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### Morse Fall Scale

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

Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

Addressograph

Item			Score
1. History of falling (during or immediately prior to present hospital admission)	No	0	
	Yes	25	
2. Secondary diagnosis (more than one medical diagnosis listed on chart)	No	0	
	Yes	15	
3. Ambulatory aid			
none/bed rest/nurse assist		0	
crutches/cane/walker		15	
furniture		30	
4. Intravenous therapy	No	0	
	Yes	20	
5. Gait (If the patient is in a wheelchair, gait is scored according to gait used when transferring from wheelchair to bed.)			
normal/bed rest/wheelchair Patient walks unhesitantly with head erect, arms swinging freely at the side. If patient is immobile (i.e., on bedrest or in wheelchair), score 0.		0	
weak Patient is stooped but able to lift head while walking without losing balance. Steps are short. Patient may shuffle.		10	
impaired Patient may have difficulty rising from chair. Patient's head is down, balance is poor. Patient grasps tightly onto furniture/a support person/walking aid. Patient cannot walk without assistance, takes short steps, shuffles.		20	
6. Patient's Mental Status:			
oriented own ability		0	
overestimates or forgets limitations		15	
<b>Total Patient Score =</b>			



**Total Patient Score ≥ 25 indicates that patient is at risk for falls.**

**Completed by** \_\_\_\_\_

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