

Accreditation: ROP of the MONTH

Required Organizational Practice: **Home Safety Risk Assessment**

WHAT IS A HOME SAFETY RISK ASSESSMENT?

- A **Home Safety Risk Assessment** is conducted for clients receiving services in their home.
- The assessment aims to promote safety for everyone involved—clients, families, and care team members.
- Information from the assessment is used for care planning and encourages open communication to manage identified hazards.

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- A **Home Safety Risk Assessment** is completed for every client at the beginning of home care services.
- The assessment includes a review of health conditions that need special precautions, client risk factors, emergency preparedness, and chemical, biological, fire and fall hazards.
- Clients and families are informed of safety concerns identified during the assessment so they can take steps to reduce risk and support safer care.
- The **Home Care Quality Improvement Team (QIT)** audits Home Safety Risk Assessments to improve services and enhance safety.

This Required Organizational Practice (ROP) applies only to Home Care

Accreditation Surveyors May Ask Staff:

How often is a Home Safety Risk Assessment Completed?

Can you describe/show me what the Home Safety Risk Assessment includes?

How is information from the Home Safety Risk Assessment used to plan and deliver services?

How are clients and families involved in Home Safety Risk Assessments?
What education do they receive?