

Recommendations for making a referral for a Home Safety Assessment:

1. Contact a PT or OT who can perform an on-site Home Safety Assessment:

This may be done through home health care (if your patient is already receiving services or will qualify for home health care), or on an outpatient basis (call the PT/OT clinic in the area if you are unsure whether they do home assessments).

2. Provide a prescription for PT or OT to provide that assessment, including:

Patient's name and birthdate

A medical diagnosis

-This may include: gait disorder, balance impairment, gait instability, hemiparesis, history of multiple falls, s/p hip fracture repair, etc.

"PT" and/or "OT" (as appropriate) "Evaluate and treat" (so that necessary follow-up can occur)

"Home Safety Assessment" as appropriate

PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE