

Falls Prevention Coalition Meeting – November 20, 2013

Present: Thiel, Lombard, Graney, Stapleton, Holmes, White, students – Ebert and Tholen

- Students shared and solicited feedback on 2 display boards they created for presentations at First Free Church, Neumann Center, and at all 3 Shopkos on Senior Citizen Day (Dec 4). Six UW-La Crosse students will staff these boards, distribute handouts (www.lacrossestopfalls.org, home safety checks, magnets, Walk-Strong, Walk-Tall, Stepping On, etc.) promoting falls prevention, and will ask Seniors for ideas for Falls Prevention Week, 2014 and gather data on how many have fallen.
- Gwen Straker will start a Stepping On class at First Presbyterian Church in early January, 2014.
- Noreen will reach out to and invite recent graduates of Stepping On from Salzer Square and Gundersen to participate in the falls prevention and medication management research project in La Crosse.
- Tri-State Ambulance has had 9,792 emergency calls year to date with 15% of these fall related (1,478 falls). They are now using the electronic signature company-wide to document older fallers and to refer them to their medical facility.
- There will be NO MEETING in December, 2013.
- Next meeting will be on: January 29, 2014, 1:01 pm
Health Science Center, Room 2076
1300 Badger St., La Crosse

AGENDA - for January 29, 2014

- Plan for 2014 Falls Prevention Week:
 - Activities
 - Workshops
 - Demonstrations
 - Marketing
- Draft Budget: Students at UW-La Crosse Grant Writing Class
- Review similar Falls Prevention Weeks – www.BoulderCountyFallPrevention.org