



# P PLATE DRIVERS

**Transport to an event, party or gathering is often planned, but getting home is sometimes forgotten.**

Before your P plater heads out, spend some time talking with them about how they plan to get home.

Consider the following options.

1. Walk home with a friend if safe to do so.
2. Public transport – encourage them to get into the habit of checking timetables and planning which bus or train they will catch before they head out.
3. Sharing a taxi or Uber with someone they know – make sure they have enough money to get home.
4. Staying overnight with a friend.
5. Arranging to be collected by a parent or another responsible driver.
6. Having a swag in the back of the car in case they need to stay overnight to avoid drink driving.



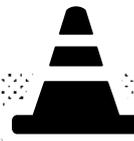
**Remind your P plater to leave the car keys at home if they plan to drink.**



**Encourage your P plater to take a mobile phone with them and to make sure it is charged.**



**Encourage your P plater to have a list of emergency phone numbers in either a mobile phone or wallet that they take with them.**



**Remember, a P plater is still a new driver so encourage them to drive safely.**



**Talk about ways your P plater can deal with pressure from friends eg to drive unsafely or to get into a car with a driver who has been drinking alcohol or using drugs.**

As well as encouraging your P plater to plan how they are going to get home in advance, remind them to:

- look out for their friends and themselves
- help someone if they are sick or in trouble
- call an ambulance if they are concerned for someone's welfare
- agree with their friends that if they don't feel safe at a party, event or gathering, they will tell each other and leave
- stay in a group and don't get separated.

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