## **ARE YOU AT RISK OF FALLING?**

## Answer YES or NO for each statement, then tally your score below.

| Have you fallen in the last 6 months?  | YES:      | NO:<br>0 |
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| Do you use, or have you been advised to use, a cane or walker to get around safely?  | YES:<br>2 | NO:<br>0 |
| Do you sometimes feel unsteady when you are walking?   | YES:<br>1 | NO:<br>0 |
| Do you have to steady yourself by holding onto furniture when walking at home?   | YES:<br>1 | NO:<br>0 |
| Do you worry about falling?  | YES:<br>1 | NO:<br>0 |
| Do you need to push yourself up with your hands to stand up from a chair?  | YES:<br>1 | NO:<br>0 |
| Do you have trouble stepping up onto a stair?  | YES:<br>1 | NO:<br>0 |
| Do you often have to rush to the toilet?   | YES:<br>1 | NO:<br>0 |
| Have you lost any feeling in your feet?  | YES:<br>1 | NO:<br>0 |
| Do you take medication to help you sleep or improve your mood?   | YES:<br>1 | NO:<br>0 |
| Do you take medication that sometimes makes you feel dizzy or more tired than usual?   | YES:<br>1 | NO:<br>0 |
| Do you often feel sad or depressed?  | YES:<br>1 | NO:<br>0 |
| Do you have difficulty avoiding dangers in your path because you don't see well?   | YES:<br>1 | NO:<br>0 |
| Add up the number of points for each YES answer.  If you scored 4 points or more, you may be at risk of falling.  Total Score: |           |          |

Talk to your community health nurse or doctor for more information.







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