# WHAT TO DO IF YOU FALL

## TRY NOT TO PANIC AND REST FOR A MOMENT.

### IF YOU CAN GET UP

Roll onto your side

Push up into sitting position

Turn onto your hands & knees

> Crawl to the nearest stable furniture e.g. bed, chair

Place your hands on the seat



Sit, rest, then tell 6 someone vou have fallen

Lean forward & push up with your other foot



Place one foot on the floor



## IF YOU ARE INJURED DO NOT TRY AND GET UP



#### **GET HELP**

Drag yourself to a phone

Call 911 and stay on the line



#### **KEEP WARM**

Use anything that is near: bedding, a coat, even a tablecloth



#### IF YOU ARE WET

If your bladder "lets go" in the fall, move away from the damp area to keep warm



#### **MOVE YOUR LIMBS**

Gently moving your arms and legs will help your circulation and reduce pressure areas.

## **Be Prepared**

- practice getting up before a fall occurs
- activate your personal alarm call system if you fall
- have your phone at table level for easier access
- find a daily telephone buddy

