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What is the timeline allocated within your facility for completion of an initial falls assessment upon admission (i.e. 4 hrs, 24 hrs etc.).

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| **Sandra Parsons**  **DOCUMENT MANAGEMENT SPECIALIST**  **PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE**  596 Davis Drive, Newmarket, ON, L3Y 2P9 **T:** (905) 895-4521 ext. 2435  **Email:** [sparsons@southlakeregional.org](mailto:sparsons@southlakeregional.org)    [cid:image001.jpg@01D53598.3843B480](http://www.southlake.ca/) | Hi Melissa – our standard of care states 24 hours…..regards, Sandra |  |
| **Rebecca Law, RN, BScN, CNeph(C)**  Clinical Practice Leader  *In-Centre Hemodialysis – CP2, T4  & Satellite Sites*  **Scarborough Health Network**  **C:** 647-200-3880| **T:**416-431-8200 x2293  **Email:** [rlaw@shn.ca](mailto:rlaw@shn.ca)  cid:fab6bbe7-3960-458d-98f5-18cafe8ba0afcid:image004.png@01D635BA.843FC810 | Typically we allow 24 hours upon initial admission for the falls assessment to be completed. I have attached our Policy for Falls Prevention and Management for Adults. |  |
| Grace Sutherland, RN, BScN, MN  Almonte General Hospital  Informatics Coordinator/Clinical Educator  613-256-2500, ext 2507  [gsutherland@agh-fvm.com](mailto:gsutherland@agh-fvm.com) | We are part of a network that uses Cerner for charting and the Morse Fall Risk tool is generated automatically as part of the admission assessment.  It is expected to be done within a few hours of arrival to the unit.  The Morse Fall Risk tool is expected to be completed again 48 hours later and on the continuing complex care unit it is completed weekly.  I have attached our Fall Risk Reduction policy. |  |
| Hartley, Heather <HHartley@qhc.on.ca> |  |  |
| Sarah Jorgensen RN, BA, BScN, MSc Clinical Educator – Critical Care Unit and Medical Cardiology (C5)Brant Community Healthcare System 200 Terrace Hill Street Brantford, ON N3R 1G9 Telephone: (519)751-5544 ext. 4275 Email: [sarah.jorgensen@bchsys.org](mailto:sarah.jorgensen@bchsys.org) | Please see attached our Fall and Fall Risk Assessment policy. |  |
| Kelly Verhoeve RN BScN  Manager Professional Development  Professional Practice Facilitator & Accreditation Coordinator  Woodstock Hospital | Please find our policy attached for Falls assessment |  |
| George Fieber RN  Nursing Practice Leader  Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre  Office: (807) 684-6691  Cell   : (807) 629-0889  "Practice is the best of all instructors"- Syrus | I am attaching our policy. Expectation is Morse Falls assessment with 24 hrs of admission and then daily. |  |
| Sue Bow  Critical Care Educator  Pembroke Regional Hospital  613-732-2811 Ext 6644 | We do a fall risk assessment on arrival in ER- part of the triage process.It is part of the eCTAS  Upon admission-here is our policy |  |
| Karen Davies <Karen.Davies@stegh.on.ca> | There is no timeline allocated on the policy however admission information (which this is a part of) is to be completed within 24 hours of admission. STEGH uses the electronic powerform in Cerner and the risk assessment is completed upon admission to a unit.  Policy states…..All patients must be assessed for risk of falls upon admission; upon unit transfer; with significant change in clinical status and post fall. |  |
| Cathy Goacher  Director, Professional Practice  Halton Healthcare  3001 Hospital Gate  Oakville, ON  L6M 0L8  905-845-2571 ext. 6801 | Here is our Falls Management Policy which I hope you find helpful. It includes the information you’re looking for regarding time to completion. |  |
| Corinne Savignac, R.N., BScN,  Nurse Clinician General Internal Medicine  705-523-7100  Extension 3315  **Health Sciences North | Horizon Santé-Nord**  41 Ramsey Lake Road  Sudbury, Ontario P3E 5J1   E-mail: [csavignac@hsnsudbury.ca](mailto:csavignac@hsnsudbury.ca)  http://intranet/portal/Portals/35/HSN_logo.jpg | Here is our policy – it is to be done on admission. |  |
| Daphne Flatt, MEd., BSc. (OT), OT Reg. (Ont.)  Collaborative Practice Leader – Rehabilitation Sciences  North York General Hospital  Status Only Lecturer, Dept. of Occupational Science & Occupational Therapy, University of Toronto  (416)756-6667  [Daphne.Flatt@nygh.on.ca](mailto:Daphne.Flatt@nygh.on.ca)  cid:image007.png@01D6508D.EC8C0B20 | Our Falls Prevention Program is applicable to multiple areas of admission (ED, outpatient clinics, inpatient units), with the frequency  of assessment noted below – specific hours are not attached since timing varies by area of care.  ***Frequency of Falls Risk Assessment***  ● On admission/registration/triage.  ● On transfers between in-patient units.  ● Following any change in status, condition, or after a fall. |  |
| Jessica Schlegel <JRSchlegel@osmh.on.ca> | Hi Melissa, I have attached our standard of care we just revised in the past year to condense a few documents into 1. For our Inpatient units the risk assessment needs to be completed within 4hours of admission. |  |
| **Paula Shing PT, MScCH** Manager, Academic Practice, Health Disciplines  Status-Only Appointment Lecturer:  Department of Physical Therapy  University of Toronto  **T** 416-461-8252 x 2145  **F** 416-461-2089  [paula.shing@sinaihealth.ca](mailto:paula.shing@sinaihealth.ca) [sinaihealth.ca](https://www.sinaihealth.ca/)  1 Bridgepoint Drive, Toronto, ON  M4M 2B5  SH-BAH_RGB_300 | Fall Assessment to be completed within 24 hours of Admission (we used an Adapted MORSE Assessment)  Falls plan of care to be completed within 72 hours of MORSE Assessment Completion  Both are built into our electronic  health record |  |
| **Ellen Wiley, RN, BScN**  Clinical Educator,  Staff Development,  Woodstock, Ontario  310 Juliana Drive,  Woodstock, ON  P. (519) 421-4233 ext. 2117  F. (519) 421-4236 | *What is the timeline allocated within your facility for completion of an initial falls assessment upon admission (i.e. 4 hrs, 24 hrs etc.)?*  Our admission documentation, including fall risk assessment, behavior safety, pressure ulcer risk, vital signs, and a head to toe assessment, at minimum,  are all to be completed within 4 hours of in- patient admission. |  |
| Mathur, Amanda <MathurA@sah.on.ca> | Our policy outlines within 1 hour of admission to inpatient units. We are working on a process for screening ED outpatients at triage. We have moved to an electronic documentation system where Falls assessment is populated as part of nursing standards of care. This shows up on a “worklist” with a time clock and displays as overdue if not completed. We are working on an auditing process to review how often these are overdue but since moving to electronic assessments this has helped to ensure more timely completion. I’ve attached our most recent falls policy. |  |
| Selina Fleming MN, BScN, RN  HPHA Educator  Huron Perth Healthcare Alliance  Phone: [519.272.8210 x2325](tel:(519)%20272-8210)  Clinton Public Hospital - St. Marys Memorial Hospital - Seaforth Community Hospital - Stratford General Hospital | I’ve attached our Falls prevention policy above. Our policy states that the[Morse Fall Risk Assessment](https://intranet.hpha.ca/myalliance/doc.aspx?id=4660) will be completed on all admitted patients (except newborns and non-ambulatory infants) as part of the Nursing Admission Assessment in the Safety section. The Nursing admission assessment is completed at the time of the admission (it’s the initial head to toe).  Unfortunately, our policy doesn’t include a more specific timeframe (i.e; within 4 hours, etc). |  |
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