FALLS Harm Top Ten Checklist

TOP TEN EVIDENCE BASED INTERVENTIONS				
PROCESS CHANGE	IN PLACE	NOT DONE	WILL ADOPT	NOTES (RESPONSIBLE AND BY WHEN?)
Fall and Injury risk assessment on admission.				
Re-assess fall and injury risk daily, and also with changes in the patient's condition.				
Implement patient specific intervention to prevent hazards of immobility: Rehab referral, progressive activity and ambulation program.				
Communication risk across the team: Hand-off forms, visual cues, huddles				
Rounding every 1-2 hours for high risk patients; address needs (the 3 P's – pain, potty, position-pressure).				
Individualize interventions Non-skid floor mats, hip protectors, individualized toileting schedule, adjust frequency of rounds.				
Pharmacist medication review – avoid unnecessary hypnotic, sedatives.				
Multidisciplinary input to falls prevention PT, OT, MD, RN, Pharm.D.				
Include patients and families and caregivers in efforts to prevent falls. Educate regarding fall prevention measures and family members staying with the patient.				
Post fall huddles - occur immediately after event; analyze how and why; implement the change(s).				





