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# **NCO Falls Free**

**Iowa Falls Prevention Coalition** 

## **Coalition Charter**

**Vision:** Iowans will have fewer falls and fallrelated injuries, maximizing their independence and quality of life.

**Mission:** To facilitate collaboration among state, community, and healthcare system partners to reduce falls by building awareness, providing education, and supporting implementation of fall prevention efforts. national council on aging. Falls Prevention Coalition

# **3-Year Strategic Action Plan Goals**

Goal #1	Increase awareness and expand knowledge around falls risk and prevention to reduce falls, fall related injuries, and death in Iowa
Goal #2	Increase access to falls prevention programs and support services
Goal #3	Increase the percentage of Iowans who live in safe homes and safe communities
Goal #4	Sustain the efforts of the Iowa Falls Prevention Coalition

# Membership

We are 73 members strong with many organizations having been a member since the beginning – 2012

- Hospitalists
- Long term care
- Outpatient
- Community-based organizations
- State agencies government
- Academia
- Associations

The coalition meets every other month on the second Thursday at 8:30 AM.



# Iowa Community HUB

The HUB operates as a Community Care Hub (CCH) connecting lowans to local or virtual evidence-based programs (EBPs) for preventing or managing chronic conditions, including falls prevention programs.

The Iowa Community HUB website is a resource for 3 audiences:

1) **Individuals and Families** seeking more information about healthy living and/or want to be connected to resources and programs in their community.

2) **Program Providers** seeking resources and information to help them be more successful in delivering programs and services.

3) **Clinicians** seeking to learn more about evidence-based programs and easy ways to find and refer to those programs.

HUB website: https://iacommunityhub.org/

IFPC webpage: <a href="https://iacommunityhub.org/iafallscoalition/">https://iacommunityhub.org/iafallscoalition/</a>



# Iowa Community HUB

- The homepage includes a Program Locator to search for programs within Iowa.
- The site also includes a Program Library to learn more about programs.

Use the drop-down menu to display locations of programs in your area. Click on the program for registration information.

Virtual/online programs show up in the list below, but not on the map.



#### **Falls Prevention**











Tai Chi for Arthritis and Falls Prevention Tai Chi has a significant protective effect on fall risk among older adults



### Iowa Community HUB

• Within the **Individuals and Families** page: people can take a falls risk test and print off to share with a provider; access quick links to programs and services within their zip code and access caregiver resources.

 Within the Program Provider page: program delivery organizations can access various resources to help them be more successful in delivering their falls prevention programs. Resources include links to tools kits, guidebooks, and trainings.

• Within **Clinicians** page: clinicians can learn more about evidencebased programs and access various resources to help in facilitating screening, enhancing patient counseling, and support for making a referral.











#### Make a Referral

Do you know someone who could benefit from participating in a health and wellness program to improve their quality of life? Whether yo a friend, caregiver, or a health professional referring an individual, it's easy to make a referral. Just fill out the form below and submit.

When you make a referral, a HUB Navigator will contact the individual within 48 hours and help them get connected with a program and/ needs.

#### Click here to learn more about our HUB Navigators

Clicking the button below will take you to a secure referral form. Please fill out the form completely.

For a list of programs, check out the Program Library for more information.



Click Here to Make a Referral

# Easily make referrals to programs

## How do I join the Coalition?

- Co-chair schedules a zoom meeting or phone call with interested parties to answer any questions
- Shares the Iowa Falls Prevention Coalition Charter
- Invitation sent to attend upcoming coalition meeting to learn more
- Coalition Commitment Form



#### Coalition Partner Commitment Letter

I/our organization/agency is committed to being an active member of the Iowa Falls Prevention Coalition. I/we are committed to the mission, vision, and goals that have been decided by the Coalition. We are committed to the planning and collaboration that such coalitions undertake. We acknowledge the contributions and expectations of the other partners of the Coalition.

#### As general evidence of our commitment, we agree to do the following:

- Appoint a representative(s) to attend coalition meetings and activities.
- Appoint a representative to serve as our voting member designee (if applicable).
- Read minutes, reports, and other documents to keep abreast of coalition decisions/activities.
- Disseminate relevant information to organizational members/employees/students through list servs, websites and newsletters.
- Keep coalition informed of my/our organization's related activities.

#### Specifically, our organization/agency will commit the following resources to the coalition. Check any that apply:

- Provide contributions of staff time and material resources
- Disseminate relevant information to organizational members/employees/students, and partner organizations
- Provide connections to other key organizations/individuals
- Provide meeting space if needed
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

I/our organization/agency may opt out of supporting a specific Coalition activity however, we agree to not publicly discredit any Coalition activity. We understand that membership in the Coalition does not entitle us to claim endorsement of the Coalition. There is to be no use of the logo without express permission from the coalition steering committee.

Signature of Agency/Organization Leader/Individual:

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Lead Contact Info for Agency/Organization

Print Name & Job Title	
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Phone Number	
Address	

Please list out all agency/organization representatives (if applicable):



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