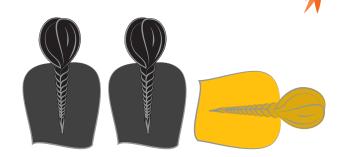
GETTING AROUND IN YOUR COMMUNITY



The good news is that there are actions you can take to prevent falls.

Being aware of hazards in the community can help you to avoid falling when on the go.



Take action to be safe in your community.

- Take your time to avoid rushing.
- Watch for uneven surfaces, cracks, or obstacles.
- Use your walking or mobility aids.

- Sit down and rest when you feel tired.
- Keep your hands free for balance and try to use handrails.
- Watch out for slippery surfaces.





GET A GRIP ON SLIPPERY SURFACES

Avoid wet surfaces such as puddles, snow, and ice.

Watch out for wet, smooth, or shiny floors in public buildings, especially in washrooms.

Wear proper use ice grips on your shoes and

a snug fit with

non-slip

treads.

If you have had a fall, please talk to your doctor or community health nurse.





ice picks on the

end of your cane

or walker.

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