

Drinking Driver Education

January 2013

Upcoming Events

OWI Advisory Board

- January 31, 2013

Instructor Training

- January 28 – 30, 2013
Iowa City
- November 4 – 8, 2013
Council Bluffs

Instructor Recertification

- January 31, 2013
Iowa City
- November 7, 2013
Council Bluffs

Register online at
www.primeforlife.org
or call 800.922.9489

QUARTERLY FEES & CLASS LISTS

Quarterly fees and class lists for the period October 1 – December 31 are due by January 31, 2013.

Please make sure to send your class list electronically to: OWIlowa@iowa.gov

PRIME for Life – Delivering it for Optimum Results

Iowa is one of eleven states nationwide that uses PRIME for Life its impaired driving program. Although instructors are trained in how to use the program, actually delivering it to students takes practice. Michelle Ellison, a PRIME for Life training instructor, shares some pointers that will allow instructors to be confident and to optimize participant outcomes:

1. Follow the manual in the proper order, and do not overlook relevant segments.
2. Use the video materials at the correct time. Practice transitioning between the videos and the lectures portions so that students understand the significance the video material plays.
3. Use the participant workbook exercises as indicated – making sure to pause and solicit feedback about them from the students.
4. Although it probably won't happen right away, instructors should be able to complete the lectures and exercises without relying excessively on the manual.
5. Avoid materials that are not included in the manual.

Instructors can measure several of these points of content delivery by using a check sheet. PRI provides check sheets for each unit on the Instructor Site of www.primeforlife.org.

OWI Education Advisory Committee

The OWI Education Advisory Committee was established in May of 2011. We currently have 13 members representing both community college and substance abuse agencies. In addition we have individuals serving in an advisory capacity from the Iowa Department of Public Health, Iowa Department of Transportation, the Iowa Department of Corrections, and the Iowa Department of Education.

The Committee meets quarterly, and discusses issues relevant to providing the drinking driver education program in Iowa. If you are interested in being a part of this advisory committee, or would like more information, please contact Barbara Ledvina at Barbara.ledvina@iowa.gov or 515-242-5036 by March 4, 2013.

WHO YA GONNA CALL?

When you have a question or concern, half the battle is figuring out who to call. To help you out, we have developed a little cheat sheet for you to use:

Prime for Life curriculum questions/concerns
Michelle Ellison
877.922.9045

To order Prime for Life workbooks
800.922.9489

To register for the PRI Instructor Training/Recertification
859.223.5320 or
www.primeforlife.org

Questions or concerns related to Substance Abuse Evaluations or Treatment
Elizabeth Schaller
515.281.4643

Problems with the IDOT website for entering completion information (including password help)
515.237.3075

Questions or concerns related to quarterly fees, website information, or other questions about the educational component of the Drinking Driver Program
Janine Johnson
515.281.5251
or
Barbara Ledvina
515.242.5036

Facility Locator

Individuals that need to attend a drinking driver course in Iowa, now have an online resource on which they can search facilities in a set area.

We have partnered with the Iowa Substance Abuse Information Center (ISAIC) to provide basic information about the state's mandated drinking driver providers. The ISAIC updated their online facility locator to allow individuals to search for a variety of services – including drinking driver education courses. We have added a link to the facility locator on our website (<http://owi.educateiowa.gov>) or you can visit directly by going to <http://facilitylocator.drugfreeinfo.org>

Searches can be done by location (county or city), and filtered by core services and/or special services such as non-English classes.



24/7 Help Line in Iowa 1-866-242-4111

Go back to the Homepage | Contact ISAIC | Facility Locator | Coalition Locator

Iowa Facility Locator - Search

Issues with drugs, alcohol or problem gambling for you or someone you know?
The Iowa Substance Abuse Information Center is here to help. Use the Iowa Facility Locator below to find the services or treatment facility that best fits your needs. Start by entering your location, or for a statewide search, click the box next to the type of service you are looking for.

Search By Location: -- Choose A Location --

Search By Agency Name: Enter Agency Name

-- Outpatient or Residential -- -- Financial Assistance Available --

Core Services:

Co-Occurring Services Drinking Driver Education Methadone Problem Gambling

Substance Abuse Detox Substance Abuse Evaluation Substance Abuse Prevention Substance Abuse Treatment

Special Services:

Non-English Speaking Services Women with Children

Note: Agency results may be associated 1 or more services, review your results.

[Submit Your Search](#) [Reset Search Criteria](#) Found: 386 agencies in Iowa

Once the search results are returned, the user can click a specific agency to learn more about what is offered, at the facility.

ZION Recovery Services

Agency Address: 309 South 7th St
Ste B
Adel, IA 50003
County: Dallas

Phone: 515/993-5243
Alt. Phone: 712/542-3720
Fax: 515/993-5243 (same as phone)

Contact Email: zion@metc.net
Website: <http://www.zionrecovery.org>

Assistance Available: Fee Assistance
Sliding Fee

Levels of Care: - Outpatient
- Residential

Services: - Drinking Driver Education
- Substance Abuse Evaluation
- Substance Abuse Treatment

12 Hour OWI Education Evaluations - adult & youth

If you have not gone out and reviewed your agency's information on the site, we encourage you to do so. Not only is it a helpful resource, but it is also free advertising on the internet for the agencies providing the program. If you find your information is not correct, please let us know by sending an email to: OWIowa@iowa.gov

By the Numbers

Statistics from
October 1, 2011 to
September 30, 2012

51.....agencies with classes held during the time period

33 average age of student

2,601..... females taking class

7,442 males taking class

5%.....students from outside Iowa

15..... age of youngest student

81.....age of oldest student

1,183.....students under 21

1,095.....cleared by the DE for students taking the class out-side of Iowa

What type of statistics would you be interested in seeing in the future? Let us know. *

“Don’t wait for extraordinary opportunities. Seize common occasions and make them great.” Orison S. Marden

Keep Certification Up-to-Date

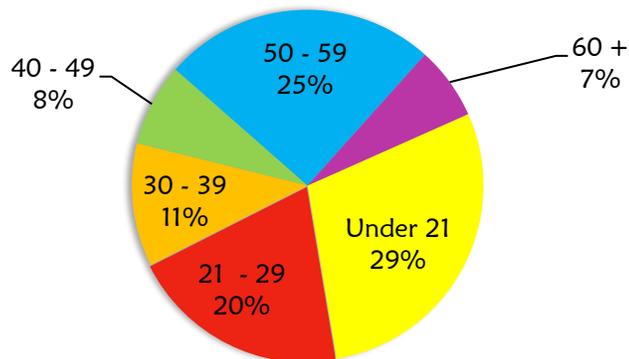
Individuals teaching Iowa’s mandated drinking driver program, Prime for Life, are required to be certified to do so. Once certified, the instructor must attend a one-day recertification class every 24 months to maintain active certification. There is no charge for instructors from state approved providers to attend the recertification course. If you are unsure of when you were last certified/recertified, please contact Prime For Life at 800.922.9489, or access your information on www.primeforlife.org. *

Class Lists Provide Statewide Data

Beginning with classes held in April of 2011, agencies were asked to provide the Department of Education with a listing of all students that took the mandated drinking driver course at their agency. Each quarter, agencies submit their class listings to our office.

From October 1, 2011 to September 30, 2012 10,043 took the class in Iowa. Another 1,059 had offended in Iowa at some point, and submitted documentation to show they completed the class outside of Iowa. Check out the side panel for more statistics.

Age of Students



Where Students are Taking Classes

