

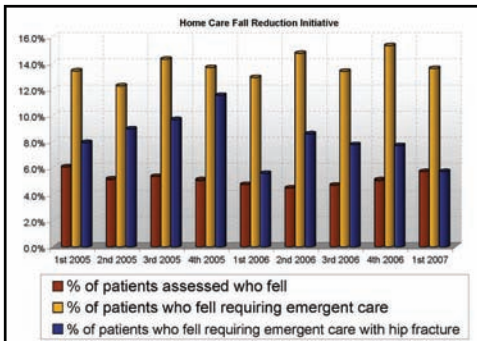


# Home Care Fall Reduction Initiative & Benchmarking Project

In 2004, the Missouri Alliance for Home Care (MAHC) developed a set of standardized tools for reporting and monitoring falls and began inviting home care agencies from across the country to submit their data for comparison and tracking. The project aims to:

- Reduce Falls
- Improve Outcomes
- Establish a baseline of falls in home care

MAHC compiles the data and returns easy-to-read individualized reports to each participating agency. These reports show how the agency's rate of falls compared to the data collected over the past quarter. Staff can use their fall report to track improved outcomes and trends within the agency.



The more agencies that participate in the study, the more comprehensive and useful the data is: Having a tool that can clearly demonstrate improved outcomes will become even more important for home care agencies as PPS revisions are implemented.

## Program Includes

- Risk assessment screening tool
- Fall report form
- Data entry template
- Training and on-going support
- Individualized agency data analysis each quarter
- Data summary and graphs for 2005, 2006 and 2007
- Best practices and recommendations for improved outcomes
- Opportunity to join MAHC project events

## **MAHC will be accepting data from new participants starting January 1, 2008.**

You are invited to join this important initiative working toward improved safety for patients and creating a wider body of knowledge and training for home care professionals. The participation fee covers all of the tools, templates, and training needed to immediately begin tracking the frequency and severity of patient falls. All participating agencies receive a quarterly fall data summary and an individualized agency analysis. Contact MAHC (573) 634-7772 to learn more.

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Visit [www.homecaremissouri.org](http://www.homecaremissouri.org) to download the registration form and learn more about MAHC's other benchmarking initiatives.



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