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Fall Prevention: Client Safety Comes First

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According to geriatrician [Mary Elizabeth Tinetti, MD, Yale Medical Group](#), "falls are not only associated with significant injury and death in the older population, but are also linked to reduced independence and early admission to long-term-care facilities."

Fall prevention strategies and safety measures may reduce fall-related injuries, emergency room visits, hospitalizations and nursing home placements. Our care managers complete fall safety assessments with every client to identify their safety risks. Our skilled caregivers are trained in client safety interventions and enrichment activities and are supervised by our care managers.

We work with our clients and their families to incorporate best practices in our recommendations, which may include:

- Reviewing medications which may place them at greater risk for falls.
- Identifying changes in hearing/vision that may affect their ability to navigate their environment.
- A physical therapy consult to improve balance and mobility.
- A home safety evaluation to identify environmental hazards.
- Promoting routine and specialized health care to identify and treat medical issues that may contribute to a fall.

Fall prevention is one of [The Joint Commission's 2014 Home Care National Patient Safety Goals](#). Stowell Associates is accredited by The Joint Commission. Contact us today at (414) 963-2600 to schedule a personalized home safety evaluation.

Since 1983 improving the quality of the day to day lives of our clients and their families in ways both small and large. Nationally Accredited by the Joint Commission. Locally owned by professional social workers who are leaders locally and nationally. Recognized as a Top Workplace 2011-2014 receiving Best in Class and a Special Leadership Award (2011), a Training Award (2012) and Best in Class and a Special Management Award (2014). Torch Award recipient for Business Ethics and Integrity from the Wisconsin Better Business Bureau (2004).

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