

Fall TIPS Quality Audit Instructions

1) Is the patient's Fall TIPS report hanging at the bedside?

Instructions: Record "Yes" if there is a Fall TIPS poster hanging at the bedside and it is for the correct patient.

Record "No" if there is no Fall TIPS poster hanging at the bedside or if it is for the incorrect patient (i.e. wrong patient name).

2) Can the patient/family verbalize the patient's fall risk factors?

Instructions: Record "Yes" if the patient/family can verbalize any of the fall risk factors that are displaying on the Fall TIPS poster.

Record "No" if the patient/family cannot verbalize any of the fall risk factors that are displaying on the Fall TIPS poster.

Record "N/A" if the patient is nonverbal or not alert and oriented, and no family is present.

3) Can the patient/family verbalize the patient's personalized fall prevention plan?

Instructions: Record "Yes" if the patient/family can verbalize any of the fall prevention interventions that are displaying on the Fall TIPS poster.

Record "No" if the patient/family cannot verbalize any of the fall prevention interventions that are displaying on the Fall TIPS poster.

Record "N/A" if the patient is nonverbal or not alert and oriented, and no family is present.

4) If you answered "No" to any question, did you provide peer-to-peer feedback?

Instructions: Record "Yes" if you followed up with the nurse whose patient you audited.

Record "No" if you did not follow up with the nurse whose patient you audited.

Record "Other" if you would like to share why you did not provide peer-to-peer feedback.

**We have found that the peer-to-peer feedback piece is especially important for implementation. By following up with the nurse, you can identify if there is a gap in knowledge or another barrier to Fall TIPS completion that we can address.

Conduct 5 audits per month per unit.