Take Control of Your Health 6 Steps to Prevent a Fall

Many falls are preventable by being aware of your surroundings & following some simple tips that can save a trip to the emergency room and maintain an active lifestyle.



1

Find a good balance and exercise program

Sign up for PCC Physical Education classes to improve balance, strength, and flexibility.



2

Talk to your health care provider

Ask for a fall risk assessment & share your history of any recent falls.



3

Regularly review your medications with your doctor or pharmacist

Ask if side effects are increasing your risk of falling. Take medications only as prescribed.



4

Get your vision and hearing checked annually and update your eyeglasses

Your eyes and ears are key to keeping you on your feet.



5

Keep your home & workplace safe

Remove tripping hazards, increase lighting, wipe up spills, install grab bars in bathrooms & stairs.



6

Footwear

Wear proper shoes. Unsafe footwear such as backless, flip-flops or high heels increase your fall risk.



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