## This Spring, Avoid the Fall

Slips, trips and falls are among the leading causes of injury to Kaiser Permanente workers. Take a safety walk to identify and reduce or eliminate potential hazards in your workplace.



Clean up spills quickly to prevent slips.

## This month help your team prevent slips, trips and falls.

Here's what you can do:

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## **1. TAKE A SAFETY WALK** Engage your co-workers in

a conversation about safety. Ask where is the next slip, trip or fall likely to occur?

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2. WRITE DOWN THEIR ANSWERS Choose one issue to discuss with your UBT co-leads. It could become your next UBT project.

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**3. FOLLOW-UP AND PREVENTION** Inform your co-workers what to do after a slip, trip or fall.

**HINT**: Share the sidebar tips.  $(\rightarrow)$ 



To prevent trips, clear clutter and secure loose cords.



Holding the handrail can reduce the risk of falls on stairs.

## What should you do after a FALL?

First, seek medical attention if needed, then do an assessment of what conditions led to the incident.

F	Floor	Where did the slip, trip or fall occur? What type of flooring is in the location? Was there a level change?
A	Assess	What caused the slip, trip or fall? Were there obstructions present, like cords or boxes? Was weather a factor?
L	Layout	Be specific and detailed about the location of the slip, trip or fall. What does the environment look like? Inside, outside, adequate lighting?
L	Learn	What can be learned and corrected to prevent another slip, trip or fall in this area? Can your unit-based team create a safety project around this issue?

