

Alzheimer's Patient Safety Training

Quick bedside guide for nurses and care teams

Common safety risks

- Wandering or exit-seeking
- Falls from poor judgment or unfamiliar surroundings
- Missed pain, hunger, thirst, toileting, or fatigue cues
- Medication refusal or confusion

Bedside safety actions

- Use calm one-step instructions
- Keep call bell, glasses, hearing aids, and familiar items nearby
- Reorient gently without arguing
- Check environment for clutter, cords, wet floors, and unlocked exits

Escalate when

- Sudden behavior change suggests delirium or infection
- New aggression, repeated falls, choking, or refusal of essential care
- Family reports major change from baseline