

# Welcome



## HANYS Geriatric ED Bootcamp

Monday, August 1, 2022  
1:30 PM – 4:30 PM EST



### CONNECTING WITH INTERDISCIPLINARY COLLEAGUES FROM:

- ❖ SUNY Downstate University Hospital Brooklyn
- ❖ BronxCare Hospital
- ❖ Lincoln Hospital
- ❖ Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital
- ❖ O'Connor Hospital
- ❖ Cobleskill Regional Hospital
- ❖ Little Falls Hospital
- ❖ A.O. Fox Hospital Tri-Town Campus
- ❖ A.O. Fox Hospital
- ❖ Catholic Health Mercy Hospital
- ❖ North Central Bronx Hospital
- ❖ Saratoga Hospital
- ❖ SBH Health System
- ❖ Richmond University Medical Center
- ❖ Eastern Niagara Hospital





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## Our Vision

A world where all emergency departments provide the highest quality of care for older patients

## Our Mission

We bring best practice into action.

We transform and evaluate interdisciplinary best practice in geriatric emergency medicine, and then build and distribute practical, evidence-based clinical curriculum and quality improvement tools that support sustainable, quality care for older adults.





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# Learning Objectives

**By the end of this activity, you should be able to:**

- Describe the Level 3 components of a geriatric ED based on the GEDC Guidelines
- Demonstrate familiarity with the GEDC Geri ED implementation resources available to HANYS ED Sites
- Identify problems and opportunities in ED regarding care of their older patients
- Identify focused quality improvement projects that can be implemented over the next six months to improve care for older patients in your ED





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# HANYS GEDC Geri-ED Boot Camp

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<i>Time pm (EST)</i>	Topic	Presenter(s)
1:30-2:00 ( 30 mins)	Welcome & Introductions	HANYS/ GEDC
2:00-2:15 (15 mins)	Why GEDs & Accreditation Criteria	Kevin Biese
2:15-2:35 (20 mins) 2:35-2:55 (20 mins)	Case Studies (3 Breakout Rooms) Recap Case Studies	All
2:55-3:10 (15 mins)	Break	All
3:10- 4:10 ( 60 mins)	GED Implementation – GEDC QI Resources	GED Protocols - Pam Martin Falls & Mobility - Aaron Malsch Tips & Initiatives - Kevin Biese
4:10–4:15 (5 mins)	Closing Remarks	HANYS
4:15-4:30 (15 mins)	Next Steps & Wrap Up	GEDC



# Tips for Participation

## GET THE MOST OUT OF YOUR BOOTCAMP

### Open your zoom chat! (bottom toolbar)

We encourage dialogue in the **Zoom Group Chat**

Please write your comments, experiences at your hospital, feedback, questions.

### Course Pack

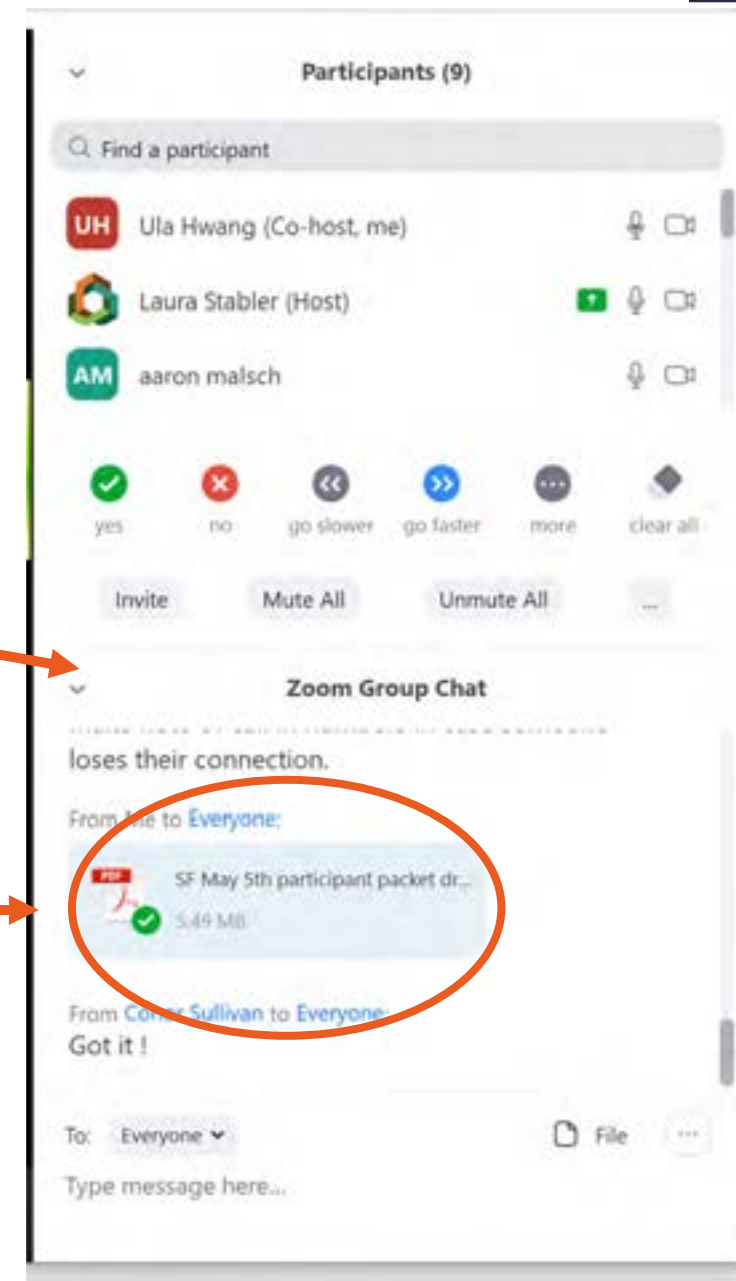
Your course pack is on the GEDC Bootcamp resource page and is available for download via Zoom Chat as attachment.

Other materials may be uploaded in the chat during the session. Presenters will let you know if new materials are available.

**Smile!**

**Turn on your cameras!** 😊

**If you have dialed in with separate audio, please let Lorraine know which phone number you're using so we can merge your audio and video!**





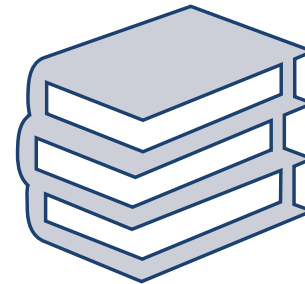
# What if I have Questions!?



Use the Zoom Chat feature! The chat will be monitored and we will try to answer questions there.



Consolidate your questions and email  
**CONTACT INFO**



Stay tuned for follow up sessions focused on the implementation of the toolkits we are briefly introducing today



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# Welcome

## New York City New York

- ❖ BronxCare Hospital  
Bronx, NY
- ❖ NYC Health + Hospitals/Lincoln Hospital  
Bronx, NY
- ❖ NYC Health + Hospitals/North Central  
Bronx Hospital  
Bronx, NY
- ❖ Richmond University Medical Center  
Staten Island, NY
- ❖ SBH Health System / St. Barnabas Hospital  
Bronx, NY
- ❖ SUNY Downstate University Hospital Brooklyn  
Brooklyn, NY



## Capital District New York

- ❖ The Albany Med System/Saratoga Hospital  
Saratoga Springs, NY

## Western New York

- ❖ Catholic Health/Mercy Hospital  
Buffalo, NY
- ❖ Eastern Niagara Hospital  
Lockport, NY

## Central New York

- ❖ Bassett/Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital  
Cooperstown, NY
- ❖ Bassett/A.O. Fox Hospital  
Oneonta, NY
- ❖ Bassett/A.O. Fox Hospital Tri-Town Campus  
Sidney, NY
- ❖ Bassett/Cobleskill Regional Hospital  
Cobleskill, NY
- ❖ Bassett/Little Falls Hospital  
Little Falls, NY
- ❖ Bassett/O'Connor Hospital  
Delhi, NY



# BronxCare Hospital

Level 1



## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

Annually in the ED

14,995



## TEAM MEMBERS

- Robert Favelukes, MD (Chairman, Emergency Medicine)
- Nelson Tieng, MD (Vice Chairman, Emergency Medicine)
- William Cheung, MD (Attending, Emergency Medicine)
- Najwa Khamashta, MSN, RN (Clinical Manager)



## UNIQUE ASPECT of BronxCare Hospital

*BronxCare Hospital cohorts its at risk geriatric population in Area B zone of the ED for elopement precautions.*

*The hospital also offers transportation (eg, livery, stretcher, van) to provide safe passage home.*





# Lincoln Hospital

15,521

## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

Annually in the ED

### TEAM MEMBERS

- Marc Kanter, MD (Associate Chief of Emergency Medicine)
- Lee Donner, MD (Quality & Safety Director)
- Sandeep Kaur, RN (Nurse Champion)
- Lorraine Salavec, RN



### UNIQUE ASPECT of Lincoln Hospital

Lincoln Hospital is a [Level 1 Trauma Center](#) and is the busiest in the northeast region.





# North Central Bronx Hospital

3,400



## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

Annually in the ED

### TEAM MEMBERS

- Frederick Nagel, MD (Chief of Emergency Services)
- Shellyann Sharpe, MD (Assistant Medical Director)
- Joseph Wiley, RN (Associate Director of Nursing)
- Mariet Duporte, RN (ED Nurse Educator)
- Carrie Shumway, MS (Director of ED Operations)
- Neena Philip, RN (Chief Nursing Officer)
- Chinyere Anyaogu, MD (Chief Medical Officer)



### UNIQUE ASPECT of North Central Bronx Hospital

*North Central Bronx Hospital's ED is consistently rated highest in patient satisfaction among all eleven of the EDs in **NYC Health + Hospitals** system!*





# Richmond University Medical Center

9,408

## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

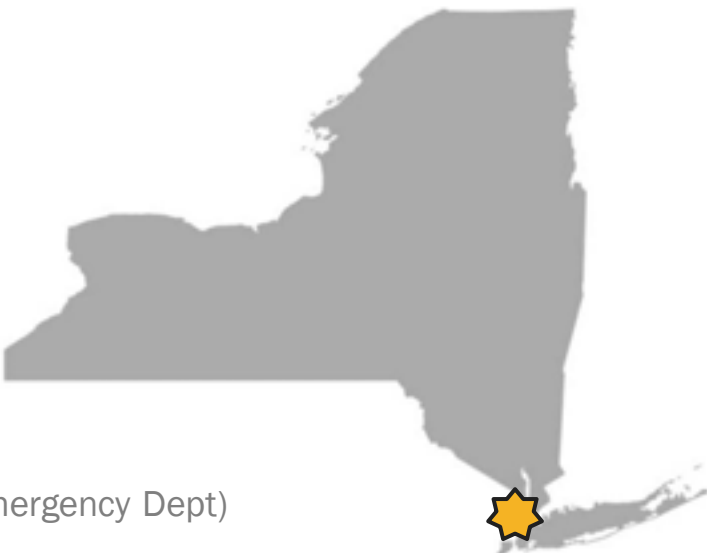
### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

Annually in the ED



### TEAM MEMBERS

- Johnathon LeBaron, DO (Chairman of the Emergency Dept)
- Jean Gordon, RN, MSN (AVP of Emergency Services)



Staten Island, NY



### New Emergency Department



### UNIQUE ASPECT of Richmond University Medical Center

*Richmond University Medical Center has a peer recovery support program to target patients with SUD; unit-based social workers on staff to screen geriatric patients; when conducting mental health/PTSD screens and referral to mental health one of the barriers is the ability to travel (even prior to traumatic injury) - so the ED has partnered with Integrity Senior Services offers in-home and telehealth mental health counseling.*





# St. Barnabas Hospital

Level 1



## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

8,519

### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

Annually in the ED

### TEAM MEMBERS

- Michael Nickas, DO (Project Lead)
- Brian Dolan, RN (ED Nurse Manager)
- Helena Gvili, MD (Assisting Attending)
- Julie Clemmensen, DO
- Rutmi Goradia, MD
- Narcisse Amine, DO
- Robert O'Connell, PharmD
- Harrison Wermuth, DO
- Erik Marketan, EMT-P/CC



### UNIQUE ASPECT of St. Barnabas Hospital

*St. Barnabas Hospital serves a large geriatric minority population, of visits for patients over age 65 about are 55% Black/African-American and 30-40% Hispanic (predominantly Dominican and Puerto Rican) patients.*





# SUNY Downstate University Hospital Brooklyn

Level 1



## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

8,678

### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

Annually in the ED

## TEAM MEMBERS

- Joel Gernsheimer, MD (MD Champion)
- Ninfa Mehta, MD (Assistant Professor)
- Nancy Victor , MHS, MPA (Director of Business Planning)
- Surriya Ahmad, MD (Geriatric Emergency Medicine Fellow)
- Shay Walter, MSN, RN (Assistant Director of Nursing)
- Collin Burgan, RN
- Gerald Eaddy, MSN, RN (Associate Director of Nursing)
- Nata Cisse (Senior Resident, Emergency Medicine)
- Miguel Diaz (Senior Resident, Emergency Medicine)
- Lori Bruno (Assistant Vice President, Office of Planning)



## UNIQUE ASPECT of SUNY Downstate University Hospital Brooklyn

*As the only health sciences university hospital in Brooklyn, SUNY Downstate University Hospital is devoted to achieving health equity in our communities through provision of outstanding patient care, research and education.*





# Saratoga Hospital

Level 2



## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

4,935

### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

Annually in the ED

### TEAM MEMBERS

- Robert Donnarumma, MD (Chair, Dept of Emergency Medicine)
- Mallory Otto, MD (Geriatric Care)
- Cindi Lisuzzo, BS, RN (Director of Care Management)



Saratoga Springs, NY



## UNIQUE ASPECT of Saratoga Hospital

Through its [affiliation with Albany Med](#), Columbia Memorial Health and Glens Falls Hospital, Saratoga Hospital is part of the Capital Region's largest locally governed health system. This partnership gives Saratoga Hospital patients easy access to higher-level specialty care from northeastern New York's only academic health sciences center.

### GERIATRIC CARE

*Your voice matters in geriatric care.*

Saratoga Hospital Medical Group - Geriatric Care is dedicated to helping older patients receive the quality of care needed to preserve independence and quality of life.





# Catholic Health Mercy Hospital

Level 2



## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

8,821

### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

Annually in the ED

### TEAM MEMBERS

- Vicky Loretto (Manager, Hospital Relations)
- Michelle Wild, RN (Director of Nursing)
- Shari McDonald, RN (Vice President, Chief Nursing Officer)



Buffalo, NY



## UNIQUE ASPECT of Catholic Health Mercy Hospital

Mercy Hospital is a New York State Department of Health-designated [Primary Stroke Center](#) and certified by the New York State Joint Commission. The hospital has received the 2022 American Heart Association/American Stroke Association's Get With The Guidelines®-Gold Plus Quality Achievement Award as well as the Target: Stroke Honor Roll Elite Award.





# Eastern Niagara Hospital

4,300

## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

Annually in the ED



## TEAM MEMBERS

- Maralyn Militello, MPA, BSN, RN (Chief Nursing Officer)



Lockport, NY



## UNIQUE ASPECT of Eastern Niagara Hospital

*Eastern Niagara Hospital's ED has not had any updates since the 1980's and still have curtains that divide for 3-4 bays in one room; it is very small space for storage. Our EMR is the first version of Meditech. Eastern Niagara will be closing in late summer/early fall of 2023 due to bankruptcy and **Catholic Health** is building a new hospital in the community to sync with the opening of the new ED.*





# Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital

Level 1



## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

2,401

### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

Annually in the ED

### TEAM MEMBERS

- Tammy Aiken, RN (Network Director of Emergency Services)
- Mark Winther, MD (Chief of Emergency Services)
- Jeff Joyner, MS (SVP, Chief Operating Officer)
- Matthew Kleinmaier, MD (MD Champion)
- Sharon Wilcox, RN (RN Champion)
- Tracey Blanchard, MSN, RN (Director of IP Nursing)
- Komron Ostovar, MD (Division Chief, Hospital Medicine)



**Bassett Healthcare Network**



**Cooperstown, NY**



### UNIQUE ASPECT of Mary Imogene Bassett Hospital

*Bassett Medical Center is a Level 3 trauma center and stroke center, has an onsite cath lab servicing STEMI (ST-elevated myocardial infarction (STEMI)).*

*The hospital is located in the heart of Cooperstown, NY – home of the Baseball Hall of Fame*





# A.O. Fox Hospital

Level 1



## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

896

### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

Annually in the ED

### TEAM MEMBERS

- Karen Patterson, RN (ED Nurse Manager)
- Tiffany Sullivan, RN (IP Nurse Manager)
- James Leinhart, MD (Senior Attending)
- Jonathan Croft, MD (Lead Hospitalist)



Oneonta, NY



### UNIQUE ASPECT of A.O. Fox Hospital

*Has a free standing ED located 25 minutes down the road in Sydney, NY (aka A.O. Fox Hospital Tri-Town Campus)*





# A.O. Fox Hospital Tri-Town Campus

Level 1



## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

Annually in the ED

### TEAM MEMBERS

- Karen Patterson, RN (ED Nurse Manager)
- Tiffany Sullivan, RN (IP Nurse Manager)
- James Leinhart, MD (Senior Attending)
- Jonathan Croft, MD (Lead Hospitalist)



**Sidney, NY**



### UNIQUE ASPECT of A.O. Fox Hospital Tri-Town Campus

*In 2018, Tri-Town Regional Hospital became an emergency department satellite of A.O. Fox Hospital in Oneonta, newly named A.O. Fox Hospital - Tri-Town Campus. Though technically no longer a hospital, the facility's services remain the same, providing emergency care, clinical laboratory, and radiology services, in addition to a host of specialty services.*





# Cobleskill Regional Hospital

Level 1



## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

345

### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

Annually in the ED

### TEAM MEMBERS



- Joan Goodrich, RN (ED Nurse Manager)
- Laurie Murphy, RN (IP Nurse Manager)
- Lewis Britton, MD (Associate Chief of Emergency Services)



Cobleskill, NY



## UNIQUE ASPECT of Cobleskill Regional Hospital

*Cobleskill Regional Hospital is a critical access hospital.*

*Congress created the **Critical Access Hospital (CAH)** designation through the Balanced Budget Act of 1997 (Public Law 105-33) in response to over 400 rural hospital closures during the 1980s and early 1990s. The CAH designation is designed to reduce the financial vulnerability of rural hospitals and improve access to healthcare by keeping essential services in rural communities.*





# Little Falls Hospital

Level 1



## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

359

### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

Annually in the ED

### TEAM MEMBERS

- Millie Glauer, RN (ED Educator)
- Lewis Britton, MD (Associate Chief of Emergency Services)
- Heidi Camardello, RN (Director of Nursing)



**Little Falls, NY**



### UNIQUE ASPECT of Little Falls Hospital

*Little Falls Hospital is also a critical access hospital.*





# O'Connor Hospital

Level 1



## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT

### OLDER ADULTS SERVED

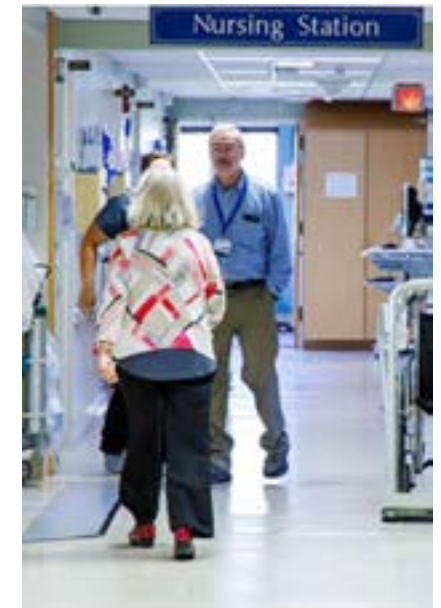
Annually in the ED

### TEAM MEMBERS

- Pam Dorr, RN (ED Nurse Manager)
- Dan Endress, RN (Director of Nursing Practice)
- Susan Oaks-Ferrucci, RN (Vice President of Clinical Operations)



Delhi, NY



## UNIQUE ASPECT of O'Connor Hospital

*O'Connor Hospital is also a critical access hospital.*







# Geriatric EDs: The Why?

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**Kevin Biese**  
MD, MAT



Geriatric Emergency Department  
Collaborative Implementation PI

Chair, Geriatric Emergency  
Department Accreditation



# COVID-19 Stressing Health Systems and the Emergency Department Safety Net

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Emergency Departments (ED) are experiencing unprecedented levels of stress and our vulnerable patients and clinical teams are suffering. In the last few months, we have witnessed the clash of increasing patient volumes and acuity, with multilevel decreasing resources. ED staff are stretched thin from a severe national nursing shortage, unprecedented tension, and significant PTSD.

- COVID-19 is a geriatric emergency
- Exacerbation of ED challenges (communication, delirium, crowding, etc.)
- Goals of care conversations / palliative care (esp. around ventilation)
- High risk of delirium for older adults during COVID
- Care transitions and support between EDs and “home” (including SNFs)







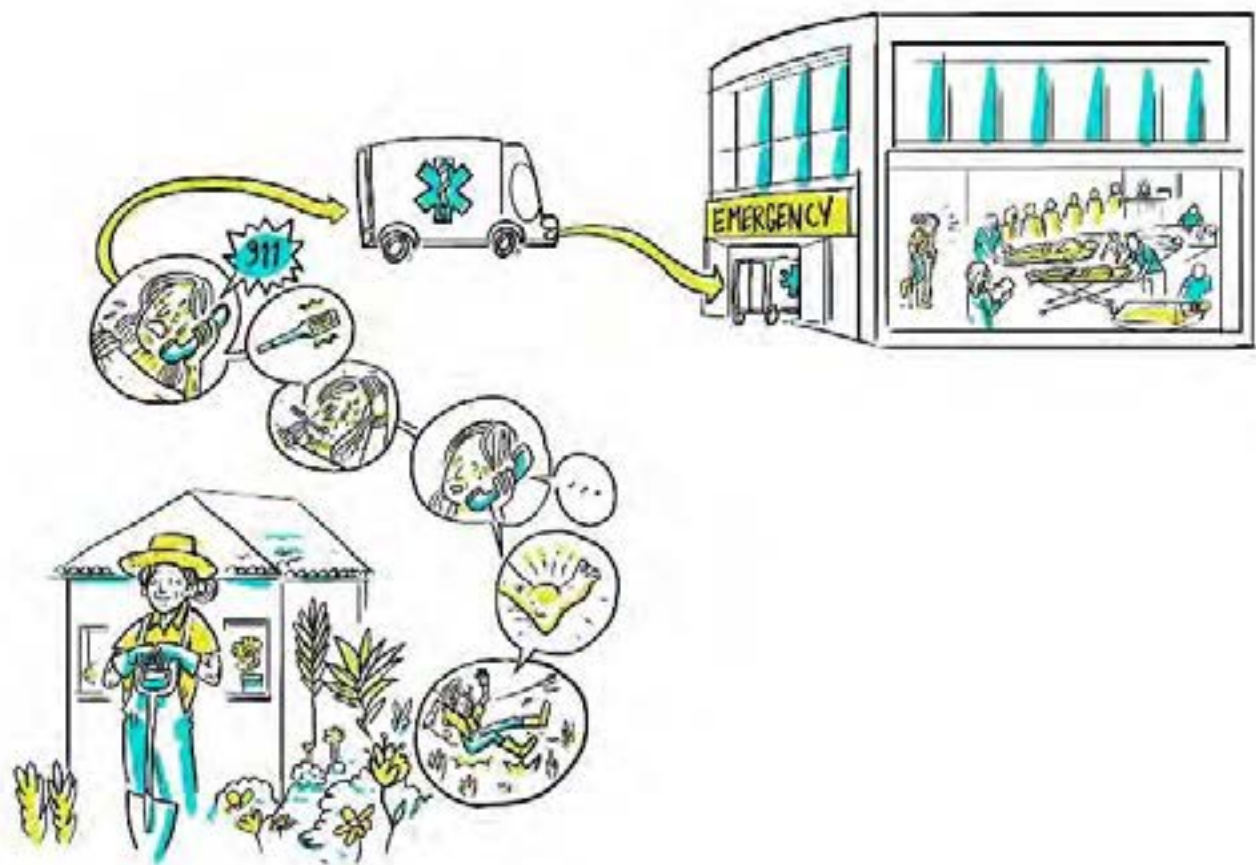




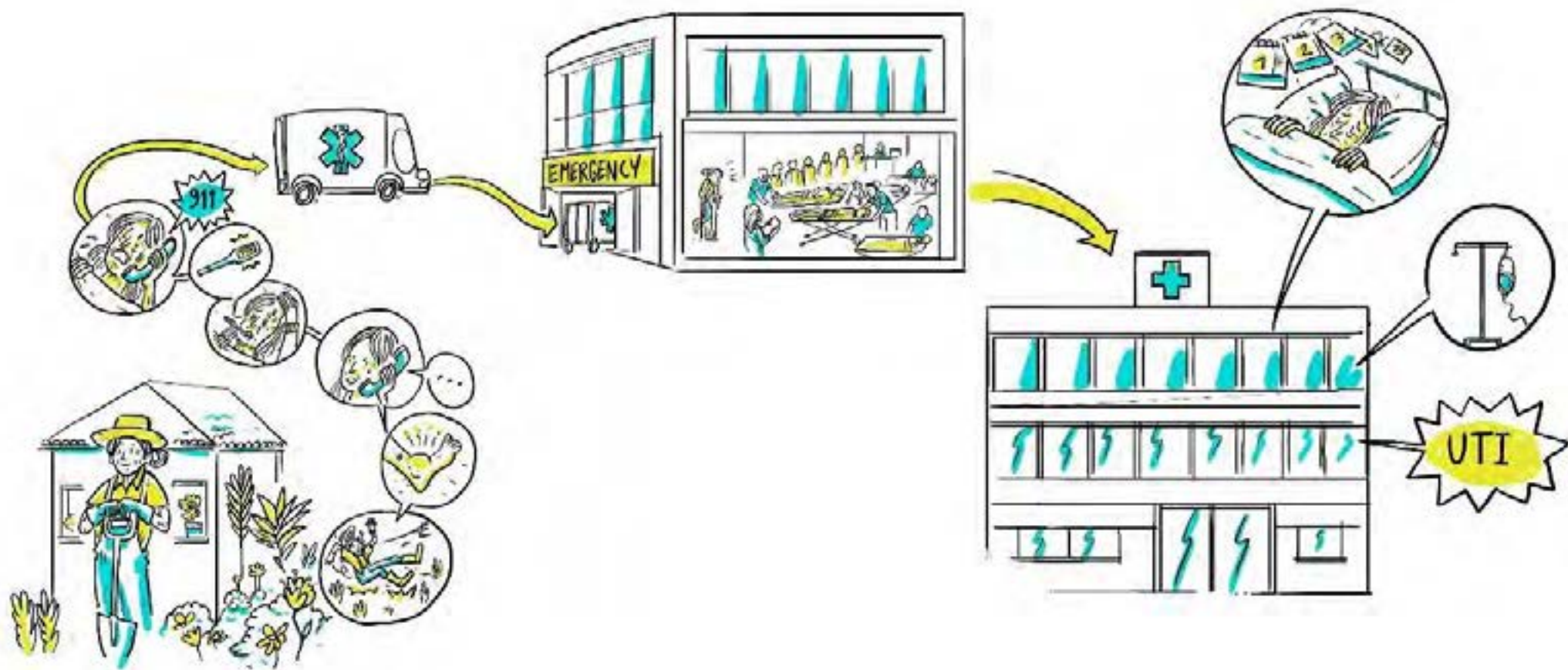




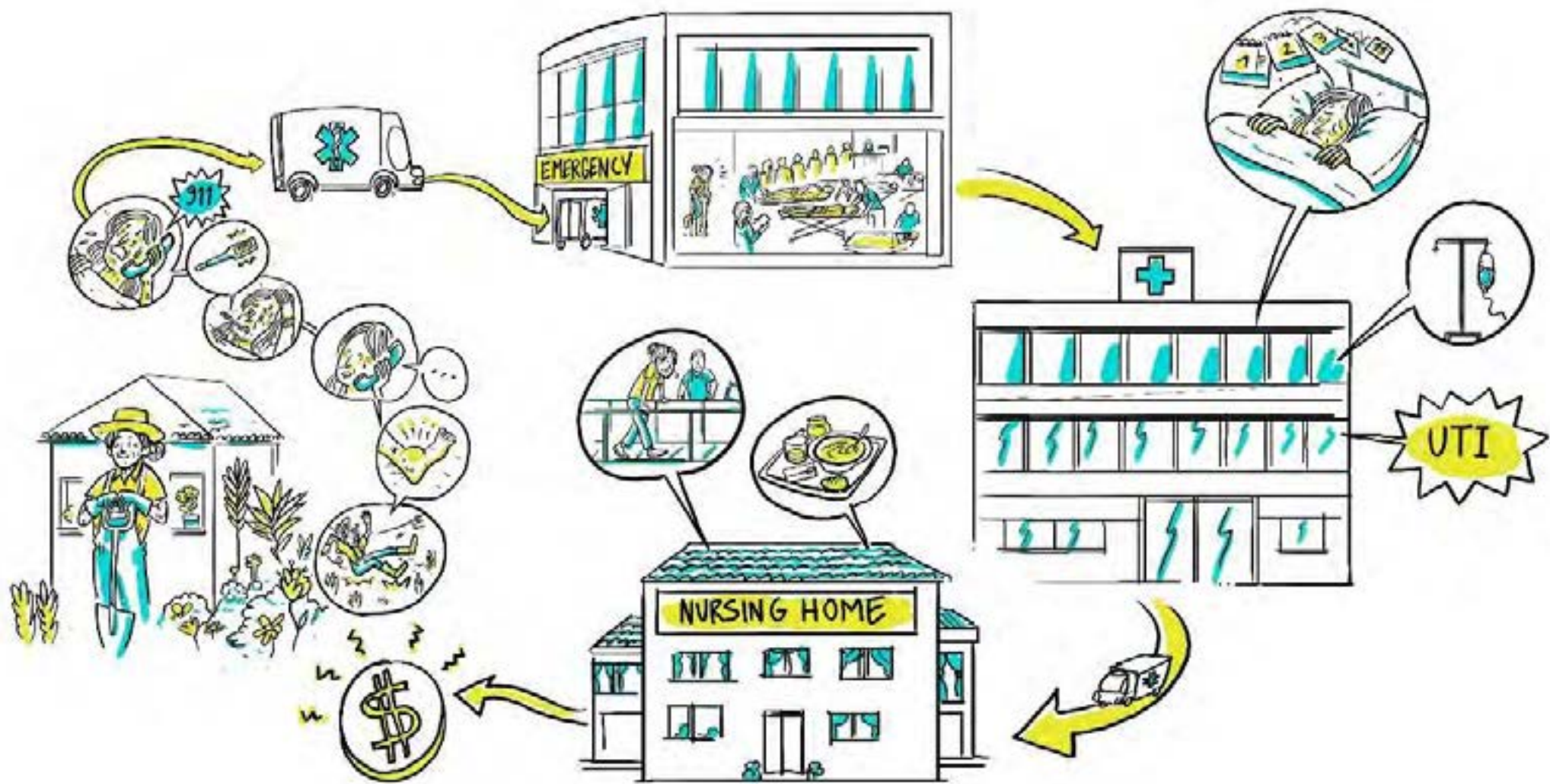
















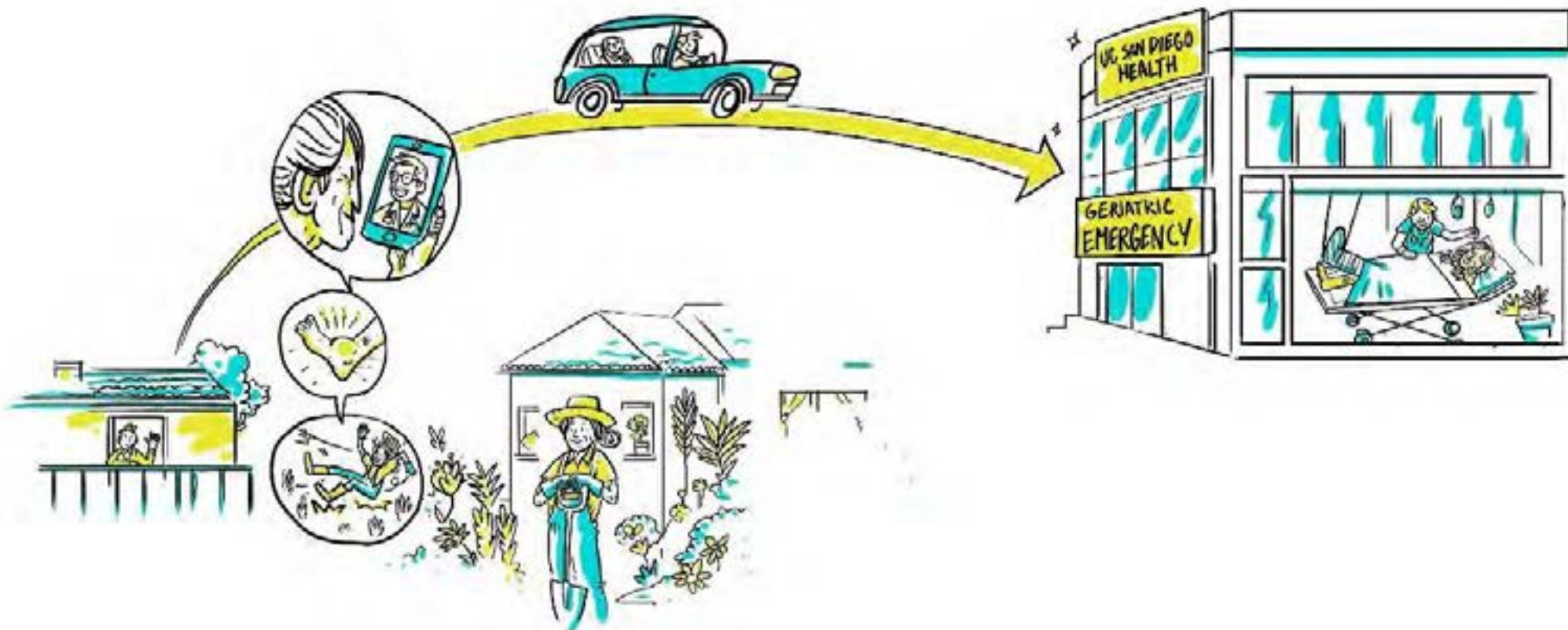




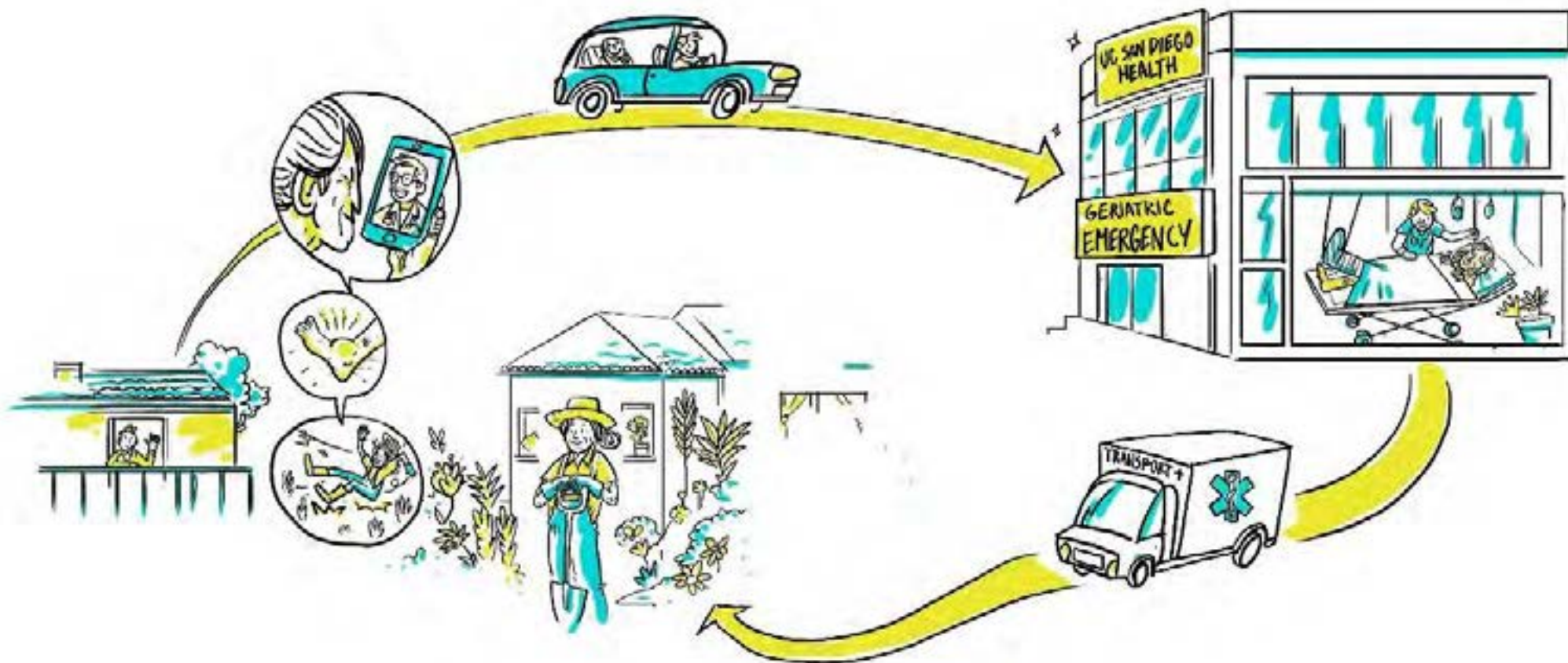




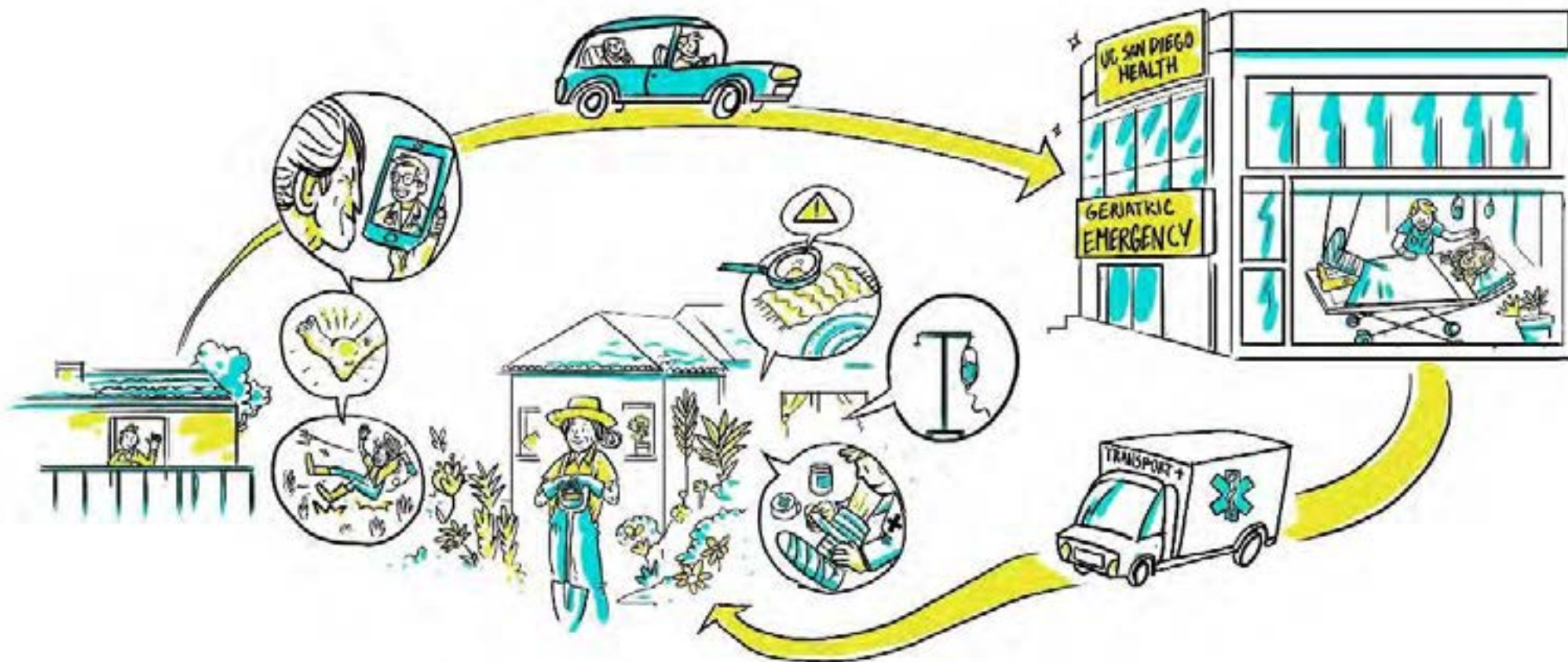












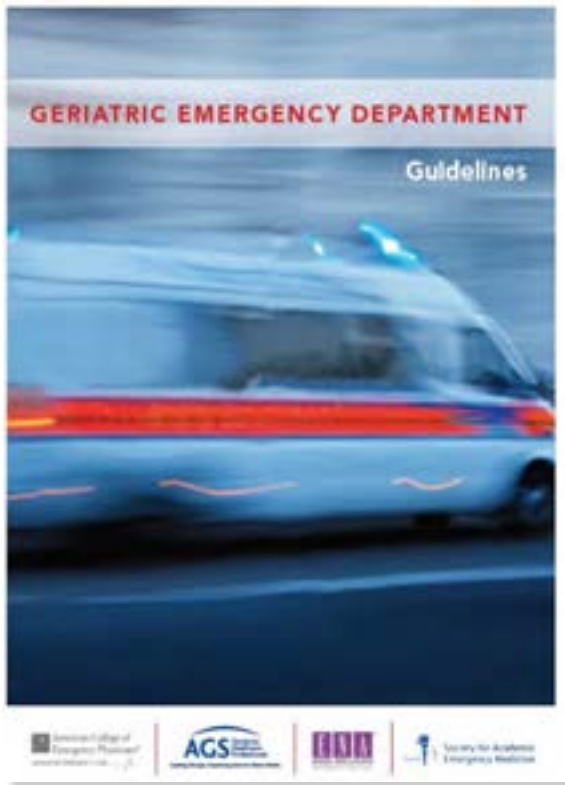




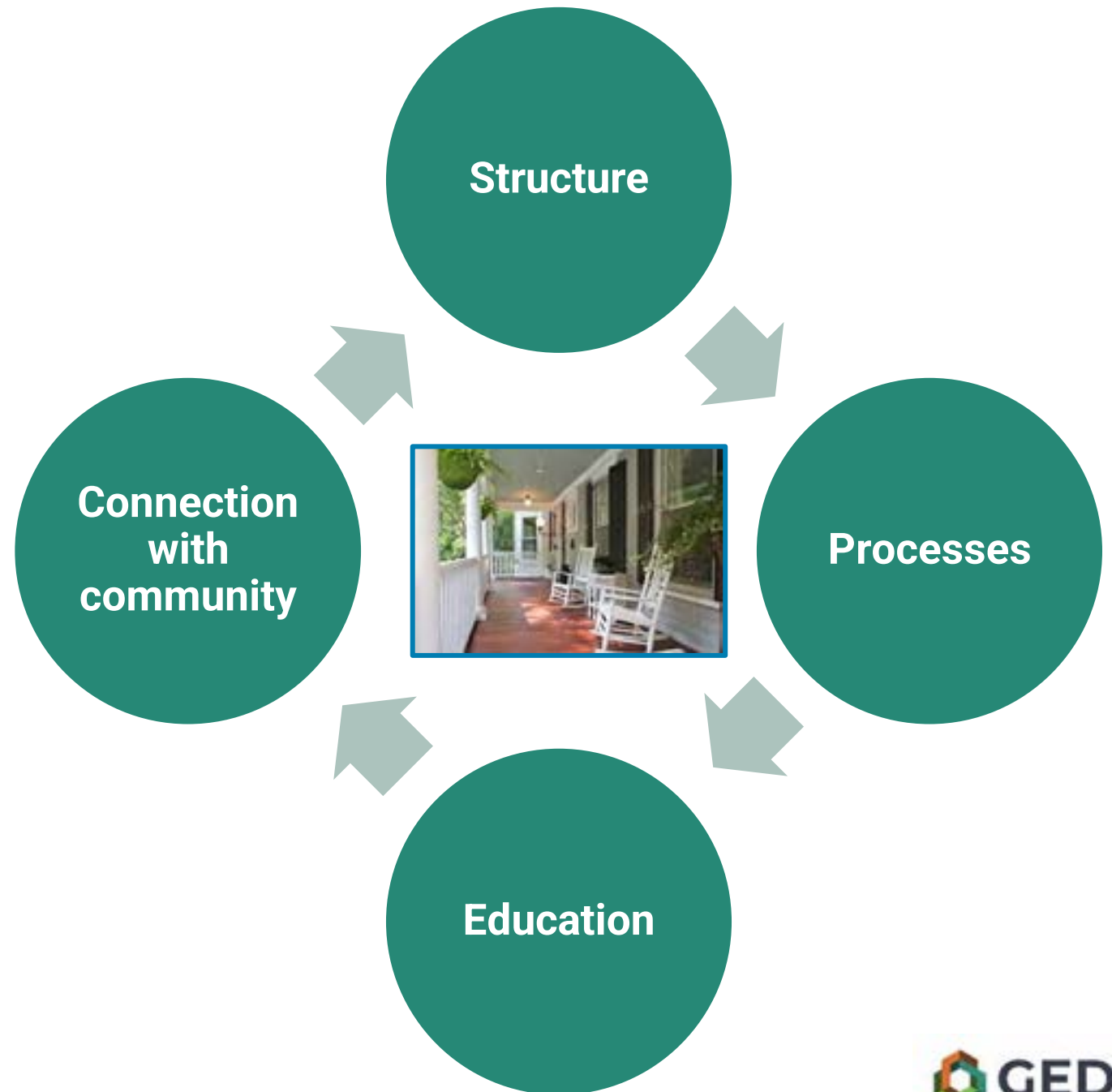


# Geriatric ED Guidelines

Four Critical Components of a Geriatric-Appropriate ED



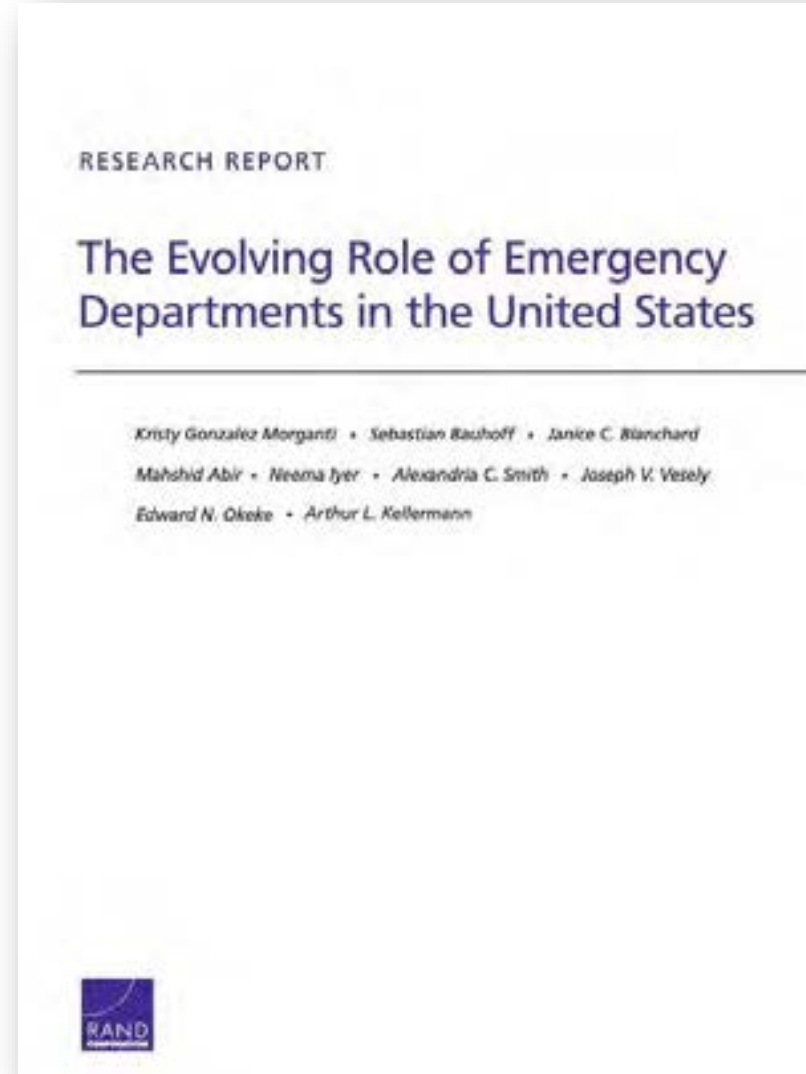
**Geriatric ED  
Guidelines 2014**





# Critical Role of ED in Cost and Care Trajectory

- 60% of older adults **admitted** to hospital come **through** the ED
- The ED itself is not the huge cost center of US Health Care, however ...
- ED makes decisions with tremendous cost implications (admit vs. discharge)
  - *Average admission >\$22,000*
- ED makes decisions with tremendous care implications
- Can the ED identify and intervene upon underlying social needs and integrate medical care to improve the care and cost trajectory?





# A growing body of literature supports Geriatric EDs as a solution





# Greater than 90% of Accredited GEDs launched without external funding

INITIAL OUTCOMES AT A GLANCE



**GREATER**

Patient  
Satisfaction



**LOWER  
COSTS**

Leveraging  
interdisciplinary  
team



**16.5%**

Reduced risk of  
hospital  
readmission



**LOWER  
RISK**

Of 30-day fall-  
related ED  
revisits



# What can a Geriatric Emergency Department do for my hospital?



## DECREASE READMISSIONS

Recent update from SE US site:

13 Estimated Readmissions Prevented over first 3 months



## DECREASE ED REVISITS IN HIGH-RISK POPS.

Midwest GED site: 9% decrease in ED revisits

JAGS article: PT in the ED associated with reduced 30- and 60-day revisits ( $p < 0.001$ ).



## INCREASE MARKET SHARE

Actual case: Urban safety net hospital seeking more Medicare patients.

Actual case: Hospital in competitive area w/ many "snowbirds" seeks differentiation



## BETTER CONSENSUS MANAGEMENT

CFO of academic system in NE: "I am tired of seeing the air-ambulance fly over us because we are on diversion. This can help us put our beds to better use."



## INCREASE STAFF SATISFACTION

Result seen at multiple health systems across all levels of accreditation



# Level III

## Good Geriatric ED Care

- At least one MD and one RN with evidence of geriatric focus (champions)
- Evidence of geriatric focused care initiative
- Mobility aids
- Food & drink 24/7





# Case Study Breakout Rooms

## 25-MINUTE SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION

### **Mrs. Cado**

78-year-old woman with a broken wrist “ready for discharge”

WITH YOUR GEDC EXPERT

### **Kevin Beise**



### **Mr. Shwach**

80-year-old woman, not feeling right “Mom seems a little off”

WITH YOUR GEDC EXPERT

### **Aaron Malsch**



### **Mr. Ivanhoe**

78-year-old man “familiar face”

WITH YOUR GEDC EXPERT

### **Pam Martin**





# Joining Breakout Rooms

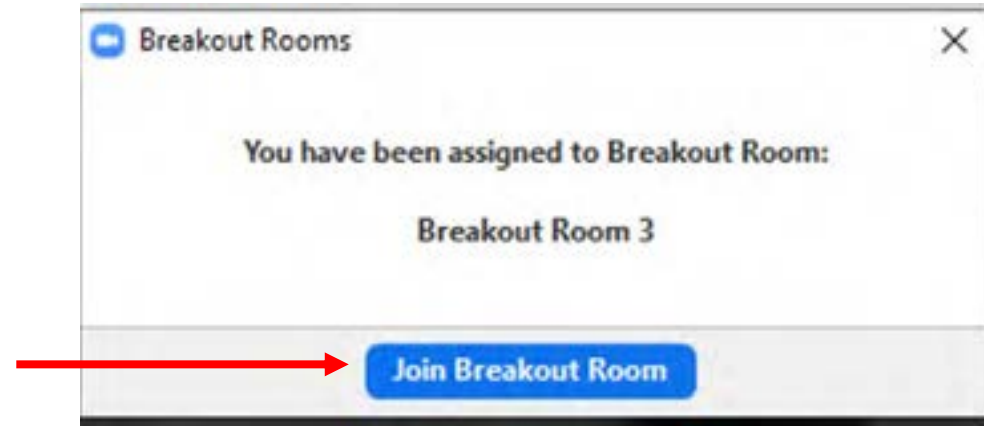
## QUICK OVERVIEW

You have already been assigned to your breakout room.

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**Please be patient.**

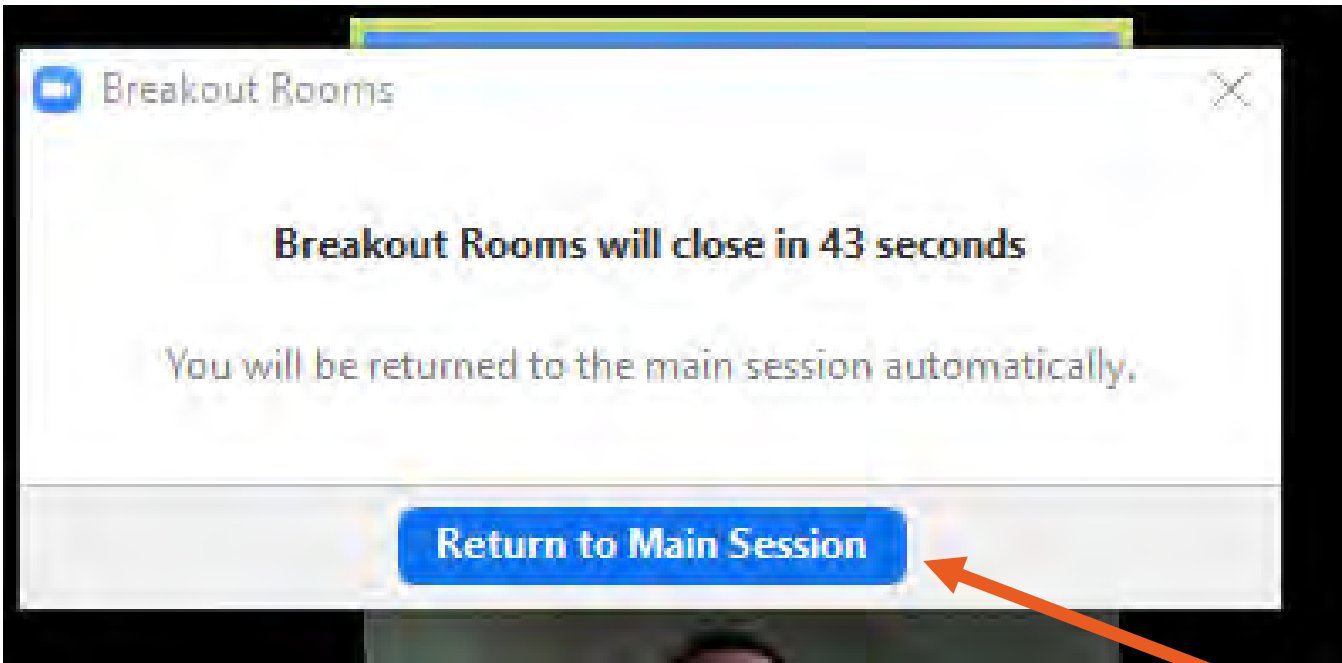
It can take a little while for all the connections to come through.





# Leaving Breakout Rooms

DON'T EXIT THE WHOLE MEETING! RETURN TO MAIN SESSION.



When your case discussion time is over (20 minutes), you will receive a 2-minute countdown warning. After 2 minutes you will be automatically returned to the Main Session.

To leave the breakout room, click "**Return to Main Session**" (instead of Exiting the zoom meeting)



# When You Come Back

## CASE DEBRIEFS – CONNECTING CASE STUDIES

Assign someone in your group to describe:

- One barrier to quality care for your patient at your ED now *and*
- One opportunity for improvement that you could implement.
- 5 minutes per group



# Case Studies

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# CASE DEBRIEF

## CONNECTING CASE STUDIES

### BARRIER TO QUALITY CARE

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#1: Fall pt

- Medications redundancy
- Home Safety
- Impaired Mobility

#2: 80year non-specific complaint

- Foley placed
- Poor Communication with dtr
- NPO, No Med Rec, Potential Mental Status
- Mobility assessment

#3: 87 yr old COPD

- No Goals of Care
- What Matters to this patient & family defines interventions
- Unknown previous history and goals and support

### OPPORTUNITY FOR IMPROVEMENT THAT YOU COULD IMPLEMENT

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#1: Mobility assessment- ADL with wrist injury  
Coordinate Medication Management  
Assess Home Safety-

#2: Work with Family  
SW Assessment  
Mobility Assessment & PT eval

#3: SW Assessment and Involvement for  
establishing goals  
Documentation

Starting improvement leads to positive  
momentum



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# Break

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15 minutes





# Creating older-adult specific policies based on existing generic hospital policies

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Pam Martin, MS, RN, GCNS-BC

Yale New Haven Health



# To satisfy accreditation criteria:

Policy needs to be **ED and Older Adult** specific

## Example:

### NPO:

In the ED, all patients  $\geq 65$  years of age is allowed to have clear liquids unless actively vomiting



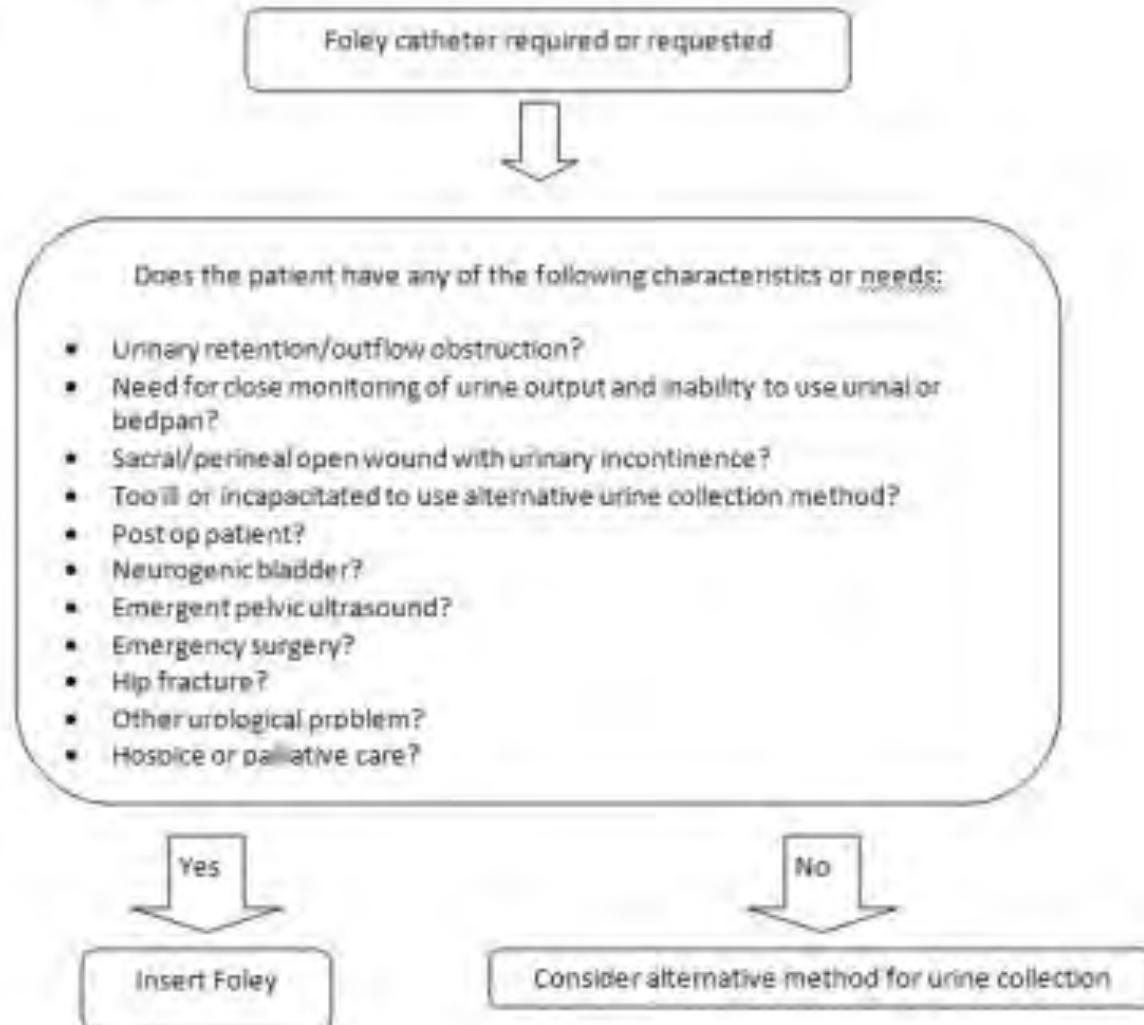
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## Example:

### Urinary Catheter:

For ED patients age > 65  
introduce decision algorithm





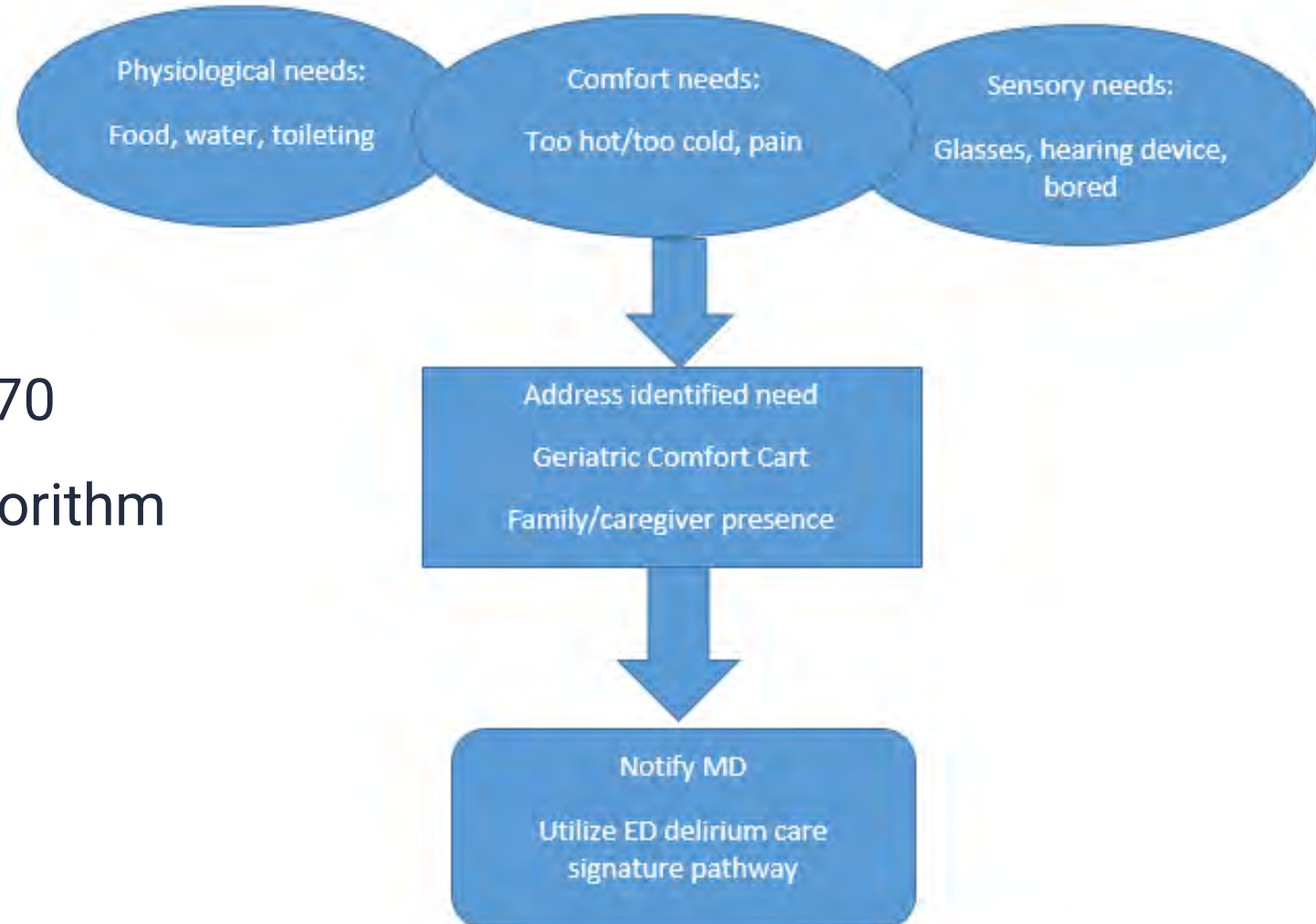
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## Example:

### Use of Restraints:

For ED patients age > 70  
introduce decision algorithm





# Pam's Pearls

When developing your policies ask yourself:

- What age
- What inclusion/exclusion criteria will you use
- Do frequent small tests of change (PDSA cycles)
- Offer education to all involved in process (nursing, techs, MD, APP)



# A standardized delirium screening guideline (DTS, CAM 4AT, other)

**with appropriate follow-up**

- Under recognition
- Increased Morbidity & Mortality
- Increased Costs
  - Revisits/readmissions
  - Increased LOS >> ED boarding

[Delirium\\_EDImplementationToolkit.pdf](#)  
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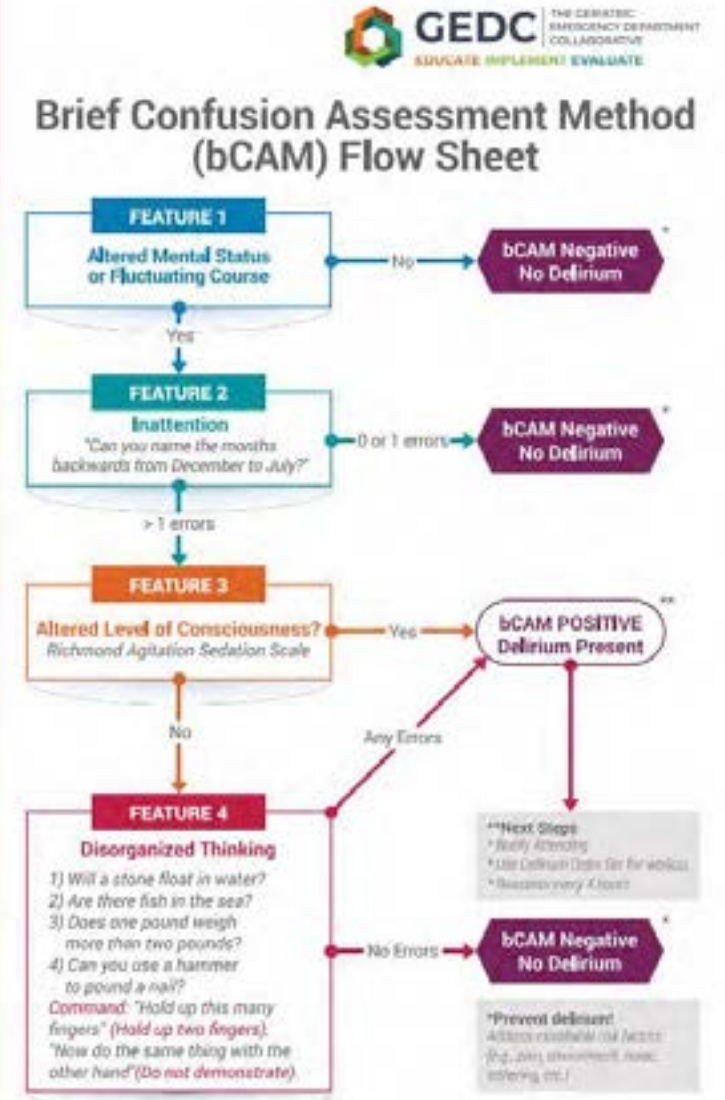


# Screening Tools

## Delirium Triage Screen (DTS)

### Pam's Pearls

- Nursing involved in choosing screening tool
- Who will screen
- Where will you screen (triage/room)
- Where will screen be located: paper, EMR, where in EMR





# Appropriate Follow-up

## What are you doing with the information?

### Provider notification

### Delirium Prevention Strategies

- Geri Comfort Cart/ Delirium Prevention Cart/ Dementia Cart: [Non-pharmacologic interventions improve comfort and experience among older adults in the Emergency Department – ScienceDirect](#)

### Non-pharmacological measures to prevent and treat delirium

- Redirection, reassurance, distraction
- Address physical needs (nutrition, hydration, bathroom)
- Normalize sleep wake cycles
- Mobilize early, remove tethers

### Outpatient referral

### Pam's Pearl's

- Make it easy
- Have items accessible
- Model ideal behavior
- Reward high achievers
- Determine your metrics and how to obtain
- Can you tie the outpatient referral to other policy/protocol (access to geriatric specific follow up)





# A guideline for standardized assessment of function and functional decline

(ISAR, AUA, interRAI screen, TRST)

**with appropriate follow-up**

- Identify high-risk patients
  - Functional decline
  - Admission/readmission
- Can be used in conjunction with ESI to identify patients for geriatric team





# Screening Tools

## Choose a tool

### ISAR

1) Before the illness or injury that brought you to the Emergency, did you need someone to help you on a regular basis?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	01
	<input type="checkbox"/> No	00
2) In the last 24 hours, have you needed more help than usual?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	01
	<input type="checkbox"/> No	00
3) Have you been hospitalized for one or more nights during the past six months?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	01
	<input type="checkbox"/> No	00
4) In general, do you see well?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	00
	<input type="checkbox"/> No	01
5) In general, do you have serious problems with your memory?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	01
	<input type="checkbox"/> No	00
6) Do you take six or more medications every day?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	01
	<input type="checkbox"/> No	00
Positive test is 2 or more	Total	/6

N/A not applicable

### TRST

- ☐ History of cognitive impairment (poor recall or not oriented)
- ☐ Difficulty walking / transferring or recent falls
- ☐ Five or more medications
- ☐ ED use in previous 30 days or hospitalization in previous 90 days
- ☐ Lives alone **and/or** no available caregiver
- ☐ ED staff professional recommendations:
  - ☐ Nutrition / weight loss
  - ☐ Failure to cope
  - ☐ Sensory deficits
  - ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_
  - ☐ Incontinence
  - ☐ Medication issues
  - ☐ Depression / low mood



# Appropriate follow up

## What are you doing with the information?

- CM
- GEMS nurse/APRN
- SW
- PT/OT consult

### Pam's Pearls

- Who, where, when will screen be completed
- Determine age that you will begin screen
- What “number” will you use to trigger additional interventions
- Check for and obtain ISAR copyright





# A standardized dementia screening process (Ottawa 3 DY; Mini Cog, SIS, Short Blessed Test; other)

Increased risk for delirium  
Discharge planning  
Obtaining H & P / Medical workup  
Fits into system goals  
Opportunity for potential grant funding

- <https://gedcollaborative.com/toolkit/dementia-2/>



# Screening tools

Multiple available but MINI COG fits into **HANYS**

**west health** **GEDC**

## THE MINI-COG™ DEMENTIA SCREENING INSTRUMENT

**Step 1: Three Word Registration**

Look directly at person and say: "Please listen carefully. I am going to say three words that I want you to repeat back to me now and try to remember. The words are (select a list of words from the versions below). Please say them for me now." If the person is unable to repeat the words after three attempts, move on to Step 2 (clock drawing).

The following and other word lists have been used in one or more clinical studies. 1-3 For repeated administrations, use of an alternative word list is recommended.

Version 1	Version 2	Version 3	Version 4	Version 5	Version 6
Banana	Leader	Village	River	Captain	Daughter
Sunrise	Season	Kitchen	Nation	Garden	Heaven
Chair	Table	Baby	Finger	Picture	Mountain

**Step 2: Clock Drawing**

Say: "Next, I want you to draw a clock for me. First, put in all of the numbers where they go." When that is completed, say: "Now, set the hands to 10 past 11."

Use preprinted circle (see next page) for this exercise. Repeat instructions as needed as this is not a memory test. Move to Step 3 if the clock is not complete within three minutes.

**Step 3: Three Word Recall**

Ask the person to recall the three words you stated in Step 1. Say: "What were the three words I asked you to remember?" Record the word list version number and the person's answers below.

Word List Version: \_\_\_\_\_ Person's Answers: \_\_\_\_\_

**Scoring**

Word Recall: _____ (0-3 points)	1 point for each word spontaneously recalled without cueing.
Clock Draw: _____ (0 or 2 points)	Normal clock = 2 points. A normal clock has all numbers placed in the correct sequence and approximately correct position (e.g., 12, 3, 6 and 9 are in anchor positions) with no missing or duplicate numbers. Hands are pointing to the 11 and 2 (11:10). Hand length is not scored. Inability or refusal to draw a clock (abnormal) = 0 points.
Total Score: _____ (0-5 points)	Total score = Word Recall score + Clock Draw score. A cut point of $\geq 3$ on the Mini-Cog™ has been validated for dementia screening, but many individuals with clinically meaningful cognitive impairment will score higher. When greater sensitivity is desired, a cut point of $\geq 4$ is recommended as it may indicate a need for further evaluation of cognitive status.

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- What will you do with this information?
- Who will follow up
- How will discharge planning conversations change

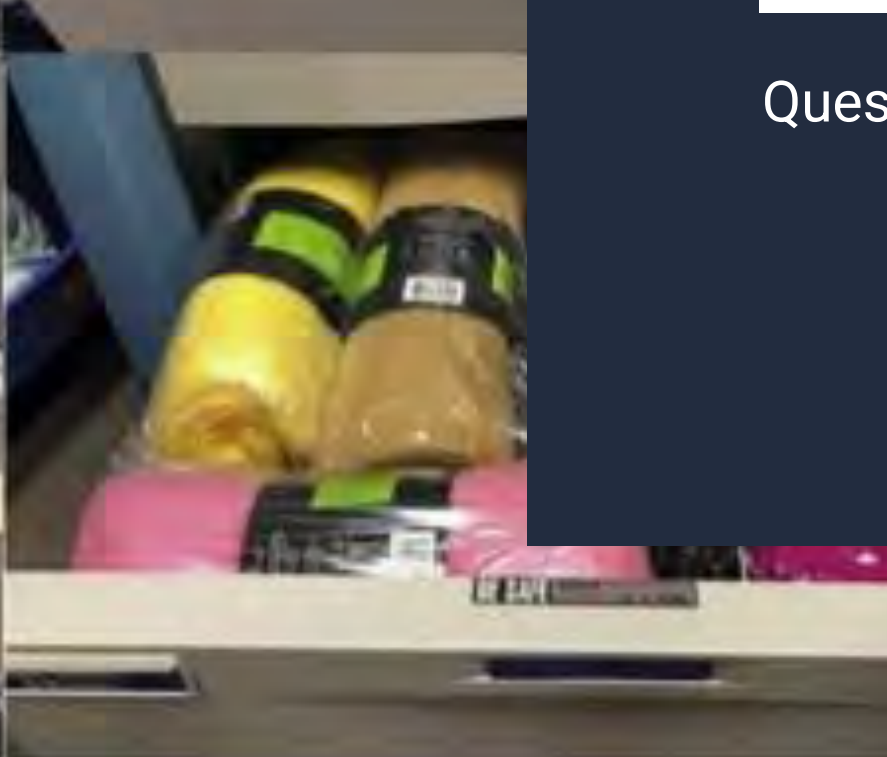


# Pam's Program Pearls

As you begin your quality improvements, remember:

- Assess culture and readiness for new ED initiative
- Learn system priorities and how this fits into those
- What processes/projects are occurring simultaneously
- Engage ALL stakeholders early in process
- Review processes frequently (share data)
- Keep process front and center
  - educational opportunities
  - Newsletters
- Reward high achievers





**THANK YOU!**

Questions?





# Management of Older Adult Falls and Mobility in the Emergency Department & Lessons Learned

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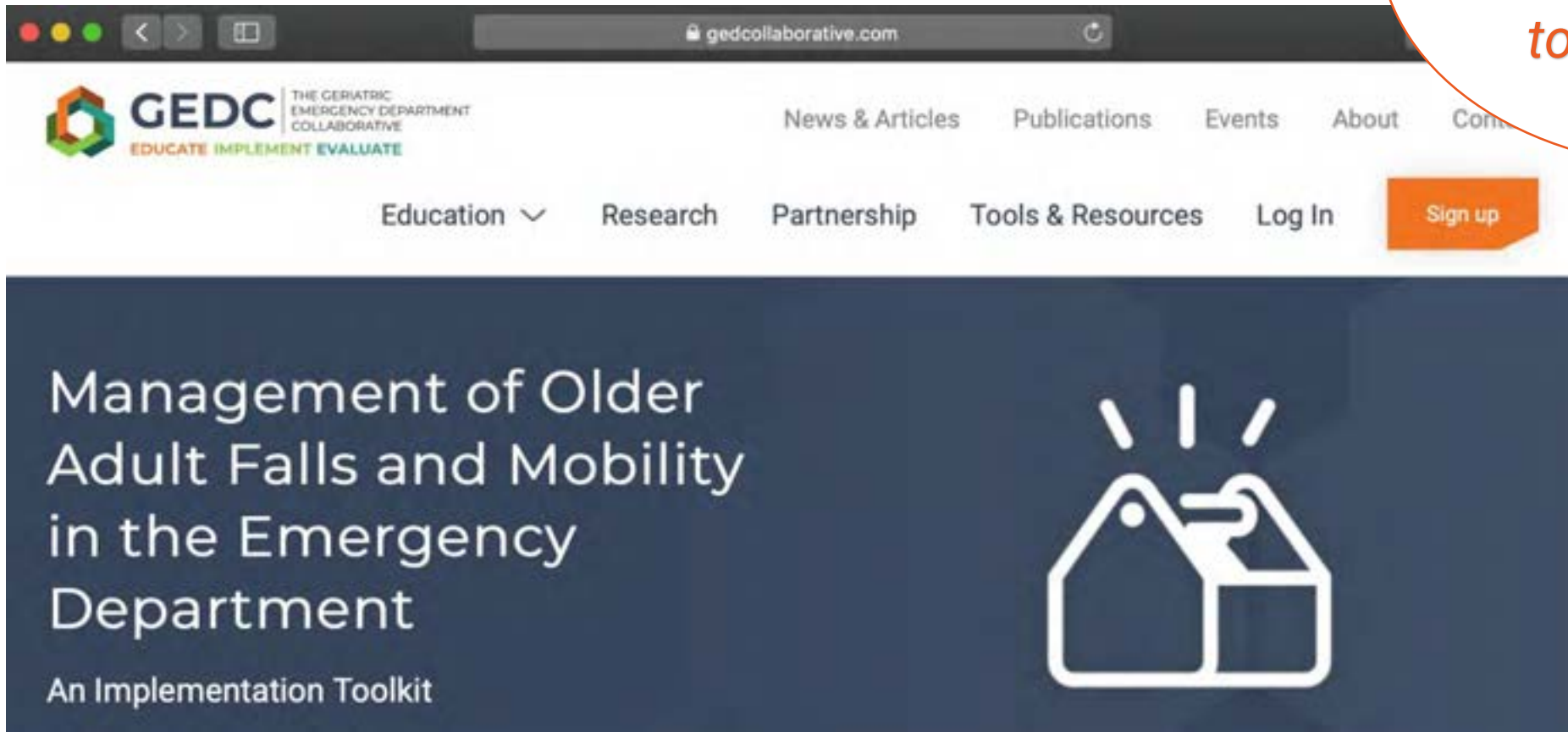
# Falls & Mobility Implementation Tool Kit

WEST HEALTH GEDC FALLS & MOBILITY TOOLKIT

[gedcollaborative.com/toolkit/falls-and-safe-mobility/](https://gedcollaborative.com/toolkit/falls-and-safe-mobility/)

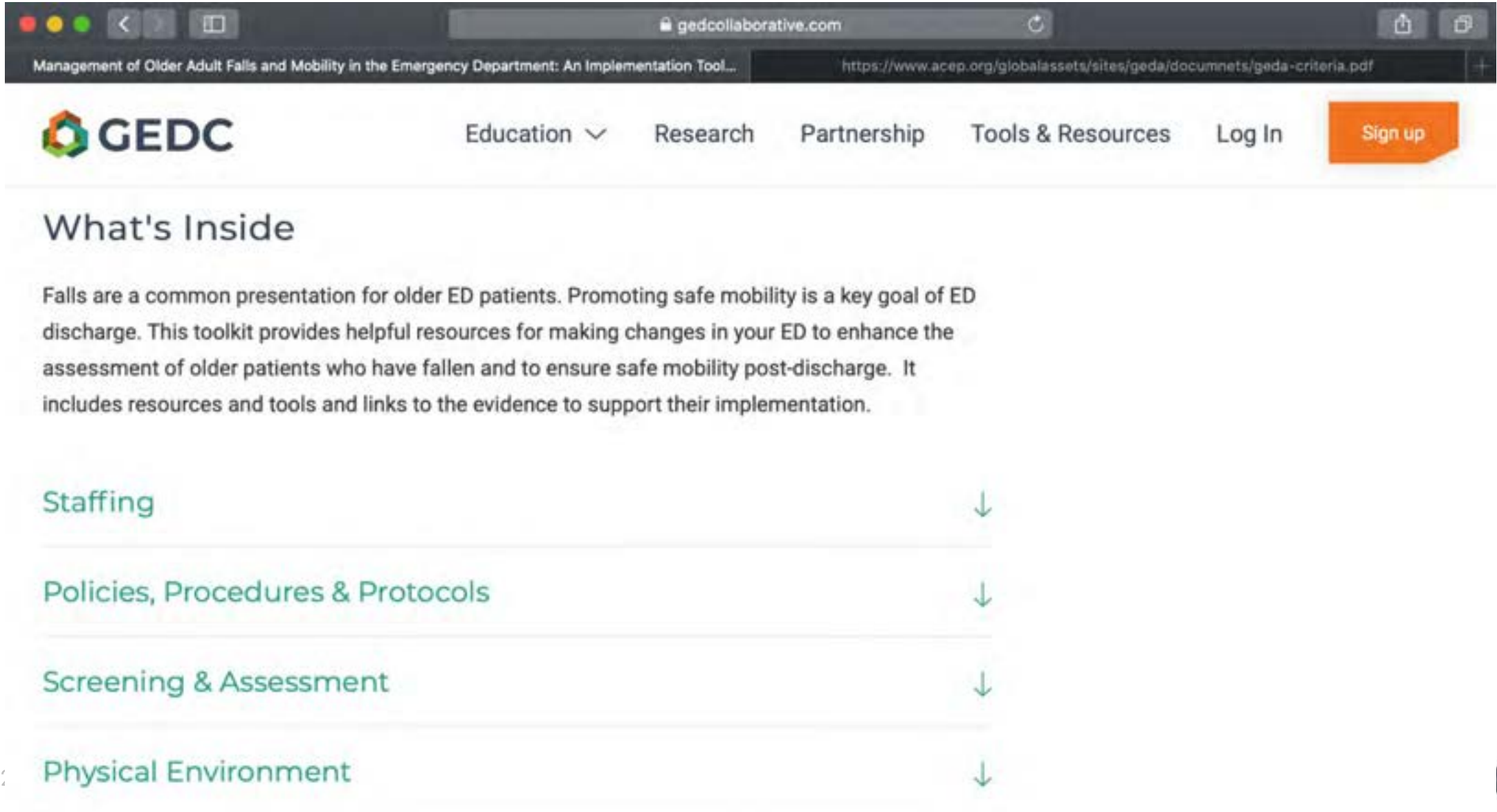
...pssst...

*...it counts for  
TWO procedures  
towards GEDA*





# Falls & Mobility Implementation Tool Kit



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## What's Inside

Falls are a common presentation for older ED patients. Promoting safe mobility is a key goal of ED discharge. This toolkit provides helpful resources for making changes in your ED to enhance the assessment of older patients who have fallen and to ensure safe mobility post-discharge. It includes resources and tools and links to the evidence to support their implementation.

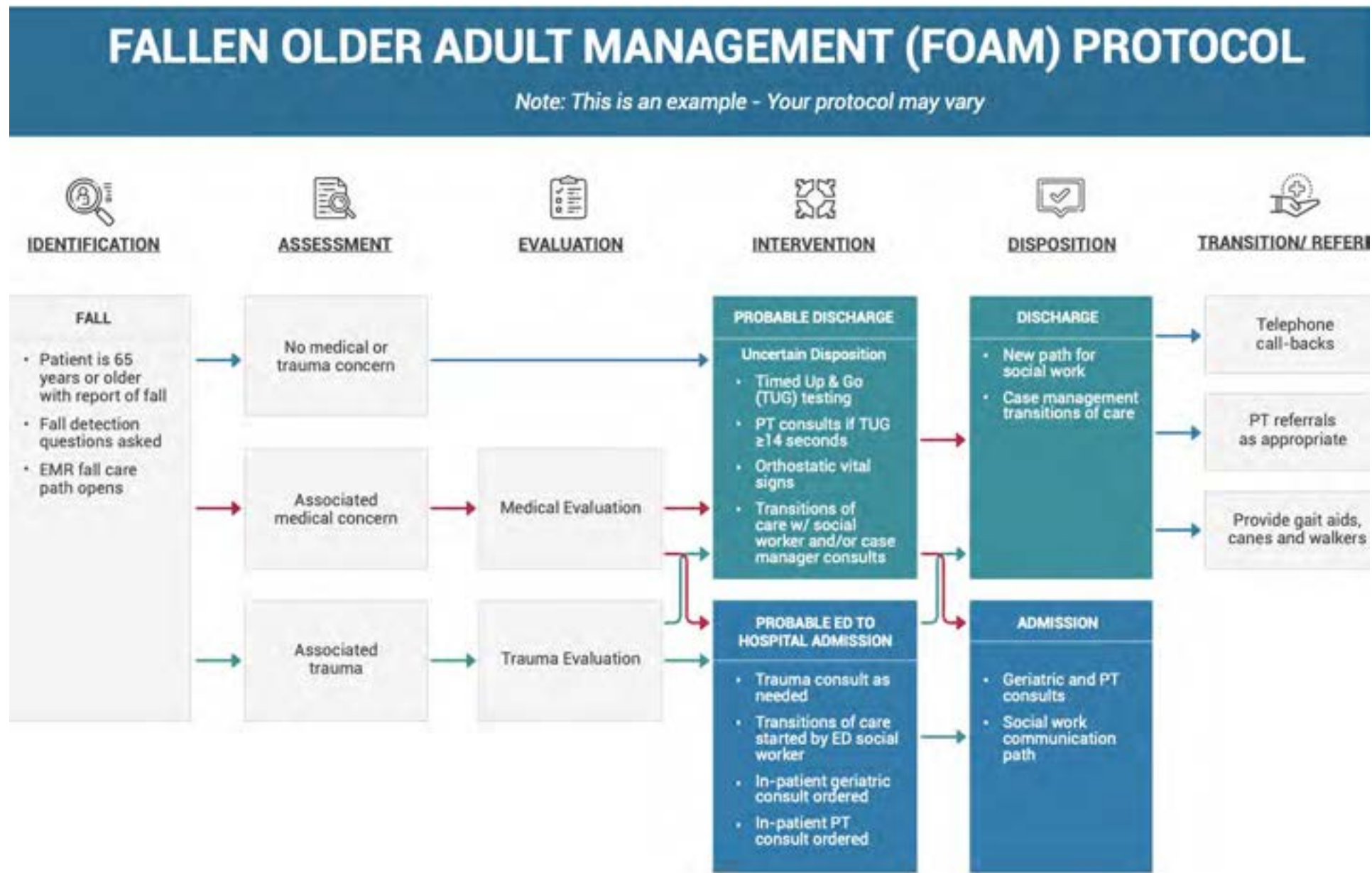
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# FOAM Protocol

## INITIATING AT BEDSIDE

*Note: Tailor to your specific needs and resources*

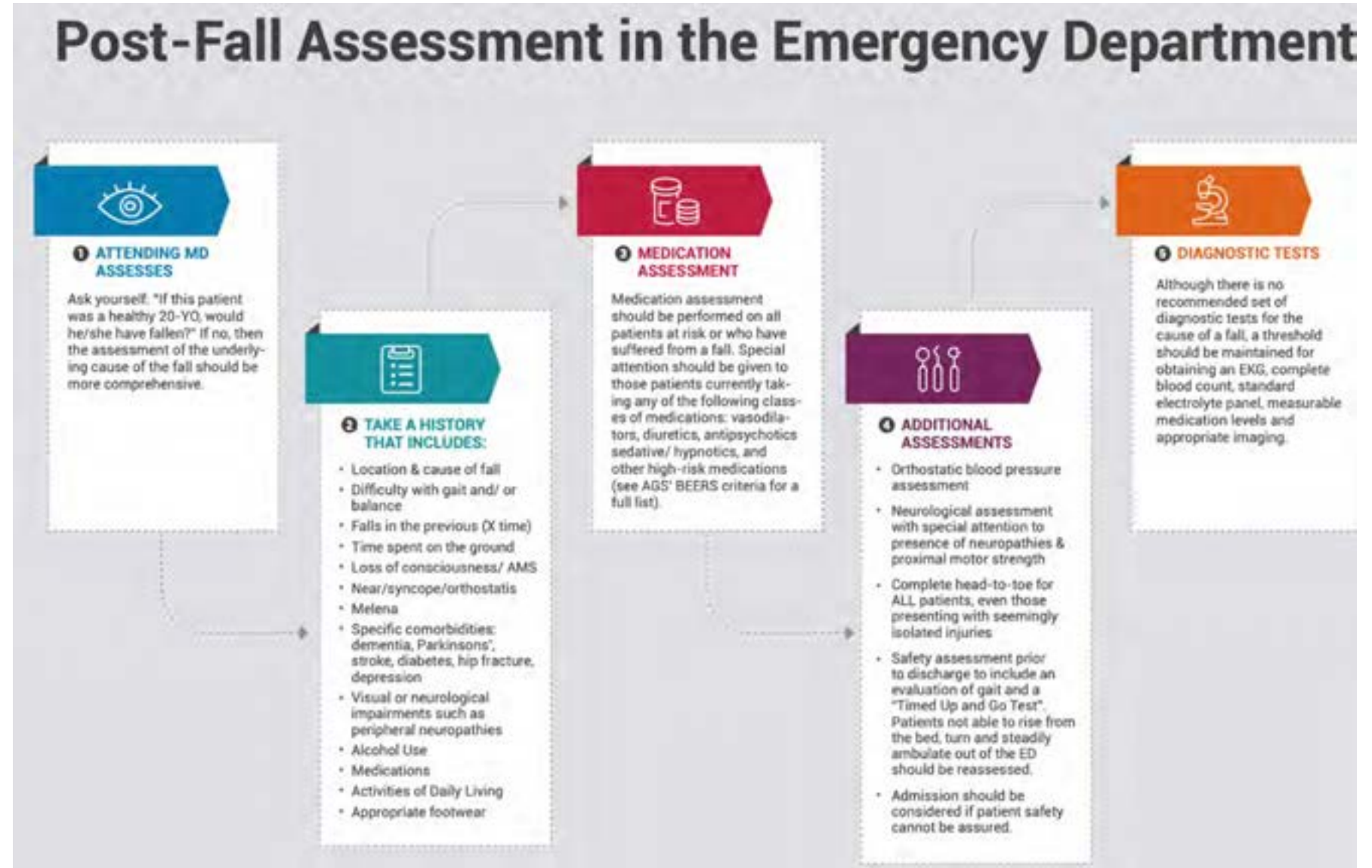




# Post-Fall Assessment

## INITIATING AT BEDSIDE

*Note: Example of potential assessments*





# TUG Test & Interpretation

## INITIATING AT BEDSIDE



### TIMED UP & GO TEST

This is a quick and simple test to measure mobility and fall risk for older adults who can walk on their own.

Before you begin, make sure you have measured 3 meters (about 10 feet) and marked that distance with a landmark that the older adult can see. Be sure you have a stopwatch and a standard armchair.

**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Begin with the senior sitting in an armchair with hips and back at the back of the seat and arms resting on the arm rests. Make sure the senior is wearing their usual footwear and has any normal assistive device that he/she would typically use.
- Ask the senior to stand up by saying, "When I say 'go' I want you to stand up and walk to the line [or insert appropriate landmark], turn, walk back to the chair and then sit down again. Walk at your regular pace."
- Start timing as you say the word "Go" and stop timing when the senior is seated again.

Podsiadlowski, D., Richardson, S. The timed 'Up & Go': A Test of Basic Functional Mobility for Frail Elderly Persons. Journal of American Geriatric Society. 1991; 39(2):142-148.

Expected Gait Speed			
AGE	DESCRIPTION	RATING	SD
60-69	Overall	7.9 seconds	0.9
70-79	Overall	7.7 seconds	2.3
80-89	Without device	11.0 seconds	2.2
	With device	19.9 seconds	6.4
	Overall	13.6 seconds	5.6
90-101	Without device	14.7 seconds	7.9
	With device	19.9 seconds	2.5
	Overall	17.7 seconds	5.8

Lusvardi, M.M. (2004). Functional Performance in Community Living Older Adults. Journal of Geriatric Physical Therapy, 26(1):14-22.

Predictive Interpretation	
SECONDS	RATING
< 10	Normal, freely mobile
< 20	Mostly independent, can go out alone
20-29	Variable mobility, requires assistance
> 30	Mobility impaired

A score >14 seconds is associated with a higher risk of falls

Shumway-Cook, A., Brauer, S., Wollacott, M. Predicting the probability of falls in community-dwelling older adults using the timed up & go test. Physical Therapy, 2000; 80(9):896-903.





# Safe Mobility in the ED

ED-WIDE  
IMPLEMENTATION

## ENABLING SAFE MOBILITY IN THE ED

### EQUIPMENT & DESIGN ELEMENTS TO PREVENT FALLS WITHIN THE ED

Even floor  
surfaces

Rubber or  
nonskid floor  
surfaces/  
mats

Handrails  
on walls and  
hallways

Aisle  
lighting

Bedside  
commodes  
and grab bars  
in restrooms

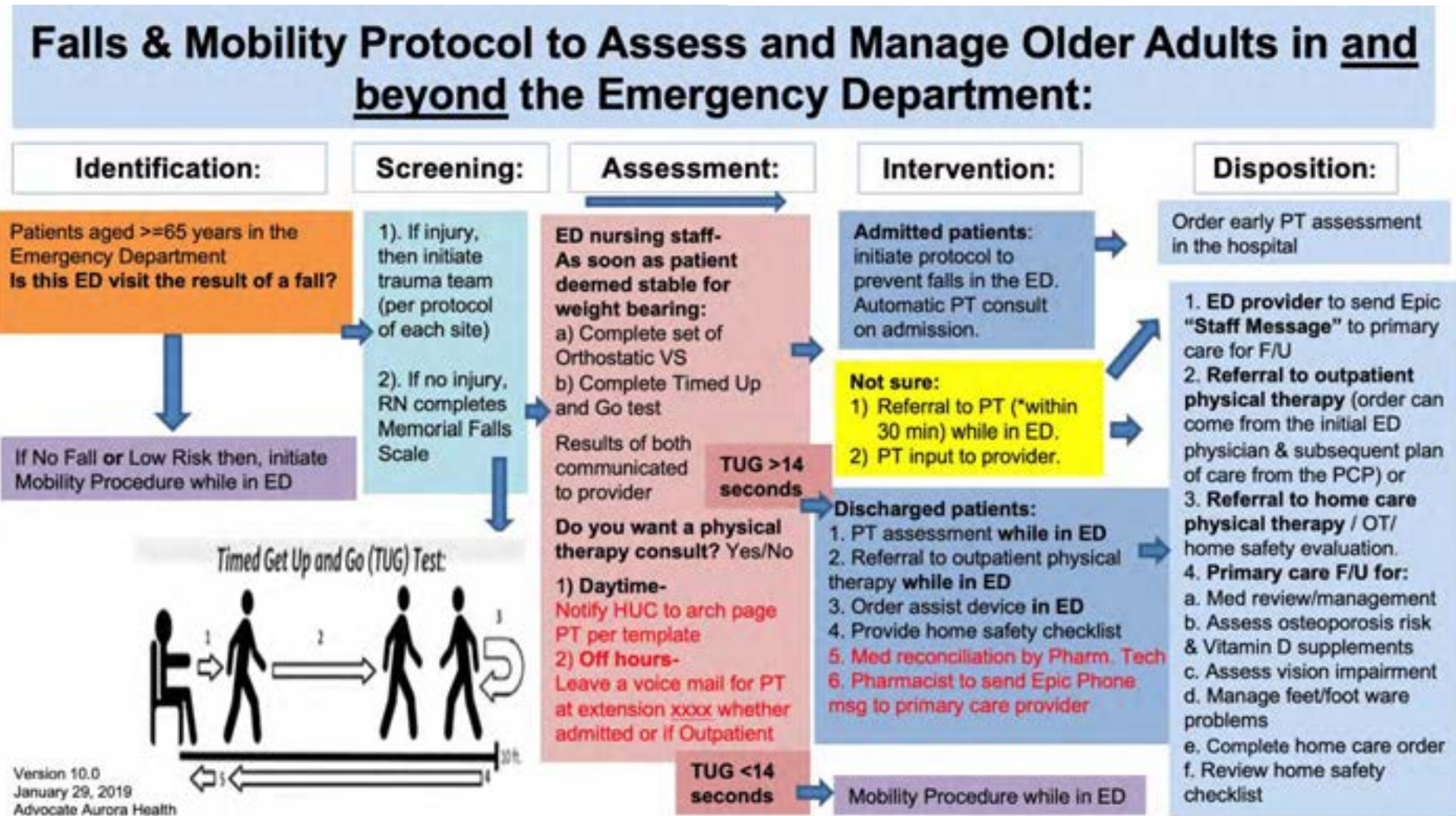
24/7 access  
to mobility  
assist  
devices





# AAH Falls & Mobility Protocol

Example of tailoring the FOAM Protocol, Assessment, & Interventions





# Key Points in Implementation

- Form an interdisciplinary team of champions
- Educate staff on protocol
- Develop tools and workflow in EHR
- Collaborate with community partners
  - Health Depts., EMS, Assisted Living etc., Stepping On/Falls Prevention programs
- Collaborate with stakeholder along the continuum
  - Pharmacy on medication reconciliation & management
  - Primary care follow up and continuity of care
  - Home care
  - Population Health
- Metrics & Report
- Continuous Improvement



- Workflow
- Roles & Responsibilities
- Interdisciplinary
- Multiple routes
- PDSA Feedback

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# Mobility Documentation

- Go to the nursing procedures toolbox

## Nursing Procedures

- + Wound Procedure
- + Splint/Cast/Brace
- + **Mobility**
- + Visual Acuity
- + Ear/Eye Irrigation
- + Bladder Scan/Straight Cath
- + Phlebotomy
- + Enema
- + Gastric Lavage
- + ECG Interpretation Date/Time

Find an Event

+ Add

**Mobility**

Time taken: 1523 1/23/2020

Show: ☐ Row Info ☐ Last Filed ☒ All Choices

+ Add Row + Add Group Values By + Create Note

▼ Mobility

Activity

<input type="checkbox"/> Ambulated	<input type="checkbox"/> Bedpan given	<input type="checkbox"/> Bed rest (MD order)	<input type="checkbox"/> Bedside commode
<input type="checkbox"/> Chair (all types)	<input type="checkbox"/> Dangled	<input type="checkbox"/> Extremity elevation/L...	<input type="checkbox"/> Head of bed elevation
<input type="checkbox"/> Off unit	<input type="checkbox"/> Pivot	<input type="checkbox"/> Pushing	<input type="checkbox"/> Range of motion
<input type="checkbox"/> Resting in bed	<input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping/Appeared t...	<input type="checkbox"/> Stood at bedside	<input type="checkbox"/> Turn
<input type="checkbox"/> Up ad lib	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (comment)		

Weight Bearing Status

<input type="checkbox"/> Non-weight bearing	<input type="checkbox"/> Touch weight bearing	<input type="checkbox"/> Weight bearing as tolerated
<input type="checkbox"/> Heel walking	<input type="checkbox"/> Partial weight bearing (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (comment)

Mobility Assistive Device

<input type="checkbox"/> Brace	<input type="checkbox"/> Cane	<input type="checkbox"/> Ceiling lift	<input type="checkbox"/> Crutches	<input type="checkbox"/> Gait belt
<input type="checkbox"/> Prosthesis	<input type="checkbox"/> Sit to stand	<input type="checkbox"/> Slide board/sheet	<input type="checkbox"/> Splint	<input type="checkbox"/> Total lift
<input type="checkbox"/> Transfer/Friction ...	<input type="checkbox"/> Trapeze	<input type="checkbox"/> Turn and position...	<input type="checkbox"/> Walker	<input type="checkbox"/> Wheelchair
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (comment)				

Level of Assistance

☐ Independent ☐ Supervision ☐ Minimal assist ☐ Moderate as... ☐ Maximal assist ☐ Total assist

Activity Response

<input type="checkbox"/> No abnormal symptoms	<input type="checkbox"/> Blurred vision	<input type="checkbox"/> Chest pain/angina
<input type="checkbox"/> Excessive heart rate (> 90% of a...	<input type="checkbox"/> Excessive pain	<input type="checkbox"/> Dysrhythmias
<input type="checkbox"/> Diaphoresis	<input type="checkbox"/> Dizziness	<input type="checkbox"/> Excessive dyspnea or fatigue
<input type="checkbox"/> Systolic BP > 180 mmHg	<input type="checkbox"/> Systolic BP drop > 20 mmHg fro...	<input type="checkbox"/> Systolic BP drop > 20 mmHg fro...
<input type="checkbox"/> SPO2 drop below 90%	<input type="checkbox"/> Syncope	<input type="checkbox"/> Weakness

Positioning

<input type="checkbox"/> Lying L side	<input type="checkbox"/> Lying R side	<input type="checkbox"/> Log rolled	<input type="checkbox"/> Offloading/tilt left
<input type="checkbox"/> Offloading/tilt right	<input type="checkbox"/> Rotation, automated	<input type="checkbox"/> Semi-fowlers	<input type="checkbox"/> Supine
<input type="checkbox"/> Prone	<input type="checkbox"/> Turned Q 2 hours	<input type="checkbox"/> Knee/Chest	<input type="checkbox"/> Patient refused



# How To Order EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT PHYSICAL THERAPY Consult?

- ED Provider orders “Consult PT for training”
- (Optional site specific)RN or Tech calls and request PT assessment in the ED

Order Search

PHYSICAL

Browse Preference List Facility List

⌵ Panels (No results found)

⌵ Medications (No results found)

⌵ Procedures ⌵

Name	Type	Pref List	Px Code
Consult PT for training	PT	ED OR...	PT4
Consult PT for training	PT	ED OR...	PT4
Chest physiotherapy (aka CHEST PHYSICAL THERAPY)	RES...	ED RE...	RT7

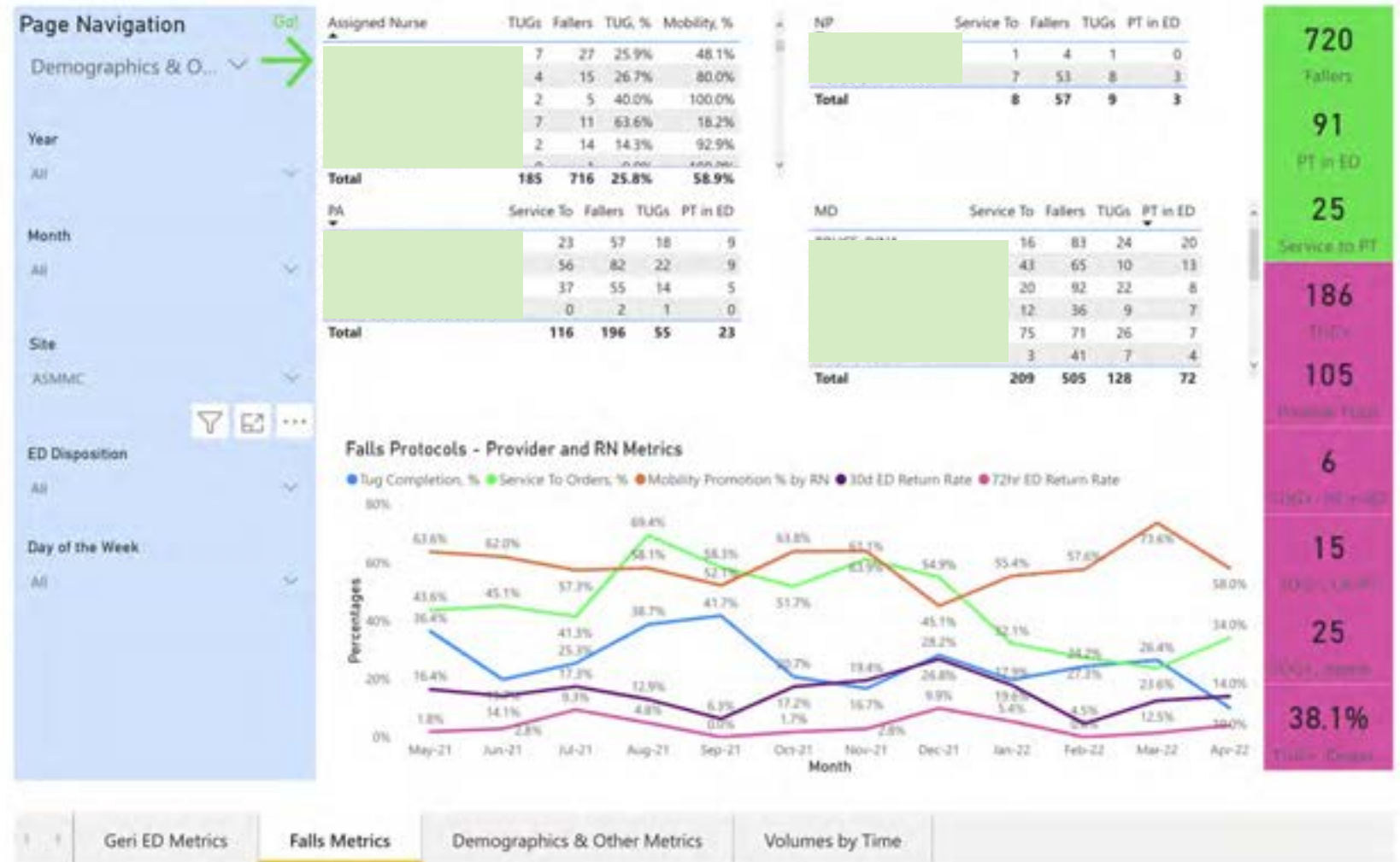
Select And Stay Accept Cancel



# Metrics & Reports

Example of AAH Falls & Mobility Dashboard (SharePoint)

- Easy Access
- Key process & outcomes
- Slice & Dice
- Interdisciplinary
- Broad Access





# Lessons Learned

- Multi-component, Multi-discipline Protocols can be difficult
- Embed & Align & Augment existing processes
- Listen to front line stakeholders
- Develop robust metrics and reports for feedback
- Continuously Improve
- Celebrate accomplishments





**THANK YOU!**

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# Geriatric EDs: Implementation Tips, & QI resources

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Geriatric Emergency Department Accreditation



# Level 3 Accreditation

1

## Champion Education

- Role of the Delirium Champion
- Screening Tools & Workflows
- Caregiver Handouts

2

## Mobility and Nutrition

3

## Protocol

- Existing policy vs. GED protocol
- Additional overlay with existing
- Evaluation: Clear describe who, what, frequency of metrics
- Process Measures & Patient Outcomes

4

## General Tips for Success Pre-Peri-Post Application

- Multiple Sites & 1 Goal
- Economies of Scale: Protocol development, metrics, Job descriptions, charter
- Interprofessional: Empower all disciplines, define roles & expectations
- Journey, not a destination...continuous improvement...Not going to be perfect at the start
- Align with Existing Resources: Shared Governance



# Key Application Criteria: Physician & RN Champion

## Job Description

- Describe Role & Responsibilities
  - Document for each discipline
- How they support Program, ED, Site, & Staff
  - Q? meetings, review metrics, provide feedback, report to ED & Hospital
- Different than HR documents, CVs, etc
- Minimum is RN & MD Champ
  - Multiple is helpful to provide feedback on different perspectives and shifts

## Education

- Must be Geriatric Specific!
- **Physician:** 4 CME
  - <https://geri-em.com>
  - <https://gedcollaborative.com/clinical-curriculum/>
- **Nurse:** No minimum
  - ENA GENE courses 1-3
  - Beginner-Expert
  - <https://enau.ena.org/Public/Catalog/Main.aspx?Criteria=19>



# Key Application Criteria: Protocol

## Existing Policy vs. GED Protocol

- Build upon what is existing
  - IE: Don't wait for new EHR tool
  - IE: Its ok to use paper...for a while
- Clearly Defines WHAT is different for Older Adults
  - IE: Urinary Cath Policy as a start, but what is the new screening, assessment, interventions, metrics, staff education, etc

## Transition Beyond the ED

- Process for improving transitions
  - IE: Falls protocol- Referrals to out-patient PT and/or PCP for fallen pts

## Evaluation

- Clearly describe who, what, when, & frequency of reviewing the metrics
  - Bake in Metrics into process
  - Process Measures VS Patient Outcomes
- IE: RN complete ISAR on all older adults, >3 scores are referred to CM & MD for discharge. The Geri ED champs presents data monthly, team reviews & make changes to decrease rate of 72hr & 30day ED revisits.
  - RN ISAR % (Process)
  - % + pts with post ED services (Process)
  - 30day ED revisit (Patient Outcomes)



# Key Application Criteria: Mobility & Nutrition

## Access to Mobility Devices

- Patient use in the ED (\*not DME)
- Hospital approved devices
- Describe: who uses them, where are they located, how to access them, How is staff educated
- Take a picture!



## Access to Nutrition

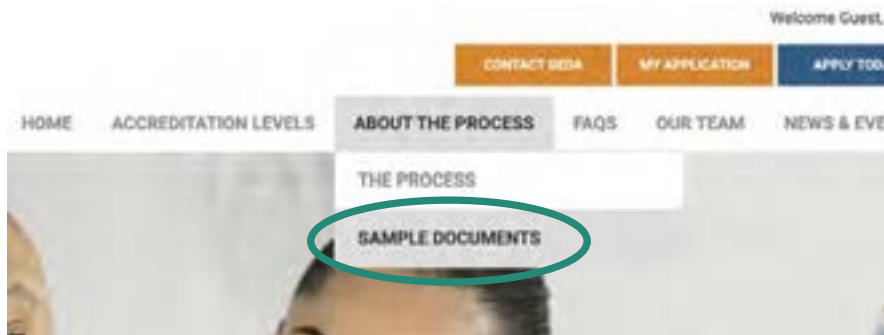
- 24/7 Access
- Range of choices, not just apple sauce
- Describe: Regular tray service AND how you provide nutrition afterhours
- Take a picture!



<https://gedcollaborative.com/jgem/vol2-is1-sup3-clinical-aspects-of-providing-a-meal-of-an-older-patient-in-the-ed/>



# Sample Documents





















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## Sample Documents

To facilitate the application process, we recommend that you gather the appropriate documentation before beginning the application. Below is a checklist of some of the documents needed to complete the application. Sample documents for these items have been provided below. Documents must be uploaded in PDF format.

	Level 3	Level 2	Level 1
Staffing			
Education			
Policies / Protocols Guidelines & Procedures			
Quality Improvement			
Outcome Measures			
Equipment & Supplies			
Physical Environment			



# General Tips for Success



## **It's a JOURNEY not a destination**

It's not going to be perfect at the start  
...Ongoing, continuous improvement.



## **Interprofessional**

Empower all disciplines at all levels



## **Economies of Scale at Prime:**

- Multiple Sites & 1 Goal
- Organize multi-site work teams
- Leverage teams for Protocol development, Metrics, Job descriptions, Charter



## **Align with Existing Resources**

- Shared governance
- Quality
- ACO's



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## Resources



Resources

Events

Research

Resource Library

Implementation Toolkits

Clinical Curriculum

Journal of Geriatric Emergency Medicine

On-Demand Webinars

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Can an Emergency Department Adequately Address an Older Adult who has Complex Needs?

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INTRODUCTION

The Emergency Department (ED) is a critical component of the geriatric continuum of care. USA adults comprise up to 10% of ED attendance and 10% of patients transported by emergency medical services (EMS). Despite this, the traditional rapid triage ED treatment framework remains ill-equipped to meet the complex care needs of many vulnerable older adults. Upon discharge, the ED-to-home transition is a high-risk time for older adults. About one-third of older adults will suffer an adverse event including ED revisit, eventual hospital referral, admission to a long-term care institution, or death within months of the ED visit. Moreover, extended or frequent ED visits and repeated hospitalizations are costly.

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Elder Mistreatment  
Emergency Department Toolkit

1 in 10



people ages 60 and older experience some form of mistreatment

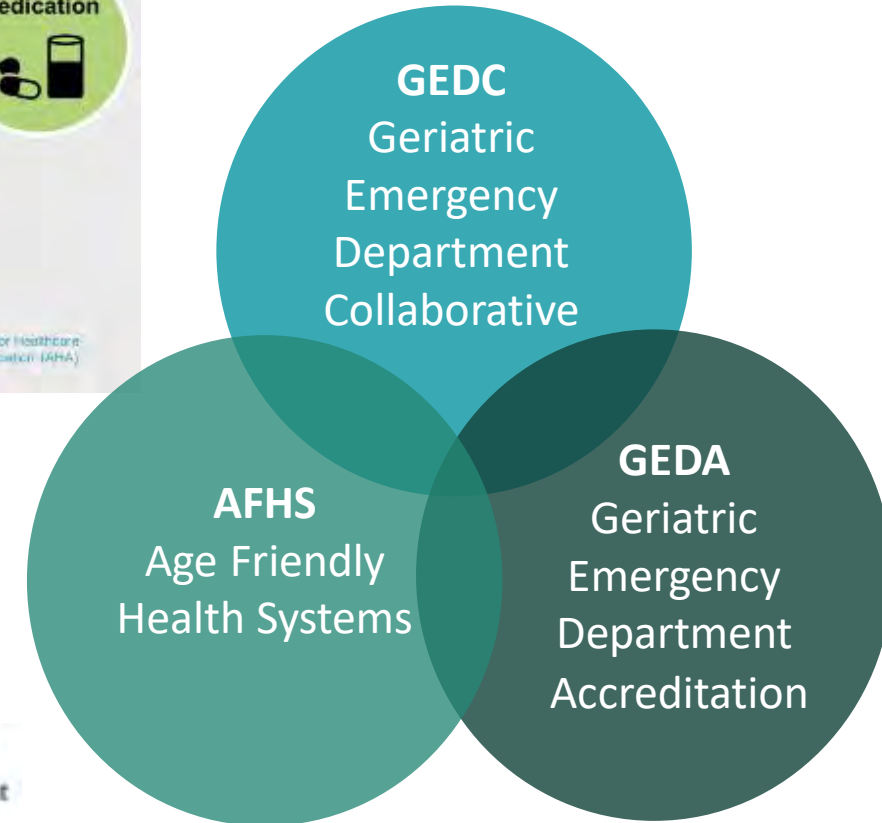
### Delirium in the Older Emergency Department Patient (ED-DEL)

Change Package and Toolkit





# Geri ED Alignment





# Guide to Recognition for Geriatric Emergency Department Accredited Sites

April 2022

ihl.org/AgeFriendly

The content was created especially for:

**Age-Friendly Health Systems**



## GEDA Elements Aligned with the 4Ms

Policies, Protocols, Guidelines, and Procedures as a Component of ACEP Geriatric ED Accreditation Criteria



	What Matters	Medication	Mentation	Mobility
A standardized delirium screening guideline (examples: DTS, CAM, 4AT, other) with appropriate follow-up			X	
A guideline for standardized fall assessment (including mobility assessment, e.g., TUG or other) with appropriate follow-up				X
A guideline to minimize the use of potentially inappropriate medications (Beers' list, or other hospital-specific strategy, access to an ED-based pharmacist)		X		
Development and implementation of at least three order sets for common geriatric ED presentations developed with particular attention to geriatric-appropriate medications and dosing and management plans (e.g., delirium, hip fracture, sepsis, stroke, ACS)		X		
A guideline to promote mobility				X

## Assessing, Documenting, and Acting On What Matters in the Geriatric ED

Assess: Know about What Matters for Each Older Adult in Your Care	
Getting Started: Key Actions	Tips and Resources
<p><b>Ask the older adult What Matters</b></p> <p>How does your clinical team ascertain the patient's specific goals for their ED visit beyond their chief complaint? (If or example, ensure this abdominal pain does not mean I have stomach cancer.)</p> <p>If you do not have existing questions to start this conversation, try the following, and adapt as needed:</p> <p>"What do you most want to focus on while you are here for _____ (fill in health problem) so that you can do _____ (fill in desired activity) more often or more easily?"</p> <p>Or:</p> <p>"What outcome are you most hoping for from this ED visit?"</p> <p>For older adults with advanced or serious illness, consider:</p> <p>"What are your most important goals if your health situation worsens?"</p>	<p><b>Tips</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This action focuses clinical encounters, decision making, and care planning on What Matters most to the older adults.</li> <li>• Consider segmenting your population by healthy older adults, those with chronic conditions, those with serious illness, and individuals at the end of life. How you ask What Matters of each segment may differ.</li> <li>• Consider starting these conversations with informants to the person. Then ask them what their plans are related to life milestones, travel plans, birthdays, and so on in the next six months to emphasize, "I matter, too." Once "who matters" and "I matter, too" are discussed, then informants becomes easier to discuss. The <a href="#">What Matters Most letter template</a> (Stanford Letter Project) can guide this discussion.</li> <li>• Responsibility for asking What Matters can rest with any member of the care team; however, one person needs to be identified as responsible to ensure it is reliably done.</li> <li>• You may decide to include family or care partners in a discussion about What Matters; however, it is important to also ask the older adult individually.</li> <li>• Ask people with dementia What Matters. Ask people with delirium What Matters at a time when delirium symptoms are minimal or absent.</li> </ul> <p><b>Additional Resources</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">"What Matters" in Older Adults: A Toolkit for Health Systems to Foster Better Care with Older Adults</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">The Conversation Project and Conversation Guide</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Patient Priorities Care</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Serious Illness Conversation Resources</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Stanford Letter Project</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">"What Matters to You?" Instructional Video and A Guide to Serious Illness Conversations about What Matters</a> (BC Patient Safety &amp; Quality Council)</li> <li>• <a href="#">End of Life Care Conversations: Medicare Reimbursement FAQs</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">National POLST, Long Term Care Facility Guidance for POLST and COVID-19</a></li> <li>• <a href="#">Annie Labe Serious Illness Care Program: COVID-19 Resource Toolkit</a> (a guide for long-term care, implementation tips, and a demonstration video)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Responsible Serious COVID-19 Resources</a> (for having conversations with older adults when planning care for COVID-19)</li> </ul>



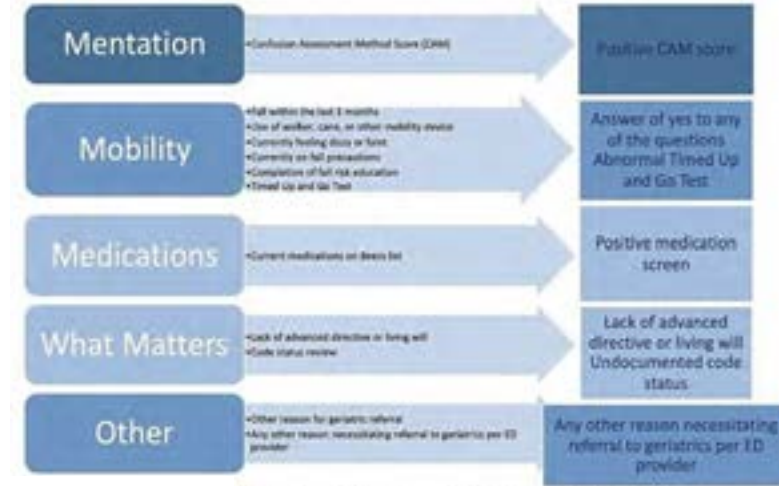


## Using the 4M Model to Screen Geriatric Patients in the Emergency Department

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### Geriatric 4M Screening Tool



Screening Tool Components and Assessment Tools

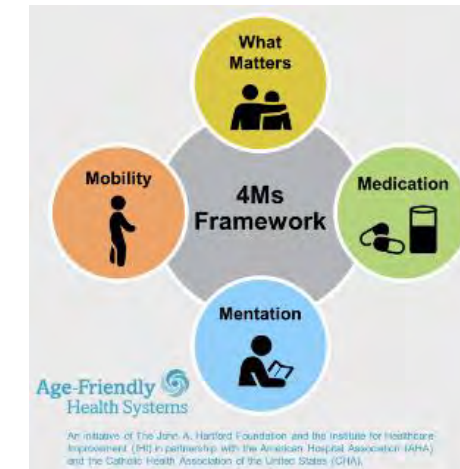
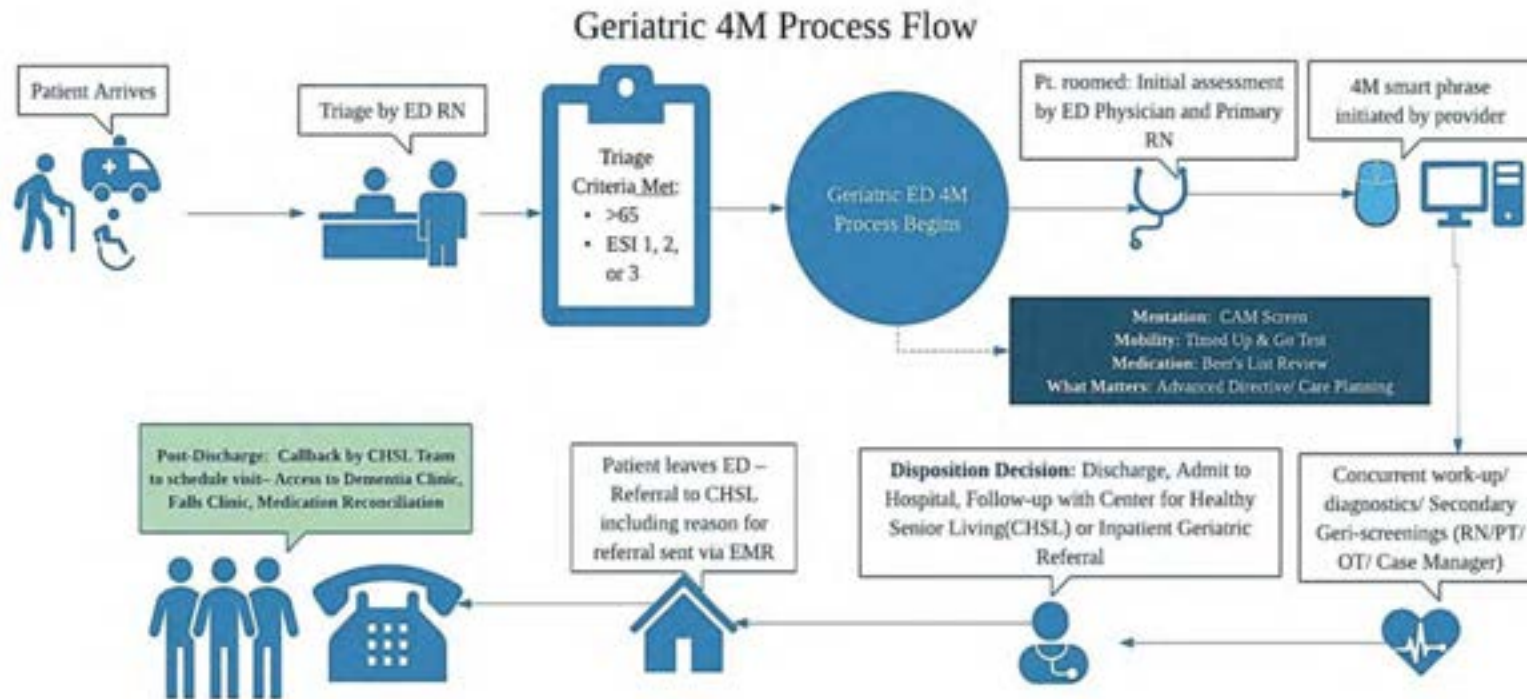


Figure 2: Geriatric Emergency Department Screening Workflow at a Level 1 Geriatric Emergency Department

Legend: ED = Emergency Department. RN = Registered Nurse. ESI = Emergency Severity Index. Pt = Patient. PT = Physical Therapy. OT = Occupational Therapy



# Elder Mistreatment Toolkit ( the 5<sup>th</sup> M )

**National Collaboratory to Address Elder Mistreatment**

## Elder Mistreatment Emergency Department Toolkit



**1 in 10**  
people ages 60 and older experience or witness forms of mistreatment

**1 in 24**  
cases of elder mistreatment are reported to the authorities

**7** think [the Elder Mistreatment Emergency Department Toolkit] enhances our current practice. And it provides a service to patients that may otherwise fall through the cracks. And so, it's good for our patients. It's good for our community."  
—Hospital Emergency Center Manager

**THE CHALLENGE:**  
Elder mistreatment is a prevalent public health problem in the US that has devastating consequences. It can be defined as the abuse or neglect of an older adult by a person they trust, including physical, sexual, or emotional abuse, neglect, and exploitation. Even as we enter an era of increasing "age-friendliness," the estimated one in ten older adults who experience elder mistreatment remain largely unreported and unrecognized.

To respond to this challenge, The National Collaboratory to Address Elder Mistreatment has developed a toolkit for use by health systems and communities to improve the safety and wellbeing of older adults. Focused on screening and referral in Emergency Departments, the toolkit also offers resources for clinicians and health systems to strengthen relationships with community resources that can support older adults after discharge.

**7.3 million** older adults in the US will be mis-treated in 2030

**ONLY 4%** of these cases will be reported

**More than 7 million cases will go unreported**

"We can't have an Age-Friendly Health Care System if people feel unsafe and vulnerable."  
—Sara Pulman PhD, NIA RAH President of The John A. Hartford Foundation

### WHAT'S IN THE TOOLKIT?

The toolkit has four key elements:

- ED Staff Survey**  
20 questions to measure readiness for ED staff assessment current practice and define priorities for practice and systems change.
- Online Training Modules**  
Interactive online training to help to identify and respond to elder mistreatment.
- Screening and Response Tool**  
Brief screening and response tool to identify at-risk patients and develop safety and discharge plans.
- Community Connections Roadmap**  
A guide for identifying and connecting with community partners that can support patient safety and follow-up.

### HOW DOES IT WORK?



### WHO SHOULD USE THE TOOLKIT?

The toolkit is available, free of charge, to any institution interested in improving their response to elder mistreatment. It has been tested in a range of health-care settings—urban and rural, private and safety-net, academic and religiously affiliated—and found to be feasible to use and to improve rates of screening for elder mistreatment in every case. The toolkit will be available in digital format in early 2022, in partnership with the Geriatric Emergency Department Collaborative ([www.geriatricemergencydepartment.org](http://www.geriatricemergencydepartment.org)).

### ABOUT THE NATIONAL COLLABORATORY TO ADDRESS ELDER MISTREATMENT AND EDC

With funding from The John A. Hartford Foundation and The Gordon and Betty Moore, The National Collaboratory to Address Elder Mistreatment was founded in 2015 with a charge to develop a viable response to the prevalence of elder mistreatment. This group is comprised of national experts in elder mistreatment from the University of Southern California Viterbi School of Medicine, University of Massachusetts Medical School, The University of Texas, and West Coast College of Medicine, with Education Development Center (EDC) serving as the Collaboratory's executive EDC is a global nonprofit with more than 60 years of experience designing, building, and implementing transformative programs with addressing critical challenges in health, education, and economic inequality.

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## Questions?



# Closing Remarks

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Bronx, NY
- ❖ NYC Health + Hospitals/Lincoln Hospital  
Bronx, NY
- ❖ NYC Health + Hospitals/North Central  
Bronx Hospital  
Bronx, NY
- ❖ Richmond University Medical Center  
Staten Island, NY
- ❖ SBH Health System / St. Barnabas Hospital  
Bronx, NY
- ❖ SUNY Downstate University Hospital Brooklyn  
Brooklyn, NY



## Capital District New York

- ❖ The Albany Med System/Saratoga Hospital  
Saratoga Springs, NY

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- ❖ Eastern Niagara Hospital  
Lockport, NY

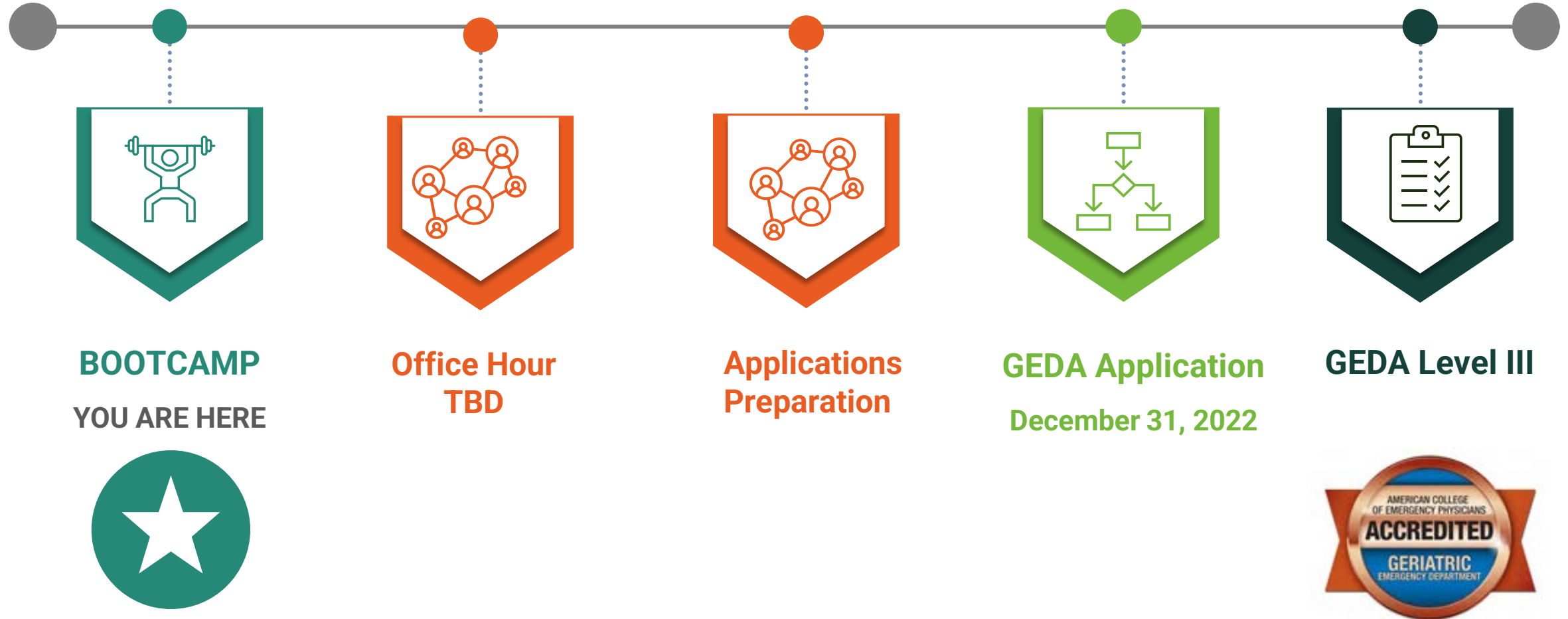
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Sidney, NY
- ❖ Bassett/Cobleskill Regional Hospital  
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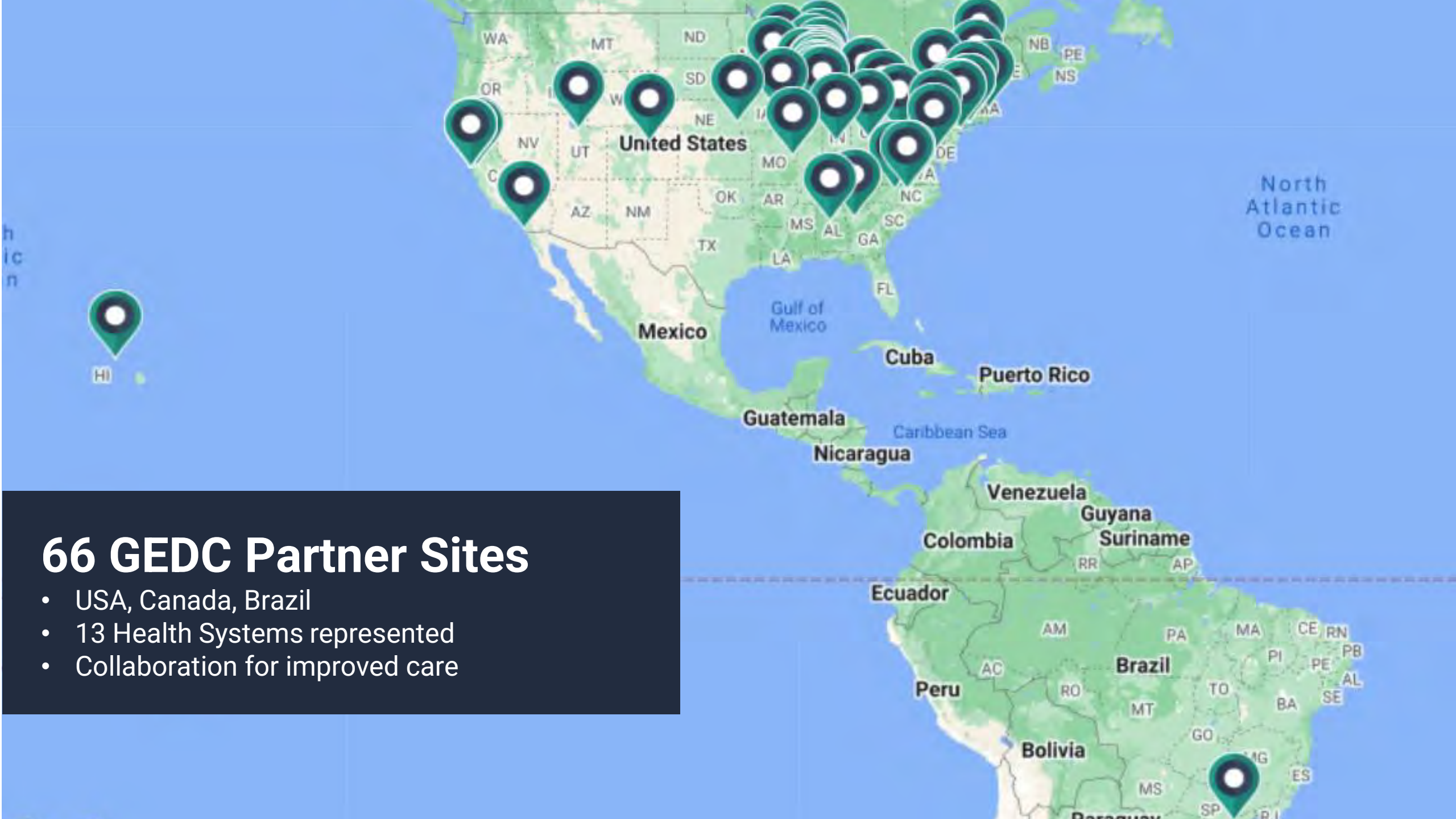
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GEDC is comprised of Emergency Departments dedicated to accomplishing these goals together, and sharing best practices in order to accelerate the evolutions in care models needed to improve emergency care for older adults.



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