WHAT CAN BE DONE ABOUT FRAILTY IF IT IS IDENTIFIED EARLY

The Alexandra Hospital **EMBRACE** care team can:



Conduct a comprehensive geriatric assessment to target underlying risk factors.



Address falls, fracture risk, fear of falls, caregiver burden and improve or maintain function through tailored therapy session.



Identify wishes and preferences for future care.



Review medications with a focus on avoiding unnecessary medications.



Assess diet with a focus on optimising protein content to enable strength training.



Link up with community partners for activities related to healthy ageing.

We will work with our care team and community partners to coordinate your care. Arrange an appointment with us today to discuss possible interventions with our specialist.







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Operating Hours: Mondays – Fridays (excluding Public Holidays), 8.30am-5.30pm.



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Lions Befrienders Active Ageing Centre (AAC) @Clementi

Blk 420A, Clementi Ave 1, #02-03, \$121420.

Are you 65 years old and above?

Get a one-stop assessment by our

Alexandra Hospital's *EMBRACE* team to

help you age confidently, healthily and positively.



WHAT IS FRALITY

Frailty is a condition related to the ageing process that describes reduced ability to cope with changes in physical or mental health and wellbeing.

A person can progress through the stages of frailty until the symptoms become apparent. Frail individuals may or may not recover as they encounter stressors in their daily life. It is important to recognise the symptoms of frailty early for appropriate intervention to enable the seniors lead a healthy life.

WE OFFER



Memory screening



Falls/Fragility fracture risk/ Functional assessment Fear of falls assessment



Nutrition screening



Caregiver support



Psychosocial assessment



Medications review



Discussions about wishes and preferences for your future care

HOW DO I KNOW IF I AM FRAIL?

ASK YOURSELF



FATIGUE

Have you felt tired most or all of the time in the past four weeks?



RESISTANCE

Do you have difficulty climbing a flight of stairs?



AMBULATION

Do you have difficulty walking one block?



IILLNESS

Do you have five or more medical conditions?



WEIGHT LOSS

Have you had unintentional weight loss in the past six months?

PRE-FRAIL 1-2

If your answer is "yes" to one or two of the questions, you are at a pre-frail stage.

FRAIL 3-5

If your answer is "yes" to three or more questions you are considered frail.

The FRAIL Scale | Reference: Morley, J. E., Malmstrom, T. K., & Miller, D. K. (2012). A simple frailty questionnaire (FRAIL) predicts outcomes in middle aged African Americans. The Journal of Nutrition, Health & Aging, 16(7), 601–608. doi: 10.1007/s12603-012-0084-2