the ages of 15½ and 16 are eligible to participate in these studies. They must:

1. be planning to obtain an intermediate driver's license within the next 6 months,
2. have a vehicle that they will be the main driver of,
3. drive at least 90 minutes per week (about 15 minutes/day), and
4. have one parent/guardian who will participate in the study with the teen.

If your teen does not currently meet these criteria but will within the next 6-9 months, please call to be placed on our contact list. We will call or email you about 1 month before the teen plans to obtain their license to see if you want to learn more about participating at that time.

Teens who choose to participate will have their vehicles instrumented with a small video device. The device records a 12-second clip of video both inside and outside the vehicle when abrupt braking and/or steering occurs. Some teens and parents in the study will be given the videos and/or information about the behaviors shown in the video. Some parents will be asked to attend a training session during the study. Other teens and parents will receive no feedback at all. All teens and parents will be asked to complete surveys about their driving behaviors and participation in the study.

The participation period lasts approximately 5 months. Compensation will be offered.

We believe that this study will help to provide a major advance in reducing teens' unsafe driving behaviors. If this project is something you and your teen might like to participate in, please call us locally at 384-2860 or toll free at 1-877-611-4971. You may also email us at [iprc-teendriving@uiowa.edu](mailto:iprc-teendriving@uiowa.edu). Thank you in advance and we look forward to hearing from you.

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