Johns Hopkins Fall Risk Assessment Tool

If patient has any of the following conditions, check the box and apply Fall Risk interventions as indicated.	
High Fall Risk - Implement High Fall Risk interventions per protocol History of more than one fall within 6 months before admission Patient has experienced a fall during this hospitalization Patient is deemed high fall-risk per protocol (e.g., seizure precautions)	
Low Fall Risk - Implement Low Fall Risk interventions per protocol Complete paralysis or completely immobilized Do not continue with Fall Risk Score Calculation if any of the above conditions are checked.	
FALL RISK SCORE CALCULATION – Select the appropriate option in each category. Add all points to calculate Fall Risk Score. (If no option is selected, score for category is 0)	Points
Age (single-select) Go - 69 years (1 point) Go - 70 - 79 years (2 points) Go greater than or equal to 80 years (3 points)	
Fall History (single-select) ☐ One fall within 6 months before admission (5 points)	
Elimination, Bowel and Urine (single-select) Incontinence (2 points) Urgency or frequency (2 points) Urgency/frequency and incontinence (4 points)	
Medications: Includes PCA/opiates, anticonvulsants, anti-hypertensives, diuretics, hypnotics, laxatives, sedatives, and psychotropics (single-select) □ On 1 high fall risk drug (3 points) □ On 2 or more high fall risk drugs (5 points) □ Sedated procedure within past 24 hours (7 points)	
Patient Care Equipment: Any equipment that tethers patient (e.g., IV infusion, chest tube, indwelling catheter, SCDs, etc.) (single-select) One present (1 point) Two present (2 points) 3 or more present (3 points)	
Mobility (multi-select; choose all that apply and add points together) Requires assistance or supervision for mobility, transfer, or ambulation (2 points) Unsteady gait (2 points) Visual or auditory impairment affecting mobility (2 points)	
Cognition (multi-select; choose all that apply and add points together) Altered awareness of immediate physical environment (1 point) Impulsive (2 points) Lack of understanding of one's physical and cognitive limitations (4 points)	
Total Fall Risk Score (Sum of all points per category)	
SCORING: 6-13 Total Points = Moderate Fall Risk. >13 Total Points = High Fall Risk	

