

HOME HEALTH SAFETY

Three types of accidents make up the majority of claims dollars.

LUBA'S LOSS CONTROL APPROACH



PATIENT HANDLING

There are many mechanical and friction reducing devices to aid in the assisted movement of a patient while also protecting the care giver. The key is to find the appropriate tool for the situation.



MOTOR VEHICLE ACCIDENTS

Cell phone distractions are a key hazard for drivers. The best solutions are to instate a no cell phone while driving policy, or if a phone is necessary for navigation, to train drivers to use hands free features and utilize dash or mirror mounts.



SLIPS AND FALLS

Accident investigations should identify risk factors and controls for slips and falls. Safety inspections and meetings should focus on the known common hazards such as hoses, cords, clutter, and stairs for additional controls. The following sites highlight the subject of falls in the home health environment:

HTTPS://WWW.CRISISPREVENTION.COM/BLOG/ASSESSMENT-IN-HOME-CARE

HTTPS://WWW.VISITINGANGELS.COM/KNOWLEDGE-CENTER/SELECTING-CARE/PERFORMING-A-HOME-CARE-ASSESSMENT/42

HTTPS://WWW.YOUTUBE.COM/WATCH?V=QVEXKML09WE