## 10 Easy Steps to

# Prevent Falls





Exercise regularly to help build muscle strength, balance and reduce fatigue.



Install handholds for toilet and tub, and use a shower chair when bathing.



Instead of walking around barefoot or in socks, always wear slippers or shoes with nonslip soles.

### **𝗐** Use Support

If needed for balance and stability when walking, use a cane or walker.

### **Monitor Meds**

Dizziness or fatigue might be linked to medications, so talk to your doctor about side effects.

## Check Hearing and Vision

Have regular, comprehensive hearing and vision exams and keep prescription eyeglasses up-to-date.



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### Avoid Tipsiness

Drink alcohol in moderation, and know any interactions it may have with your prescription medications.



Ask your doctor about this supplement, which can improve muscle strength and balance.



#### \*\*\*Omit Hazards

Make sure household rooms and hallways are always well lit. Avoid throw rugs and slippery floors.



#### Discuss Risks

Get tailored advice from your health care provider about preventing falls.



If you're over 65, talk to your doctor about when to get a bone density scan to check your bone strength.

Visit kpssc.org/fall-prevention or scan the OR code to the left for more resources.



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