

State Falls Prevention Coalitions Contact Sheet

This alphabetically organized State Falls Prevention Coalitions Contact Sheet includes the most up to date contact information for each state's falls prevention coalition. If information on this document requires updating, please contact <u>fallsfree@ncoa.org</u>.

State	Coalition Name	Coalition Contact Information
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SC	South Carolina Falls Prevention Initiative	This coalition is currently inactive. Please email the National Council on Aging at fallsfree@ncoa.org if you would like to be involved.
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