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Clinical Excellence Commission
• Fun play on words about a serious issue of preventing older people falling
• Acknowledgement to Northern Sydney Local Health District for the April Falls concept
April Falls Day Working Group

- Working group with LHD representatives
- Theme – *Share the care: Falls Prevention is everyone’s business®.*
- Assist and approve the resources available for April Falls Day®
Share the care: **Falls Prevention is everyone's business**®

April Falls 2016

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**Falls are preventable.**
We all have a role to play.

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**CARERS: YOUR ROLE IS KEY**

**TALK TO STAFF**
if you notice any changes in the patient’s condition

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**APRIL FALLS DAY**
1st April 2016

**Carers are important**
Involve everyone in a patient’s care

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Engage with Carers
Win!

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Show us how you have prevented falls or raised awareness of falls in your ward or work area in the last 12 months (April 2015 - April 2016) ... Easy!

To Enter
Using the entry form, list the top 3 strategies your area has used to:
- prevent falls or falls injury
- reduce or maintain an already low falls rate, or
- raise awareness of falls prevention to staff and patients/carers.

Strategies must be:
- cost effective, sustainable and engage patients and/or carers.

Entries close on Monday 2nd May 2016
Return the completed entry to: Tziporah Hutchinson, Project Officer, NSW Falls Prevention Program
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2016 New April Falls Month Competition across NSW

The winner this year was Jane-Maree Hunter from Medical Ward at Central Coast LHD
April Falls Month Competition

Runners up:

• *Susan Berry* from Pambula District Hospital

• *Iain Steel* from Braeside Hospital – who is talking about their “catch it early” initiative.