

Steps to Prevent a Fall

**MOVE
IMPROVE
REMOVE®**

Most Falls are Preventable

Follow these steps to help prevent slips, trips and falls so you can keep enjoying the fun things in life.

1 **MOVE** your body

- ▶ Build your balance, strength and flexibility with regular physical activity
- ▶ Enhance your stability and co-ordination with activities such as walking, swimming or Tai Chi
- ▶ Increase the intensity of your physical activity over time to build stronger muscles

2 **IMPROVE** your health

- ▶ Review medications regularly with your healthcare provider or pharmacist and discuss any side effects, such as feeling dizzy or sleepy
- ▶ Keep up your social activities
- ▶ Routinely clean your teeth and gums so you can eat a nutritious diet
- ▶ Check your eyesight and hearing regularly

3 **REMOVE** hazards

- ▶ Keep your floors clutter free
- ▶ Install grab bars in the bathroom
- ▶ Use handrails and turn on lights on all staircases
- ▶ Wear well-fitting and supportive footwear inside and outside

