Only Leaves Should Fall
6 Steps to Prevent a Fall

**Balance and Exercise**
Work on improving your balance, strength, and flexibility. Inquire about simple, proven exercises that can help.

**Stay Safe at Home**
Check your home for trip and fall hazards. This can include, but is not limited to, securing or removing throw rugs and electrical cords, having adequate lighting in stairways, and installing grab bars. Avoid rushing.

**Vision and Hearing**
Get your vision and hearing checked annually. Your eyes and ears are key in keeping your balance.

**Review your Medications**
Make sure the side effects of your medications aren’t contributing to your risk of falling. Talk to your doctor and make sure you’re taking medications only as prescribed.

**Talk to your Family**
Falls can be a serious issue, so keeping your family in the know is important. Everyone can help play a role in fall safety.

**Talk to your Doctor**
Get a fall risk assessment and tell your doctor about any past falls.

For more fall prevention information and proven resources, call ADRC (920) 448-4300 or De Pere Health Dept. (920) 339-4054

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**WI Fall Data**
51.9% of all trauma cases in the Northeast Region are falls.

- 48% Falls
- 23% Vehicle Accidents
- 20% Other
- 9% Traumatic Injuries

**2018 WI State EMS Data**

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**23 FALLS/DAY**
seen at 4 Green Bay Emergency Rooms