### **Stop Falls**



## SAFE STEPS TO FALL PREVENTION

### Did you know???

Common causes of balance and mobility problems:



Muscle weakness

Decreased sensation in limbs

- Dizziness or vertigo
- Vision impairment
  - I Arthritis or painful condition of legs or feet

# Ask your doctor or pharmacist to review your current medications including:

- Herbal supplements
- Over-the counter drugs
- Prescriptions...after changes, take extra caution

#### Simple things you can do:

- Remove things you may trip over...throw rugs.
- Use recommended assistive devices.
- Have grab bars installed next to your tub and alongside your toilet.
- Increase lighting in your home.
- Have handrails installed on all staircases.
- Invest in proper footwear.
- Focus on one task at a time.

For free room assessment contact:

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