

Tips and Tools to Keep You on Your Feet



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About the book

Staying power: tips and tools to keep you on your feet gives practical and inspirational advice on how to prevent falls in your life. Through a combination of exercise and a healthy, active approach, you can beat what seem like the inevitable outcomes of getting older.

The ideas in *Staying power* are based on a community program called Stepping On, which has successfully changed the lives of many older people. This program reduced the falls rate of its participants by over 30%. Packed with ideas for setting up your home, getting out and about in your community and developing balance and strength in your body, as well as success stories from older people who have adopted these habits, *Staying power* will have you on your feet in no time and will keep you there.

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Together, Lindy and Megan developed the Stepping On program and wrote the manual *Stepping on: building confidence and reducing falls* (also published by Sydney University Press, 2008).