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Subject: Study of Best Practice in Fall Prevention and Management in In-patient
Acute Hospitals and Intra-hospital Transfer Policies

REQUEST

We are undertaking a study of best practice in the prevention and management of falls (including slips and trips) and aligned intra-hospital inpatient transfer procedures. As part of this work we are undertaking a documentary analysis of policies, guidance and care plans in operation in English NHS Trust in-patient units to examine variations in assessment of risk, vulnerable populations, assessment instruments and overall strategies that could improve practice.

We appreciate NHS organisations are very busy but would value your cooperation with the following request. We would appreciate if you could send in electronic format the following documents which you may have in operation in your organisation:

- In-patient Falls Policy or Fall Prevention Policy
- Falls Assessment and Care Plan
- Policy for management of slips, trips and falls
- Policy for intra-hospital transfer of in-patients e.g. Intensive Care Unit to Imaging Department, etc.

We appreciate that in some organisations these documents will be separate and in others incorporated in a global policy document with elements appearing as appendices. We would value receiving the full complement of policies, guidance, plans and procedures and assorted reporting documentation in operation in your organisation.

RESPONSE

Please see the attachments