INJURIES IN GREY BRUCE: FALLS



Falls are the leading cause of unintentional injuries in Grey Bruce. On average, falls cause 8,630 emergency department visits, 743 hospitalizations, and 29 deaths every year locally.

GREY BRUCE RATES HIGHER THAN ONTARIO RATES

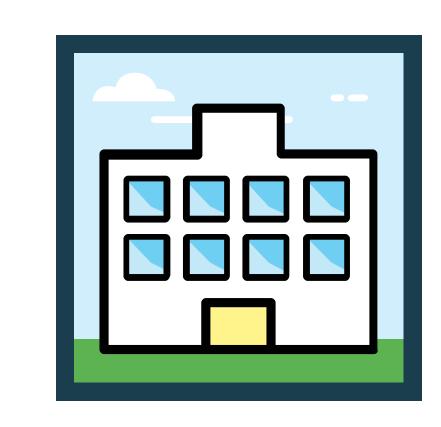
In 2017, the rate of emergency department (ED) visits for unintentional falls in Grey Bruce was the highest in the province. The local rate of ED visits for falls is 42% higher than the Ontario rate, and the hospitalization rate is 48% higher.

ED VISITS



Rate 70% higher in Grey Bruce

HOSPITALIZATIONS



Rate 21% higher in Grey Bruce



OLDER ADULTS AT GREATEST RISK

Older residents of Grey Bruce, especially those aged 85 and over, are at highest risk of being injured from a fall.

ED VISITS HAVE INCREASED, WHILE HOSPITALIZATIONS HAVE DECREASED

The local rate of ED visits for falls has increased by 16% since 2003-04, while the rate of hospitalizations decreased by 28% over that time period.

