

FALL PREVENTION

"Empowering You to Stand Strong!"

HOME SAFETY ASSESSMENT

25-point safe and healthy checklist to determine the home modification and repair needs.

Installation of grab bars, handrails, high-rise toilet seat, tub transfer bench, nightlights.

Home Owner

Contact ADRC or Rebuilding Together Fox Valley Review 25-point Safe and Healthy Checklist; contact landlord.

Renter

INCREASE STRENGTH & BALANCE

Increasing strength and balance can lower the risk of falling. Falling is a leading cause of death.

Contact ADRC or Senior Center for information on community classes.

Ask physician for home exercises

Work out with a personal trainer

PHYSICIAN COMMUNICATION

Discuss the below items with your physician.

- Medication assessment
- Vision changes
- Foot pain or numbness
- Dizziness/unsteady
- Assistive devices
- Sleep changes
- Bone health

SAFETY IN PUBLIC PLACES

Take your walker, cane, whistle, cellphone.

Check for valet parking

Plan extra time for no rushing; have a companion take you to the entrance.

Use a backpack rather than a purse for stability; use a cart in the store

IT'S OK TO ASK FOR HELP...PLEASE ASK!

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