



Duke University Health System 2009 Ambulatory Falls Prevention “Falls Prevention Champions”

Role & Responsibilities of “Falls Prevention Champions”

“Falls Prevention Champions” are on-site resources for their co-workers in their work areas. They play a critical part in the successful implementation of the falls prevention program in ambulatory areas. They will also play a critical role in helping the manager sustain the program.

Falls Prevention Champions are expected to:

- Serve as the role model on fall prevention tactics in their area
- Serve as the role model on safe patient handling and transfers in the work area
- Mentor and encourage colleagues to practice safe patient handling
- Share information appropriate to their scope of practice with colleagues and provide all documentation to manager
- Encourage co-workers to report all incidents related to falls to the manager and in the online Safety Report System (SRS)
- Participate in corrective action plans related to falls incidents in collaboration with manager
- Conduct monthly environmental safety rounds in collaboration with manager
- Serve as the liaison between management and colleagues to provide feedback, concerns, or success stories.