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| ASSESSMENT TOOLS FOR USE BY PROFESSIONALS | | | | | |
| Comprehensive Assessment and Solution Process for Aging Residents (CASPAR) | Extended Home Living Services (EHLS) Wheeling, Illinois | https://www.ehls.com/national-grants/ | 1. Sanford, JA, Butterfield, T. (2005). Using Remote Assessment to Provide Home Modification Services to Underserved Elders. <i>The Gerontologist</i> , 45(3): 389-398. 2. Pynoos, J., Sanford, J., and Rosenfelt, T. A Team Approach for Home Modifications. <i>OT Practice</i> , April 8, (2002), 15-19. | EHLS recieved two Small Business Innovation Grants from the National Institute on Aging to develop the Comprehensive Assessment and Solution Process for Aging Residents (CASPAR). CASPAR enables practitioners to identify a client's aging in place needs by collecting information that can be used by building professionals and occupational therapists to specify the right modifications. This assessment considers the home environment, the resident's abilities and preferences, and the interaction between the two, combining the specific concerns of consumers, building professionals, and occupational therapists in performing home modifications assessments. | Assessors: professionals (e.g., aging service providers, building professionals, occupational therapists, physical therapists, care mgrs, social workers). Audience: Aging persons living in a home setting. |
| Client-Clinician Assessment Protocol (C-CAP) | Laura N. Gitlin, Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing, Baltimore, MD | Contact the author: Laura N. Gitlin, Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing, Baltimore, MD | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · | The C-CAP focuses on clients' self-reported perceptions of their abilities in daily life - their independence, difficulty, and safety in conducting activities in their home environment and the community (Gitlin & Corcoran, 2000). This self-report is combined with collaborative observation by an occupational therapist on 22 functional items as well as an assessment of the home environment (Szanton, et al. 2011). | Assessors: Occupational therapists along with the individual. Audience: People who are aging with disabilities. |
| Falls Behavioral Scale (FaB) | Sydney, School | http://sydney.edu.au/hea lth- sciences/staff/docs/lindy clemson/FaB_manual_20 03.pdf | falling. American Journal of Occupational Therapy, 57(4), 380- 388. 2. Clemson, L., Bundy, A.C., Cumming, R.G., Kay, L., & Luckett, T. (2008). | The FaB evaluates behavioral factors that could potentially protect against falling. It includes 30 items within 10 behavioral dimensions related to falls: cognitive adaptations, protective mobility, avoidance, awareness, pace, practical strategies, displacing activities, being observant, changes in level, and getting to the phone. According to the instruction manual, it takes 5-10 minutes to complete, and has also been found useful as: a) An assessment in clinical practice. It can give a profile of the range of strategies people are using; b) A goal setting tool; c) A prompt to discuss behavioral factors and falls and as an aide in reflective learning; and d) A way of raising awareness of the broader focus of the therapist visit. | Assessors: Occupational therapists and other professionals. It can be self-administered by the older person, administered by interview, or sent by mail to the person prior to a home visit. Audience: older adults living at home. |





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| The Home Environment Assessment Protocol- Revised (HEAP-R) | Laura N. Gitlin, Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing, Baltimore, MD | Laura N. Gitlin, Johns Hopkins University | 1. Gitlin LN, Schinfeld S, Winter L, Corcoran M, Boyce AA, & Hauck W. Evaluating home environments of persons with dementia: interrater reliability and validity of the Home Environmental Assessment Protocol (HEAP). Disability and Rehabilitation 2002; 24(1-3): 59-71. | This home-based environmental assessment uses self-reporting and observation to help family caregivers of persons with dementia learn through education, skill-building, and environmental strategies. Domains assessed include hazards, adaptations, visual cues, clutter, and comfort in eight areas of the home. | Assessors: Clinicians. Audience: Persons with |
| Home Falls and Accidents Screening Tool (Home FAST) and Non-OT Home Falls and Accidents Screening Tool (Home FAST) | Lynette Mackenzie, University of Sydney, Discipline of Occupational Therapy; Julie Byles, University of Newcastle, Discipline of Public Health, and Nick Higginbotham, University of New Castle, School of Medicine and Public Health, Australia | https://ses.library.usyd.ed u.au/handle/2123/14750 Non-OT Home FAST (see copyright information): | Screening Tool (HOME FAST) for measuring falls risk | Home FAST is a home assessment tool designed to identify older people at risk of falling because of hazards within their home environment. The tool consists of 25 items that include a range of indoor and outdoor environmental and functional concerns. A dichotomous assessment, the user marks whether or not a hazard is present. A higher score indicates a higher risk of falling. | Assessors: Occupational therapists and other health professionals. Audience: The Home FAST was developed as a screening instrument for use in a community preventive care trial for older people. The Non-OT Home FAST is is an adapted version designed to be used by people without an occupational therapy background. |
| Home Safety Self Assessement Tool (HSSAT) | University at Buffalo, Department of Rehabilitation Science, Occupational Therapy Geriatric Group, Buffalo, NY | http://sphhp.buffalo.edu/rehabilitation-science/research-and-facilities/funded-research/aging/home- | 1. Development, psychometrics and use of Home Safety Self-Assessment Tool (HSSAT). Tomita M, Saharan S, Rajendran S, Schweitzer J. Nochajski S. (2014). <i>American Journal of Occupational Therapy</i> , 68 (6): 711-718. 2. Horowitz, B. P., Nochajski, S. M., & Schweitzer, J. A. (2013). Occupational therapy community practice and home assessments: Use of the Home Safety Self-Assessment Tool (HSSAT) to support aging in place. <i>Occupational Therapy in Health Care</i> , 27(3), 216–227. | With the aim of reducing falls among older adults, this self-assessment consists of a home safety assesment checklist and solutions, illustrations of common fall hazards and solutions in ten indoor and outdoor areas of the home, assistive devices and other recommended products to prevent falls, and "how to" home improvement instructions. In addition to assessing for risk factors, the HSSAT aims to raise awareness. For example, some users may not be aware that clutter is a fall risk until they see it on the list. By reviewing each risk item, users may be able to match the risks listed with identified risks in their own home environment. The HSSAT has been translated into several languages. | For community- dwelling older adults and their informal caregivers to help assess fall risks in their homes and guide them in improving their home environment. |





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| The Housing Enabler (HE) | Susanne Iwarsson and Ake Isacsson, Lund University, Sweden; concept developed by Edward Steinfeld, University at Buffalo, NY | http://www.enabler.nu/ | 1. Lien LL, Steggell CD, Slaug B, Iwarsson S. Assessment and analysis of housing accessibility: adapting the environmental component of the housing enabler to United States applications. <i>Journal of Housing and the Built Environment</i> 2016; 31(3): 565–580.doi:10.1007/s10901-015-9475-0 2. Iwarsson, S. (1999). The housing enabler: An objective tool for assessing accessibility. <i>British Journal of Occupational Therapy</i> , 62(11), 491–497. 3. Iwarsson, S., Haak, M., & Slaug, B. (2012). Current developments of the Housing Enabler methodology. <i>British Journal of Occupational Therapy</i> , 75(11), 517–521. 4. Iwarsson, S., Nygren, C., & Slaug, B. (2005). Cross-national and multi-professional inter-rater reliability of the Housing Enabler. <i>Scandinavian Journal of Occupational Therapy</i> , 12, 29–39. [Iwarsson, S., & Isacsson, Å. (1996). Development of a novel instrument for occupational therapy assessment of the physical environment in the home—A methodologic study on "The Enabler". <i>Occupational Therapy Journal of Research</i> , 16(4), 227–244. | The HE instrument assesses a person's functional limitations and the home environment for physical barriers that may threaten accessibility. It includes a three-step assessment and analysis procedure: 1) a dichotomous assessment of a person's functional capacity (12 items on functional limitations and two items on dependence on mobility devices); 2) a dichotomous assessment of the physical environmental barriers in the home and the close exterior surroundings (161 items); 3) the calculation of an overall magnitude of accessibility problems score. Physical environmental barriers can also be rank-ordered based on their contribution to the total accessibility problems score (Iwarsson et al. 2012). | Assessor: Occupational therapists. |
| In Home Occupational Performance Evaluation (I-HOPE) and I-HOPE Assist | Susy Stark, Emily Sommerville, and John C. Morris, Washington University School of Medicine, St. Louis, MO | i-hope-kit/ | 1. Stark, S. L., Sommerville, E.K., & Morris, J.C. (2010). In-Home Occupational Performance Evaluation (I-HOPE). <i>American Journal of Occupational Therapy</i> , 64(4), 580–589. http://dx.doi.org/10.5014/ajot.2010.08065 2. Keglovits, M., Somerville, E., Stark, S. L. (2015). In-Home Occupational Performance Evaluation for Providing Assistance (I–HOPE Assist): An Assessment for Informal Caregivers. Am J Occup Ther 2015;69(5):6905290010p1-6905290010p9. doi: 10.5014/ajot.2015.015248. | · | therapists. The I-HOPE Assist was developed for |





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| SAFER: Safety Assessment of Function and the Environment for Rehabilitation - Health Outcome Measurement and Evaluation (SAFER HOME) | Teresa Chiu, Rosemary Oliver, COTA Health, Toronto, ON, Canada | Contact the authors: Teresa Chiu, Rosemary Oliver, COTA Health, Toronto, ON, Canada | | SAFER HOME v3 assesses a person's ability to safely carry out functional activities in the home. It can also be used to evaluate the effectiveness of an intervention and changes following an intervention. Using interview and observation of client participating in activities, SAFER HOME assesses 74 items around the home divided into 12 domains. Level of safety concern is rated on a 4-point (0–3) scale. | Assessors: Occupational therapists. Audience: The tool was originally designed for older adults with physical rehabilitation or mental health needs. It has been expanded for use with younger adults with physical or mental health needs or developmental disabilities. | |
| Westmead Home Safety Assessment (WeHSA) | Lindy Clemson, The University of Sydney, School of Occupational Therapy, Australia | http://www.fallsprevention onlineworkshops.com.au/ | 1. Clemson, L. (1997). Home fall hazards: A guide to identifying fall hazards in the homes of elderly people and an accompaniment to the assessment tool, the Westmead Home Safety Assessment (WeHSA). WestHome Fall Hazards. West Brunswick, Victoria: Co-ordinates Therapy Services. 2. Clemson, L., Fitzgerald, M.H., & Heard, R. (1999). Content validity of an assessment tool to identify home fall hazards: The Westmead Home Safety Assessment. <i>British Journal of Occupational Therapy</i> , 62(4), 171-179. | The WeHSA targets falls risk specifically, providing a systematic and extensive list to identify potential hazards in and around the home. The hazards are organized by section (e.g., Internal/External Trafficways, Seating, Bedroom, Footwear, Medication Management) with 72 items within these sections (e.g., floor mats, doors, steps/stairs) that are expanded upon with further detailed descriptors (Clemson, Fitzgerald, Heard, 1999). It is available in a short and long form. An online training module is also available that provides background and guidance on how to use the WeHSA and conduct an effective fall prevention home assessment. | Assessors: Occupational therapists and other professionals. Audience: older adults | |
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| Check for Safety: A Home Fall Prevention Checklist for Older Adults | Centers for Disease Control and Prevention | Available in English and Spanish. Order free copies at: https://www.cdc.gov/steadi/patient.html | N/A | This home safety checklist aims to help identify and eliminate fall hazards in the home. Organized by area of the home, it identifies common fall risks and recommendations to address them. The brochure also contains a section on Other Things You Can Do to Prevent Falls, including information on physical activity, vision, medications, and more. | N/A | |





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| A Consumer's Guide to Home Adaptation | Adaptive Environments Center | http://www.homemods.or g/resources/pages/congu ide.shtml To purchase a hard copy, contact: 374 Congress Street, Suite 301, Boston, MA 02210 (617) 695-1225 ext. 0 | N/A | This workbook is designed to make the home safer and more comfortable, and can be a reference throughout the home adaptation process. The self-administered survey asks the respondent to answer six categories of questions by indicating either "OK" or "needs work". It includes instructions that guide the individual to assess the various areas of the home. It also offers a planning worksheet for the construction phase, which provides details on how to choose a contractor and how to modify common problem areas of the home. Resources on financing home modifications, products, and home modification equipment are also included. | N/A |
| HomeFit Guide | AARP | http://www.aarp.org/livable-communities/info-2014/aarp-home-fit-guideaging-in-place.html | N/A | The AARP HomeFit Guide was created to help people stay in the home they love by turning where they live into a "lifelong home," suitable for themselves and anyone in their household. The guide offers solutions that range from simple do-it-yourself fixes to improvements that require skilled expertise. | N/A |
| Rebuilding Together Safe at Home Checklist | Rebuilding Together, Administration on Aging (AoA), and American Occupational Therapy Association (AOTA) | Available free at: http://www.aota.org/~/me dia/Corporate/Files/Practi ce/Aging/rebuilding- together/RT-Aging-in- Place-Safe-at-Home- Checklist.pdf | N/A | This list was developed to identify fall hazards, home safety, and accessibility issues for the homeowner and family members. Home safety, fall prevention, and accessibility modification interventions are included on the reverse side of the list. | N/A |
| Remodeling Today Guide: Design Ideas for the Kitchen and Bathroom | The Hartford Center for Mature Market Excellence | https://www.thehartford.c om/sites/the_hartford/file s/remodeling-guide.pdf | N/A | This guide provides smart ideas and solutions to help residents incorporate Universal Design into the kitchen and bathroom when remodeling so they may live comfortably and independently in their home. It is organized into two sections - Kitchen and Bathroom - with a checklist of universal design features to consider for inclusion when remodeling. It also includes resources on working with contractors and professionals. | N/A |