








Example



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1) Have high risk medications for falls been identified?	√	√	√	√	X	80%
2) Have any high falls risk medications been prescribed during the inpatient stay?	√	√	√	√	X	80%
3) If so, has rationale for prescribing been identified?	√	√	√	√	X	80%
Orthostatic Hypotension:						
1) Has the patient been assessed for orthostatic hypotension?	√	√	√	√	X	80%
2) Has lying and standing blood pressure been recorded at least once?	√	√	√	√	X	80%
Mobility:						
1) Has the patient's mobility needs been established at the time of assessment?	√	√	√	√	X	80%
2) Have mobility aids been left in accessible areas?	√	√	X	√	X	60%
3) If the patient has a walking aid at home, has this been provided within 24 hours?	X	√	X	√	X	40%
Compliance/Non Compliance						
Total	0%	100%	0%	100%	0%	40%

Comments: Record here when a deliberate change was introduced and/or an event took place. Use this information to annotate your run charts.

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Compliance check using clinical records

In order to consider if every patient in your service area has had a risk assessment for falls undertaken, we need to undertake a compliance check using **five random charts**.

Key considerations for the risk assessment must include

- **Medication**
- **Orthostatic Hypotension**
- **Mobility status**

Participating improvement teams are requested to undertake a 'snapshot' compliance prior to the collaborative and monthly thereafter using the tool attached. This involves reviewing five random patient clinical notes to see if a risk assessment was undertaken and if it included the components on the compliance tool attached.

Definitions which you may consider applying to your review and associated compliance tool:

Medications = A drug or other form of medicine that is used to treat or prevent disease

Orthostatic Hypotension = A drop in blood pressure on standing and is a contributing factor to falls (Ooi *et al.*, 2000, Lahrman *et al.*, 2011)

Mobility Status = The ability to move freely and easily

See compliance tool example with data and a blank copy of the compliance tool for your completion.
To note: Similar to the safety stick, we will ask you to scan and email hard copies of your records monthly.