

# Media Release

## Andrew Broad

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### LEARNER DRIVERS GIVEN THE *KEYS2DRIVE*

An additional \$16 million has been approved by the Federal Government today to extend the popular driving program for learner drivers – *keys2drive*, for a further four years.

Federal Member for Mallee, Andrew Broad says the extension of the program is set to further support regional learner drivers and let them gain experience in the driver's seat before getting their full licence.

"*keys2drive* is a great program that helps our young drivers gain knowledge and experience on the road," he said.

"It's also a great way for drivers to learn safe driving practices that will keep our road incidents and fatalities down."

Under the program learner drivers and their supervisors can undertake a free 30 minute theory lesson and a 30 minute practical lesson to prepare them for their P-plate licence.

Regional towns like those in the Wimmera, Mallee and Mildura regions will see an increased distribution of *keys2drive* lessons to help reduce road trauma in country areas.

"66% of road trauma occurs on regional roads, the federal government is committed to seeing that decline and *keys2drive* is a big part of that," Mr Broad said.

"The program has been running for nearly a decade and it's great to see it being carried on to our future drivers by the Federal Government."

Learner drivers can register for a free *keys2drive* lesson online: [www.keys2drive.com.au](http://www.keys2drive.com.au).

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