

Home Safety Checklist

You are about to undergo surgery for a joint replacement. This checklist will assist you in preparing your home for your return.

*All rooms that will be used by the person undergoing joint replacement surgery should be checked

Item	Yes	No
Is the lighting bright and adequate?		
Is the floor covering securely fixed and in good repair?		
Are non-slip mats and rugs used? Have throw-rugs been removed?		
Have tripping hazards like cords been removed?		
Are spills on the floor mopped up immediately?		
Do doors open and close easily?		
Is the furniture arranged for easy movement?		
Has any furniture with wheels been removed?		
Is the room free of clutter?		
Have items like your chair, remote control, radio, telephone, medicine, tissues, wastebasket, and drinks been placed where you will spend most of your time?		
Can person get up and down stairs and steps safely?		
Do glass doors have some type of protection to prevent the glass from breaking if fallen against?		
Can person get into and out of the shower without stepping over a tub?		
Is a nonslip mat used in the shower?		
Is there a secure place to sit in the shower?		
Is there room for a walker in the bathroom?		
Is the toilet 20 inches or higher from floor to toilet seat?		
Is there light near the bed?		
Are pets in the house?		
Have frequently used items been moved from high to low storage?		
Is a portable telephone available? Or Emergency call system in place?		