

FALL RISK ASSESSMENT

Resident Name: _____ Date: _____

Admission Readmission Change in Condition Post-Fall Quarterly

Circle appropriate score for each section and total score at bottom.

Parameter	Score	Patient Status/Condition
A. Level of Consciousness/ Mental Status	0	Alert and oriented X3
	2	Disoriented X 3 at all times
	4	Intermittent confusion
B. History of Falls (past 3 months)	0	No falls
	2	1-2 falls
	4	3 or more falls
C. Ambulation/ Elimination Status	0	Ambulatory & continent
	2	Chair bound & requires assist w/ toileting
	4	Ambulatory & incontinent
D. Vision Status	0	Adequate (w/ or w/o glasses)
	2	Poor (w/ or w/o glasses)
	4	Legally blind
E. Gait and Balance	-----	Have resident stand on both feet w/o any type of assist then have walk: forward, thru a doorway, then make a turn. (Mark all that apply.)
	0	Normal/safe gait and balance.
	1	Balance problem while standing.
	1	Balance problem while walking.
	1	Decreased muscular coordination.
	1	Change in gait pattern when walking through doorway.
	1	Jerking or unstable when making turns.
	1	Requires assistance (person, furniture/walls or device).
F. Orthostatic Changes Take resident's blood pressure and pulse lying down, then again after standing up.	0	No noted drop in blood pressure between lying and standing. No change to cardiac rhythm.
	2	Drop <20mmHg in BP between lying and standing. Increase of cardiac rhythm <20.
	4	Drop >20mmHg in BP between lying and standing. Increase of cardiac rhythm >20.
G. Medications	-----	Based upon the following types of medications: anesthetics, antihistamines, cathartics, diuretics, antihypertensives, antiseizure, benzodiazepines, hypoglycemics, psychotropics, sedative/hypnotics.
	0	None of these medications taken currently or w/in past 7 days.
	2	Takes 1-2 of these medications currently or w/in past 7 days.
	4	Takes 3-4 of these medications currently or w/in past 7 days.
	1	Mark additional point if patient has had a change in these medications or doses in past 5 days.
H. Predisposing Diseases	-----	Based upon the following conditions: hypotension, vertigo, CVA, Parkinson's Disease, loss of limb(s), seizures, arthritis, osteoporosis, fractures
	0	None present.
	2	1-2 present.
	4	3 or more present.
I. Equipment Issues	0	No risk factors noted.
	1	Oxygen tubing.
	1	Inappropriate use of or resident does not consistently use assistive device.
	1	Equipment needs:
	1	Other:
TOTAL SCORE		A score of 10 or more indicates <u>high risk for falls</u>. If score is 10 or more, complete page 2.

Fall Risk Assessment Form

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(Complete when Fall Risk score is 10 or greater.)

Fall Risk Interventions to be Employed:

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____
- 4. _____
- 5. _____

Additional Services Requested:

- Skilled Nursing Physical Therapy Occupational Therapy Other: _____

Resident and/or responsible party has been informed about fall risk assessment results and safety/fall prevention recommendations:

- Yes No

Name of Responsible Party informed: _____

Has Physician been informed of the outcome of the Fall Risk Assessment? Yes No

Additional Comments:

Signature of Staff Member Completing Assessment:

_____ Date: _____

Printed Name:

Resident Name: _____