

ARIC Fall Calendar and Participant Instructions

- A. Included here are calendars to track your experience with falling for 6 months.
- B. Please place this calendar on your refrigerator, or someplace close by, so it will be where you can easily see it and remember to mark it each evening.
- C. Please mark on the calendar every day by recording:
 - a. **“F” if you did fall** or
 - b. **“N” if you did NOT fall**
- D. If you fall, please answer the questions at the bottom of the calendar about that fall. Please answer ALL of the questions. If you experience more than one fall in a given month, please answer these questions for the first fall only.
- E. At the end of each month, please tear off the calendar page, fold it up, and mail it.
- F. There is no need for a stamp because it is already stamped and ready to mail.
- G. If we do not receive your calendar at the beginning of each month, we will send you a post card to remind you to mail it in.
- H. If we don't receive your calendar for a few months in a row, we will call you and ask you about falling during this time period.
- I. At the end of the last month, please complete the Falls Evaluation Questions and mail it to us. It is already addressed and stamped.

SAMPLE CALENDAR						PATID #
<p>Mark “F” on each day you <u>DID</u> have a <u>FALL</u></p> <p>MARK “N” on each day you did <u>NOT</u> have a <u>FALL</u></p>						
SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31	<p><input type="checkbox"/> I DID <u>NOT</u> FALL THIS MONTH (mark “X” in this box if you did <u>not</u> fall this month)</p> <p>MAIL CALENDAR AT THE END OF THE MONTH</p>			

MONTH/YEAR			PATID #			
Mark "F" on each day you <u>DID</u> have a FALL						
MARK "N" on each day you did <u>NOT</u> have a FALL						
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MAIL CALENDAR AT THE END OF THE MONTH						

If you have a fall this month, please answer all questions below about the fall.					
If you fall more than once, please answer for the <u>first</u> fall this month.					
Answer <u>EVERY</u> question below about your fall. Mark "X" for YES or NO					
Location of Fall	YES	NO	Treatment	YES	NO
I was at my home	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N	I went to my doctor	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N
I was indoors (home/building)	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N	I went to an emergency room	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N
			I stayed overnight in hospital	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N
Getting Up	YES	NO	Reason for Fall	YES	NO
Someone had to help me up	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N	I lost my balance	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N
I needed to wait for help	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N	I slipped/tripped on something	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N
I used an emergency bracelet or necklace to get help	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N	I fainted	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N
			I felt dizzy	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N
Injury	YES	NO	I stood or sat up too quickly	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N
I hit my head	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N	My legs gave out	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N
I broke or fractured a bone	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N	I was rushing or distracted	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N
I had other type of injury	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N	I had trouble seeing	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N
I limited my physical activities	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N	I was in physical pain	<input type="checkbox"/> Y	<input type="checkbox"/> N
Write here any other reason you fell:					