

Take Control of Your Health: 6 Steps to Prevent a Fall

•Find A good balance and exercise program.

•Look to build balance, strength, and flexibility.

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- Talk to your health care provider.
- Ask for an assessment of your risk of falling. Share your history of recent falls.

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- •Regularly review your medications with your doctor or pharmacist.
- •Make sure side effects aren't increasing your risk of falling. Take medication only as prescribed.

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- •Get your vision and hearing checked annually and update your eyeglasses.
- •Your eyes and ears are key to keeping you on your feet.

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- •Keep your home safe.
- •Remove tripping hazards, increase lighting make stairs safe, and install grab bars in key areas.

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- Talk to your family members.
- Enlist their support in taking simple steps to stay safe. Falls are not just a senior's issue.

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