

The Ongoing Journey of Posttraumatic Growth & Falls PIP

Continuation Phase, Session 14

Today

COVID Update

IHI Curriculum

- The Ongoing Journey of Posttraumatic Growth

Falls PIP

Over the
Past Week

What did you learn
from walk rounds from
this past week?

Discuss ideas about
implementing QAPI
into your work routines



Poll

Next IHI Curriculum

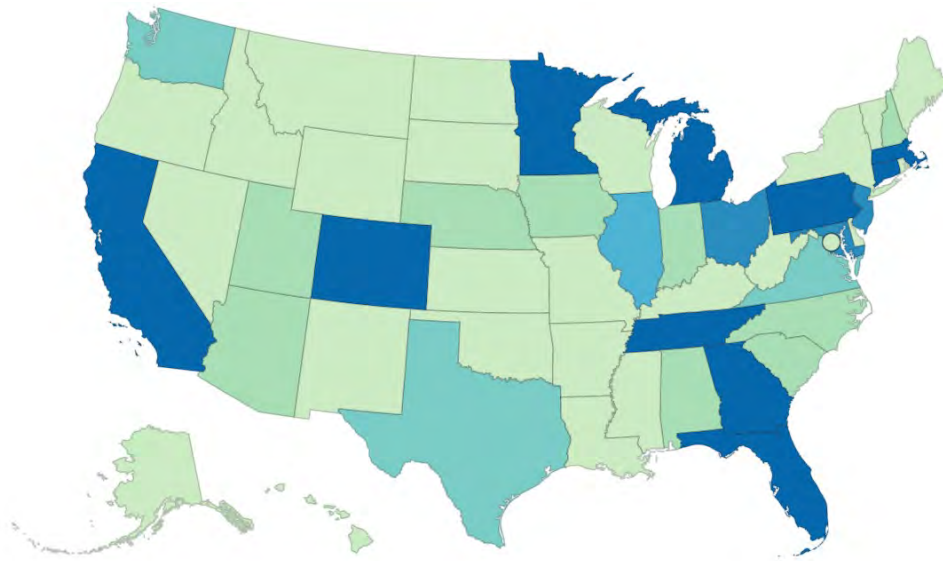
COVID –
19
Update





Viruses like to
masquerade

COVID-19 Variant: preparing for the fall



Number of Cases

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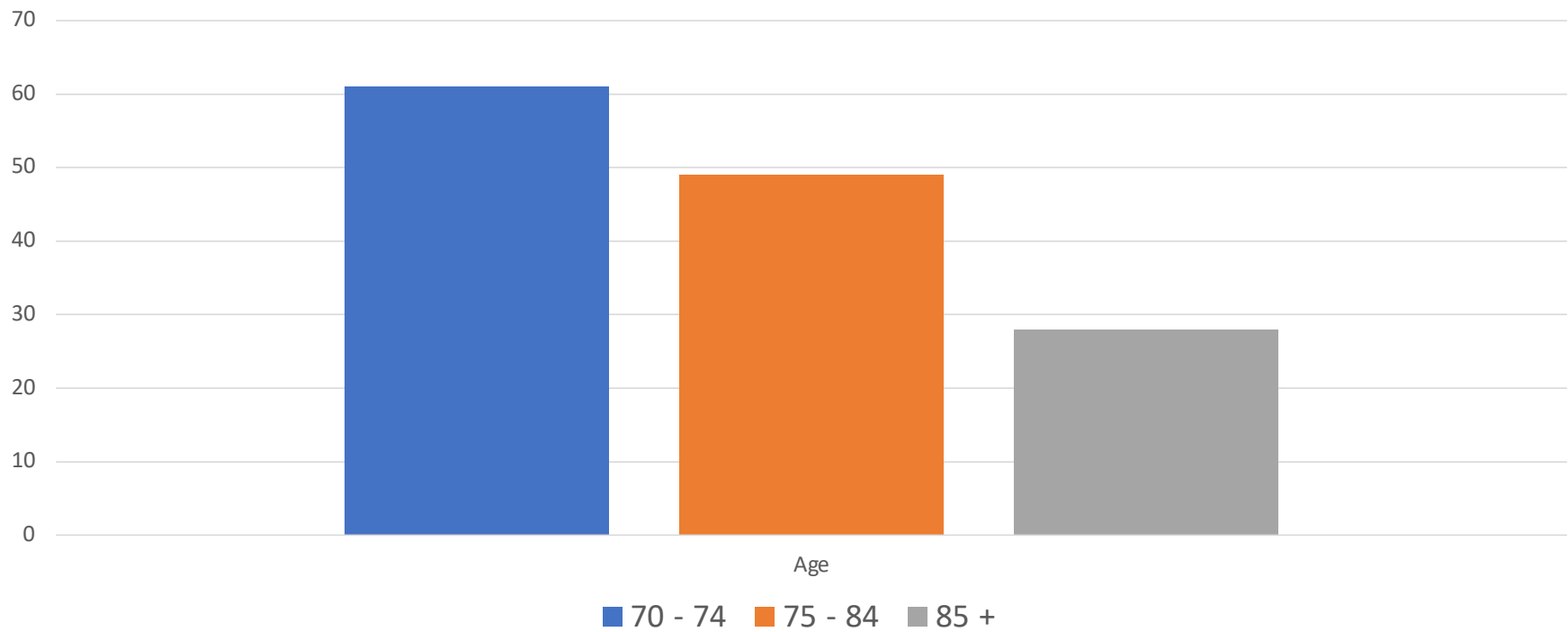
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Variant B.1.1.7

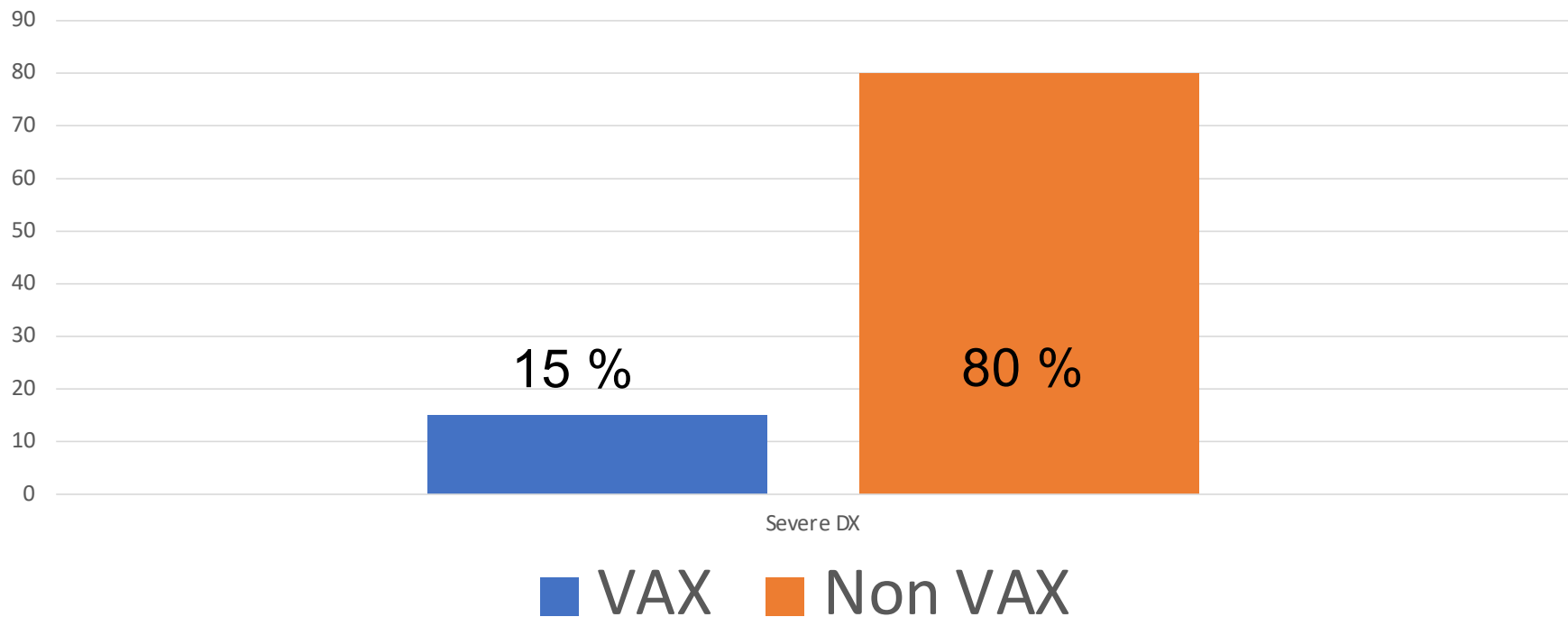
Territories



Vaccine efficacy against variant declines with age



NH Vaccination reduces but does not eliminate severe COVID-19 variant disease



Clinical Infectious Diseases, 2021;, ciab446,
<https://doi.org/10.1093/cid/ciab446>



We are not out of the woods yet !

Video



Emotional and Organization Support

Week 5 - The Ongoing Journey of Posttraumatic Growth

AHRQ ECHO National Nursing
Home COVID-19 Action Network



Older Adults & Falls

Heading into our next PIP



Let's Chat


What is the process for a post-fall follow-up?

When does this occur?

We have additional resources we can share

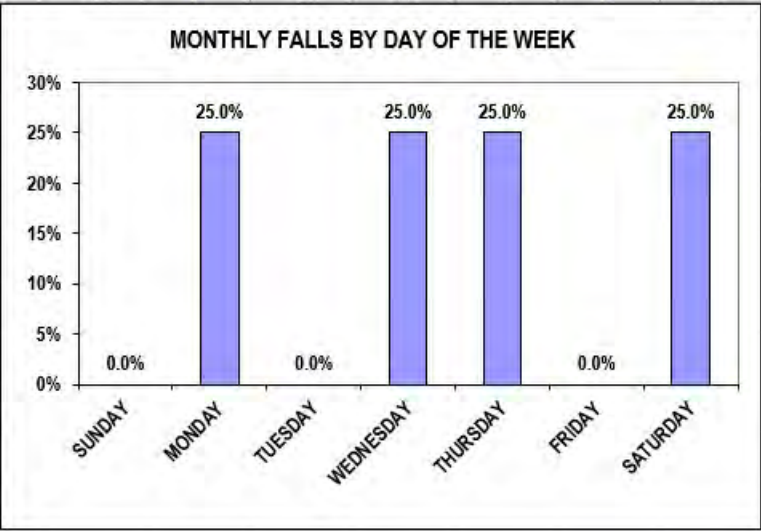


What interventions do you do to manage falls?

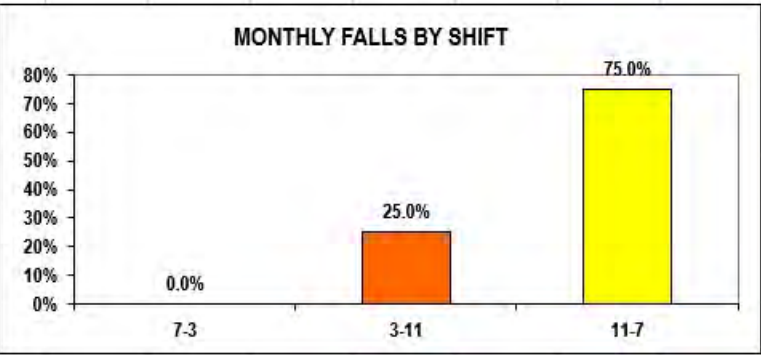


How do you communicate
with staff about post falls
follow-up?

MONTHLY FALLS BY DAY OF THE WEEK		
Day of Week	# by Day	% by Day
SUNDAY	0	0.0%
MONDAY	1	25.0%
TUESDAY	0	0.0%
WEDNESDAY	1	25.0%
THURSDAY	1	25.0%
FRIDAY	0	0.0%
SATURDAY	1	25.0%
TOTAL-->	4	100.0%



MONTHLY FALLS BY SHIFT		
SHIFT	# of Falls by Shift	% of Falls by Shift
7-3	0	0.0%
3-11	1	25.0%
11-7	3	75.0%
TOTALS-->	4	100.0%



Five Whys Tool for Root Cause Analysis



Overview: Root cause analysis is a structured team process that assists in identifying underlying factors or causes of an event, such as an adverse event or near-miss. Understanding the contributing factors or causes of a system failure can help develop actions that sustain corrections.

The Five Whys is a simple problem-solving technique that helps to get to the root of a problem quickly. The Five Whys strategy involves looking at any problem and drilling down by asking: "Why?" or "What caused this problem?" While you want clear and concise answers, you want to avoid answers that are too simple and overlook important details. Typically, the answer to the first "why" should prompt another "why" and the answer to the second "why" will prompt another and so on; hence the name Five Whys. This technique can help you to quickly determine the root cause of a problem. It's simple, and easy to learn and apply.

Directions: The team conducting this root cause analysis does the following:

- Develops the problem statement. (See Step 1 of Guidance for RCA for additional information on problem statements.) Be clear and specific.
- The team facilitator asks why the problem happened and records the team response. To determine if the response is the root cause of the problem, the facilitator asks the team to consider "If the most recent response were corrected, is it likely the problem would recur?" If the answer is yes, it is likely this is a contributing factor, not a root cause.

Problem statement	One sentence description of event or problem
Why? →	
Why? →	
Why? →	
Why? →	
Why? →	
Root Cause(s)	1. 2. 3. To validate root causes, ask the following: If you removed this root cause, would this event or problem have been prevented?

Root Cause Analysis

- <https://www.cms.gov/Medicare/Provider-Enrollment-and-Certification/QAPI/downloads/FiveWhys.pdf>

Fall Huddle

Fall Huddle:

Who: Nurse, primary RA, person finding resident (also NSM, CM, Therapy, Quality when available)

What: Review the circumstances of the fall

- What was resident doing at time of fall? Before fall?
- Were there any changes in resident behavior or function prior to the fall?
- Was the resident on any new meds? When was last PRN given?
- When was resident last toileted? Last repositioned? Last eaten?
- What was staffing like at the time? Where were staff when the resident fell?
- What activities were available? Does resident participate?
- Review the careplan – what interventions are in place already? Were they used?
- What interventions could be added to prevent another fall?

When: Meet to review fall as soon as possible but within 1 hour of fall

Where: Review at the scene where the fall occurred to give you clues about what could have happened and how to prevent further incidences

- Where did fall occur?
- Was equipment positioned where it should be? Where was the w/c or walker?
- What does the area look like where fall occurred? Is there clutter? Tripping hazards?

Conclusion : Why did the fall occur?

Document findings in the Risk Management report and include any additional information that will be helpful in the Risk Management report. Remember to also document the fall in the progress notes.

- Discussed with Team
 - Team members include:

Additional Follow-Up

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Resident's Name: _____ Date: _____ Floor/Room: _____
 Unit: _____ Room: _____ Room: _____ Floor: _____

Fall Huddle:

To be completed by person who witnessed fall or first person that found resident on the floor and staff on the neighborhood (CNA's and Nurse). This form must be completed as soon as possible after the incident occurs.

All questions must be answered

Person/s Filling out Report _____

Was Call light in reach(circle response) Yes No N/A
 Was call light turned on(circle response) Yes No N/A
 Is call light in proper working order(circle response) Yes No N/A (if answered 'No' how did you fix the situation? _____)
 Was a work order completed? Yes No

Where did Fall occur/Where was resident found? _____

Was resident wearing Gait Belt? Yes No N/A

Was fall witnessed? (circle response) Yes No (If fall witnessed, please provide summary on the back page along with name of person who witnessed)

Was resident (circle response) lying on @ side_(L) side back front sitting when found?
 List other response _____

What was the condition of Environment (ex/ room cluttered, oxygen tubing lying on floor in path, cords lying on floor in path, poor lighting, floor wet, floor uneven, etc. any other items on floor or in room that could cause the fall)?

Was the assistive device (walker, cane, wheelchair, other) in reach? Yes No N/A

Was resident wearing glasses, Hearing Aides, Support Braces (circle answer) Yes No N/A

Bed at resident's adequate height? (Res. is able to place feet flat on floor) Yes No

Type of footwear (ex/ shoes on, what are treads of shoes like, too much or too little tread, gripper socks on, slippers on, are there back on the shoes or open backed, do they fit appropriately, too big or too small, etc)

What does resident report led to the fall, what were they doing/attempting to do prior to the fall (ex/are they hungry, thirsty, needing to use the toilet, in pain) (Ask ALL residents that are able to verbalize)

Was the resident's careplan being followed?

Noodle _____ Auto-lock brakes working properly?
 Gripper pad _____ Brakes in working order?
 Low bed/Mat _____ Work Order done if equipment is not working?
 Sheepskin _____ One Way Glide _____

Resident's Name: _____

Cushion	Other (Please Specify)	
Why did the res. move?	Why?	Why?
Why?	Why?	

ROOT CAUSE:

Example: Why did res move? Res. agitated Why? Res. looking for a fam. Member Why? Res. forgetful and does not remember that they live at SNF WHY? Alzheimers dx.

CNA/Nurse
 Last time resident was toileted? _____ Were they continent/incontinent/did they void?

Last time a PRN was given? _____ Medication _____

Any recent changes noted in health status (increase in confusion, more sleepy, increase in urination, reports of pain, etc.)

Any recent changes noted in ambulation or transfers? (ex: more unsteady, shuffling gait, more difficulties with transfers/ambulation, reports of pain or joint stiffness with transfers or ambulation, etc.)

Staff working the neighborhood at the time of the fall? (CNA's and Nurses) _____

What Measures did you implement to prevent further occurrences? _____

Ideas: Low bed/mat, posey grips, Noodle, One way glide, frequent checks, Gripper socks, different shoes, auto-lock brakes, increase activity, increase exercise, Friendship time

Family Updated: _____ MD Updated: _____

STAFF NURSE:
 Interventions added to Routine Care Sheet Date _____ Signature _____
 Interventions added to Care Plan Date _____ Signature _____

Place completed form in Completed Fall Huddle box in Nurses Station. Then to QAM to trend and track.

(PLEASE, Don't use staff breaks or staffing challenged as a fix to the concern)

Discussed at Safety Huddle on _____ Initials: _____

10/2014
 Revised 8/17/2018

Purposeful Post-Fall Huddle

RESIDENT	
Resident: _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female Age _____
Date of Fall: _____	Time of Fall _____ Day of week _____
HUDDLE INFORMATION	
Date of Huddle: _____	Time of Huddle _____
Location of Huddle: <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse's Station <input type="checkbox"/> Location of Fall <input type="checkbox"/> Resident Room <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
Huddle Leader/Facilitator: _____ Number of attendees: _____	
<input type="checkbox"/> Charge nurse _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Social Services _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Resident _____
<input type="checkbox"/> RN _____	<input type="checkbox"/> PT _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Family Member _____
<input type="checkbox"/> LPN _____	<input type="checkbox"/> OT _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Visitor _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Med Aide _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Housekeeping _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Name/Title) _____
<input type="checkbox"/> CNA _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Dietary _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Administrator _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Maintenance _____
<input type="checkbox"/> DON _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Activities _____
FALL INFORMATION	
Location of Fall: <input type="checkbox"/> Resident Room <input type="checkbox"/> Resident Bathroom <input type="checkbox"/> Hallway <input type="checkbox"/> Dining Room <input type="checkbox"/> Bathing Room <input type="checkbox"/> Outside on campus <input type="checkbox"/> Outside off campus <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
Type of Fall: <input type="checkbox"/> Witnessed (observed to fall) <input type="checkbox"/> Unwitnessed (found on floor/ground) <input type="checkbox"/> Intercepted (would have fallen if not caught self or by another person)	
Injury from Fall: <input type="checkbox"/> No injury <input type="checkbox"/> Injury, except major (skin tears, abrasions, lacerations, superficial bruises, hematomas, sprains, or any related injury causing the resident to complain of pain) <input type="checkbox"/> Major Injury (bone fractures, joint dislocations, closed head injuries with altered consciousness, subdural hematoma)	
Outside Medical Treatment immediately after fall? <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Sent to Emergency Room <input type="checkbox"/> Sent to Physician Clinic	
RESIDENT	
What were you trying to do? _____	
Was something different this time? _____	
Assistive Device being used? <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Walker <input type="checkbox"/> Cane <input type="checkbox"/> Crutches <input type="checkbox"/> Wheelchair <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
Footwear? <input type="checkbox"/> Barefoot <input type="checkbox"/> Shoes <input type="checkbox"/> Gripper Socks <input type="checkbox"/> Socks without grippers <input type="checkbox"/> Slippers <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
Clothing? <input type="checkbox"/> Fit well <input type="checkbox"/> Loose <input type="checkbox"/> Tight <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
Wears glasses? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Wearing glasses when fell? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Wears hearing aides? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Wearing hearing aides when fell? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
STAFF	
Approximate time of last contact or visual of resident before fall - _____ Who? _____	
What was the resident doing? _____	
Who was in the area at the time of the fall? _____	
Anything about the resident different today than normal? _____	
ENVIRONMENT	
Floor: <input type="checkbox"/> Carpet <input type="checkbox"/> Tile <input type="checkbox"/> Rug <input type="checkbox"/> Uneven <input type="checkbox"/> Steps <input type="checkbox"/> Shiny <input type="checkbox"/> Wet: suspected liquid _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
Area where fall occurred: <input type="checkbox"/> Light <input type="checkbox"/> Dark <input type="checkbox"/> Noisy <input type="checkbox"/> Busy <input type="checkbox"/> Cluttered <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____	
What items were near fallen resident? <input type="checkbox"/> Bed <input type="checkbox"/> Wheelchair <input type="checkbox"/> Walker <input type="checkbox"/> Chair/Recliner <input type="checkbox"/> Toilet/Commode <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
Equipment Used at time of fall: <input type="checkbox"/> Total Lift <input type="checkbox"/> Sit-to-Stand Lift <input type="checkbox"/> Bath Chair <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____	
Other Environment Factors: _____	

DRAW THE SCENE	
Draw the scene of the fall. Be descriptive. Include the resident's position, equipment, assistive devices,	
FALL ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS	
Use the 5 Whys to identify the root cause of the fall – Ask why until reach the cause of the fall. Verify this result is the root cause by asking if this reason was removed, would the fall have occurred?	
Problem Statement: _____ (One sentence description of event)	WHY?
_____	WHY?
_____	WHY?
_____	WHY?
_____	WHY?
_____	ROOT CAUSE(S)
1. _____	
2. _____	
3. _____	
To validate Root Causes – Ask the following: If you removed this Root Cause, would this event have been prevented?	
ACTION PLAN	
What can be done to avoid future falls (intervention)? _____	
Care plan Updated? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	
Signature of PPFH Leader/Facilitator: _____	Time Huddle Completed: _____
Fall Committee Review & Action: _____	Date: _____
Fall Committee Signature: _____	Date: _____
QAPI Committee Review & Action: _____	Date: _____
QAPI Committee Signature: _____	Date: _____

FSI -- Fall Scene Investigation Report

Facility Name: _____
 Resident Name: _____ Med. Rec. # _____ Room # _____
 Date of Fall _____ Time of Fall: _____ AM / PM Admit Date: _____
 Staff / Witness present at / or finding resident after fall: _____

FALL DESCRIPTION DETAILS:	
<p>1. Factors observed at time of fall:</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Resident lost their balance <input type="checkbox"/> Resident slipped (give details): <input type="checkbox"/> Lost strength/appeared to get weak <input type="checkbox"/> Wheelchair / bed brakes unlocked <input type="checkbox"/> Bed height not appropriate <input type="checkbox"/> Equipment malfunction (specify): <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental noise <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental factors (circle or write in): clutter, furniture, item out of reach, lighting, wet floor, other (specify)	<p>2. Draw a picture of area and position in which resident was found. (e.g. face down, on back / R or L side, position of arms and legs, furniture /equipment /devices nearby)</p> <p>*If fall within 5 feet of transfer surface do orthostatic BP</p>
<p>3. Fall Summary:</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Found on the floor (unwitnessed) <input type="checkbox"/> Fall to the floor (witnessed) <input type="checkbox"/> Intercepted fall (resident lowered to floor) <input type="checkbox"/> Self-reported fall	<p>4. Fall Location</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Resident room <input type="checkbox"/> Activity Room <input type="checkbox"/> Hallway <input type="checkbox"/> Dining room/day room <input type="checkbox"/> Bathroom [CHECK TOILET CONTENTS] <input type="checkbox"/> Toilet contains urine /feces <input type="checkbox"/> Shower/tub room <input type="checkbox"/> Outside building on premises / off premises <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) :
<p>5. What was resident doing during or just prior to fall?</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Ambulating <input type="checkbox"/> Attempting self-transfer <input type="checkbox"/> Transfer assisted by staff <input type="checkbox"/> Reaching for something <input type="checkbox"/> Slide out / fall from wheelchair <input type="checkbox"/> Rolling/sliding out of bed <input type="checkbox"/> Sitting on shower/toilet chair <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	<p>6. What type of assistance was resident receiving at time of fall?</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Assisted per care plan: <input type="checkbox"/> Alone and unattended <input type="checkbox"/> Assisted with more help than care plan describes

FSI -- Fall Scene Investigation Report

Facility Name: _____
 Resident Name: _____ Med. Rec. # _____ Room # _____

7. What did the resident say they were trying to do just before they fell?	
CONTRIBUTING FACTORS TO HELP IDENTIFY ROOT CAUSE OF FALL:	
<p>8. Describe resident's mental status prior to fall:</p> <p>How does this compare to the resident's usual mental status?</p>	<p>9. Describe resident's psychological status prior to fall:</p> <p>How does this compare to the resident's usual psychological status?</p>
<p>10. Footwear at time of fall:</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Shoes <input type="checkbox"/> Bare feet <input type="checkbox"/> Gripper Socks <input type="checkbox"/> Slippers <input type="checkbox"/> Socks <input type="checkbox"/> Off load boots <input type="checkbox"/> Amputee	<p>11. Gait Assist devices at time of fall:</p> <input type="checkbox"/> None <input type="checkbox"/> Has device and was in use <input type="checkbox"/> Has device but was not in use
<p>12. Did vision or hearing contribute to fall?</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Explain:	<p>13. Alarm being used at the time of the fall?</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If yes, was it working correctly?
<p>14. Time last toileted or Catheter emptied:</p> <p>_____ AM /PM</p> <p>Continence at above time:</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Wet <input type="checkbox"/> Soiled <input type="checkbox"/> Dry	<p>15. Did fall occur?</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Next to transfer surface (assess postural hypotension) <input type="checkbox"/> 10' from transfer surface (assess balance) <input type="checkbox"/> > 15' from transfer surface (strength/endurance)
<p>16. Medications given in last 8 hours prior to fall (check all that apply):</p> <input type="checkbox"/> Anti-anxiety <input type="checkbox"/> Anticoagulant <input type="checkbox"/> Antidepressant <input type="checkbox"/> Antipsychotic <input type="checkbox"/> Cardiovascular <input type="checkbox"/> Diuretic <input type="checkbox"/> Laxative <input type="checkbox"/> Narcotic <input type="checkbox"/> Seizure <input type="checkbox"/> New meds/changed dose within last 30 days	

FSI -- Fall Scene Investigation Report

Facility Name: _____	
Resident Name: _____	Med. Rec. # _____ Room # _____
17. Vital Signs: <input type="checkbox"/> Were temperature, pulse, respirations and/or O2 Sat out of normal range for this resident? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Did orthostatic BPs suggest the BP change contributed to the fall? Lying _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Sitting _____ <input type="checkbox"/> No Standing _____	18. (Blood Sugar check is required for diabetic resident) Was resident's Blood Sugar significant? <input type="checkbox"/> Not applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Blood sugar within normal range for resident <input type="checkbox"/> Blood sugar out of normal range (describe): _____ 19. Does recent Hgb show evidence of Anemia? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Re-Creation of Last 3 Hours Before Fall	
Below, the primary Nursing Assistant who observed and /or assisted the resident during the three hours prior to the fall will write a description to re-create the life of the resident before the fall:	
PRINT NAME: _____	
Re-enactment of fall (to be done if Root Cause is NOT determined):	
Fall Huddle (What was different THIS time?)	
ROOT CAUSE OF THIS FALL:	
Review of Contributing factors (Check all that apply):	
<input type="checkbox"/> Alarm <input type="checkbox"/> Amount of assistance in effect <input type="checkbox"/> Assistive/protective device <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental factors/items out of reach <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Noise <input type="checkbox"/> Footwear <input type="checkbox"/> Medication	<input type="checkbox"/> Medical status/Physical condition/Diagnoses <input type="checkbox"/> Mood or mental status <input type="checkbox"/> Toileting status <input type="checkbox"/> Vision or hearing <input type="checkbox"/> Vital signs abnormal or significant <input type="checkbox"/> Last 3 hours "re-creation" issue/s

FSI -- Fall Scene Investigation Report

Facility Name: _____	
Resident Name: _____	Med. Rec. # _____ Room # _____
What appears to be the root cause of the fall?	
Describe initial interventions to prevent future falls:	
<input type="checkbox"/> Care Plan Updated <input type="checkbox"/> Nurse Aide Assignment updated	
NURSE COMPLETING FORM:	
Printed Name: _____	Date and Time: _____
Signature: _____	
Falls Team Meeting Notes:	
Summary of meeting:	
Conclusion:	
Additional Care Plan / Nurse Aide Assignment Updates:	
Signatures with Date and Time:	

If you would like
additional technical
assistance, please let
us know.

You can work with our mentors one-on-one.

Homework

This week

- **Please Send in RCAs**
 - We have a few but would like more

Submit Homework via Dropbox

- Now on our website (direct link to dropbox with instructions)
- <https://www.dakotageriatrics.org/project-echo-can/phase-2-continuing-education>
- Please note we might share your work with the group (if you don't want to share, please let us know)



Phase 2 – Continuing Education

Our team at Dakota Geriatrics in collaboration with [Center for Rural Health](#) is participating in the [Project ECHO COVID-19 Action Network](#) as an official training center for nursing homes. If you have questions, please email us at: dakotageriatrics@und.edu.

Dropbox Information

- [Dropbox How To](#)
- [Access Dropbox](#)

Curriculum Resources and Recorded Sessions

Phase 2, Week 5:

Phase 2, Week 4: