



# FALLS PREVENTION SOLUTION

## KIT FOR HIGH-RISK PATIENTS

### Our Recommendations

Falls cost the NHS over £2 billion per year with 83 per cent of in-patient falls occurring in the acute environment.<sup>1</sup> Visual cueing materials make it easier for everyone to identify and observe higher risk patients, which can help reduce the number of falls.

The new Falls Prevention Kit from Medline is a proven visual cueing solution that raises awareness about patients who are at higher risk of falling.<sup>2</sup> It also enables patients to keep their personal belongings within reach, wherever they are, further reducing their risk of falling.

This kit is suitable for patients experiencing confusion due to dementia or delirium and/or exhibiting the following:

- Agitation and wandering
- Inability to use the call bell reliably
- Challenging behaviour
- Reduced safety awareness and disorientation
- Likely to attempt to mobilise on their own against advice.

Kit Contents	Size	Medline Code	NPC Code	Packaging
1 yellow 100% polyester blanket	96 x 71 cm	MDTEFPKIT	CVW127	1 kit/bag 20 bags/cs
1 pair of yellow, double-tread falls prevention slipper socks	XL (UK 5 – 9)			

**For further information, please refer to your Medline Falls Prevention Pocket Guide or contact [insert name of appropriate person(s)].**

<sup>1</sup> The Incidence and Costs of Inpatient Falls in Hospitals July 2017, report, NHS Improvement, [https://improvement.nhs.uk/documents/1471/Falls\\_report\\_July2017.v2.pdf](https://improvement.nhs.uk/documents/1471/Falls_report_July2017.v2.pdf).

<sup>2</sup> Medline data on file

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