

Glenwood Village Care Center
Policy: Identify Resident Risk of Falling
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Department: Nursing

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GVCC needs to identify residents that are at high risk for falling in order to put proper interventions into place to prevent/reduce resident falls.

1. Upon admission, a fall risk assessment will be completed by the admitting RN within 24 hours of admission. Res may be noted as a high risk on preadmission screening also. Safety Interventions need to be placed immediately if resident is noted to be high risk on admission.
2. Fall Risk assessment will be completed 1x/wk x4wks after admission, then quarterly, after each fall, or with a significant change in condition.
3. Staff working with that resident will be notified of residents fall risk on admission day during nursing report.
4. Name label of resident door will have a red sticker behind it to alert all staff in the building that resident is at high risk and to intervene as needed.
5. If a resident has a new fall, staff nurse will place the red sticker on resident name on their door, alert staff through report and follow Resident Fall policy.
6. Interventions need to be reviewed periodically by fall team to determine appropriateness.
7. Care plan will be updated to reflect individual needs for safety.