PERS Assessment/Evaluation Form

Reduce the Risk of Hospitalization

Studies show that if you can get help within I hour following an emergency there is a **90**% chance that you will maintain your independence Some call this the "**Golden Hour.**"

Client/Patient Info:	
First Name:	Last Name:
Address:	
Phone:	
PHONE SERVICE PROVIDED BY:	
Contact: (If different from customer.)	
Phone:	

A Personal Emergency Response System or PERS is a live two-way voice hands-free communication system that functions similarly to a speakerphone and consists of a base unit and a remote, waterproof personal emergency help button that is worn by an individual as a pendant/necklace or bracelet to get emergency assistance at the push of a button.

Included with every PERS:

- ✓ Access to the 24/7 Galaxy Medical Alert Response Center (5 Diamond Certified) in the event of an emergency
- ✓ Care calls for added peace of mind
- ✓ If necessary, courtesy calls to inform loved ones or a physician of your emergency
- ✓ NO long term contract
- ✓ NO cancellation penalty

ASSESSMENT: (complete evaluation on the reverse side before completing this section of worksheet)	
A Personal Emergency Response System is / is not (circle one) recommended.	
Reviewed by	Date
Company/Agency:	
Phone:	



Place scores in left hand boxes and total all boxes in final frame indicated "Total" (All checked boxes are one (1) point unless otherwise indicated)

	☐ Do you live alone?
	If you answered 'no' to question #1: At any time during the day/week is your caregiver away and you are left alone?
	Have you fallen inside or outside of your residence at least once during the past three years?
	Are there times when you feel weak or dizzy?
	Are you worried that you may fall and not be able to get up and call for help?
	Do you worry about taking a shower or bath alone? (I.e. falling, getting ill)
	Do you have one or more of these ailments? (Check all that apply. Score one point for each check.) Arthritis Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) Congestive Heart Failure (CHF) Diabetes Hypertension or High Blood Pressure Low Vision or Visual Impairments Osteoporosis Stroke
	Are you concerned that you may have a negative reaction to medication and not be able to get help? (example: insulin)
	☐ Were you hospitalized or taken to the emergency room during the past two years?
	Do you use a cane, walker, wheelchair, stair climber, or other device to help you balance or walk?
	Are you afraid that someone may harm you physically or break into your home?
	Do you feel unsafe in your neighborhood?
	How much difficulty do you currently have bending over from a standing position to pick something up without assistance of some kind? Circle one: (I can't! + 3 Points) (A lot! +2 Points) (Sometimes +1 Point) (None +0 Points)
	How much difficulty do you have carrying something in your arms while climbing stairs? (I.e. Laundry basket) Circle one: (I can't! + 3 Points) (A lot! +2 Points) (Sometimes +1 Point) (None +0 Points)
	How much difficulty do you have walking up or down an incline? (I.e. Driveway) Circle one: (I can't! + 3 Points) (A lot! +2 Points) (Sometimes +1 Point) (None +0 Points)
	How difficult is it to walk several blocks without assistance of some kind?
	Circle one: (I can't! + 3 Points) (A lot! +2 Points) (Sometimes +1 Point) (None +0 Points)
	How difficult is it for you to stand up from a soft surface? (I.e. Couch)
	Circle one: (I can't! + 3 Points) (A lot! +2 Points) (Sometimes +1 Point) (None +0 Points)
Total:	Recommendation: (0-3 May not need PERS) (4-7 May need PERS) (8-10 Likely needs PERS)
	(11-15 Probably needs PERS) (16 and above Definitely should have PERS)

Please fill in the TOTAL score and refer to the PERS Recommendation section above. Complete the evaluation by filling in the Assessment section on the other side of this worksheet.