



Bee On the Lookout!

The BEE ALERT sign on the door of a patients' room helps all of the healthcare providers know to be extra careful and monitor more closely for patients that have been identified at risk for falls. You as a family member or significant other can help to keep the patient safe and accident free during their stay in our hospital.

Helpful Hints:

Beds should be kept in the lowest position.

Evaluate the patient environment for obvious hazards.

Electrical cords should be kept up out of walking paths.

Ask for assistance when getting your family member out of bed.

Lighting should be on to improve visibility.

Equipment (wheelchairs, etc.) should be locked before using.

Generally, two siderails up is better than four.

Remove any clutter to provide unobstructed walk way.

Toileting should be assisted. Always call for assistance.

The goal of Gateway Medical Center is to provide the safest environment possible for patient care. Your assistance in this effort is greatly appreciated and could prevent a fall.