

Keystone Center for Geriatric Care and Education

Screening for Falls: OT and PT Perspectives Prevention is the Best Medicine

December 14, 2017, 4 – 5 PM EST

Falls are the leading cause of fatal and nonfatal injuries in those 65 and older (CDC). Falls result in 800,000 hospitalizations each year and are the most common cause of traumatic brain injuries (CDC). Primary care physicians are in an ideal position to screen for risk factors that contribute to falls and refer to appropriate rehabilitation and community based services.

A free webinar titled “**Screening for Falls: OT and PT Perspectives – Prevention is the Best Medicine**” will be held on **Thursday, December 14th, 2017 from 4 PM until 5 PM EST**. The webinar will discuss risk factors for falls in the elderly, the role of occupational and physical therapy in falls prevention, and recommend screening tools for primary care. Speakers will also discuss referrals to rehabilitation specialists as well as community-based programs aimed at preventing first falls or recurrent falls. The speakers for this webinar are Adele Breen-Franklin, OTD, JD, OTR/L, Director of the Occupational Doctoral Program at the University of the Sciences, and Lora Packel PT, PhD, CCS, Interim Chair of the Department of Physical Therapy at the University of the Sciences.

This free webinar series is sponsored by the Keystone Center for Geriatric Care and Education. These webinars are designed to enhance the capacity of primary care providers to respond to the health needs of older adults or their caregivers by focusing on geriatric health issues commonly encountered in a primary care setting. The series includes an opportunity to earn continuing education credits for health professionals.

The Perelman School of Medicine at The University of Pennsylvania in partnership with Penn Medicine Nursing, the University of the Sciences, the Health Promotion Council of Southeastern Pennsylvania, Lancaster General Health, and the Corporal Michael J. Crescenz Veterans Affairs Medical Center, Philadelphia (formerly the Philadelphia VA Medical Center) have developed the “**Keystone Center for Geriatric Care and Education**” to serve the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Our key personnel represent the disciplines of medicine, nursing, pharmacy, physical and occupational therapy, psychiatry, public health, and social work. The overall goal of the Keystone Center is to enhance the capacity of the primary care workforce to care for seniors. The Center’s objectives are 1) to integrate geriatrics in primary care settings (office practices, nursing home, and home care); 2) educate and train health professionals in discipline-specific and interprofessional care of seniors; 3) partner with community organizations in health education and dissemination targeting patients, families, and caregivers; and 4) create and enhance models of care delivery, training, and public education about cognitive health and dementia.

There is no commercial financial support associated with this continuing education activity.

In support of improving patient care, Penn Medicine is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

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Penn Medicine designates this a maximum of **1.0 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™**. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

This activity is approved for **1.0** Nursing contact hours.

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Successful completion of this CME activity, which includes participation in the evaluation component, enables the participant to earn up to **1.0** MOC point in the American Board of Internal Medicine's (ABIM) Maintenance of Certification (MOC) program. Participants will earn MOC points equivalent to the amount of CME credits claimed for the activity. It is the CME activity provider's responsibility to submit participant completion information to ACCME for the purpose of granting ABIM MOC credit.

Patient Safety/Risk Management Designation

This activity has been designated for 1 hour in Patient Safety/Risk Management by the Office of Continuing Medical Education, Perelman School of Medicine at the University of Pennsylvania.

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