



SOUTH AUSTRALIA

FALLS PREVENTION



People come to health services for care of injuries from FALLS

LAST YEAR IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA

21,120
people

were admitted to public hospitals injured AFTER A FALL.



OVER **65%** of these were people OVER 65.



395

older people DIED IN HOSPITAL as a result of injuries from a fall.

That figure is over **10x**

HIGHER than the 1,927 admitted to hospital for MOTOR VEHICLE INJURIES.

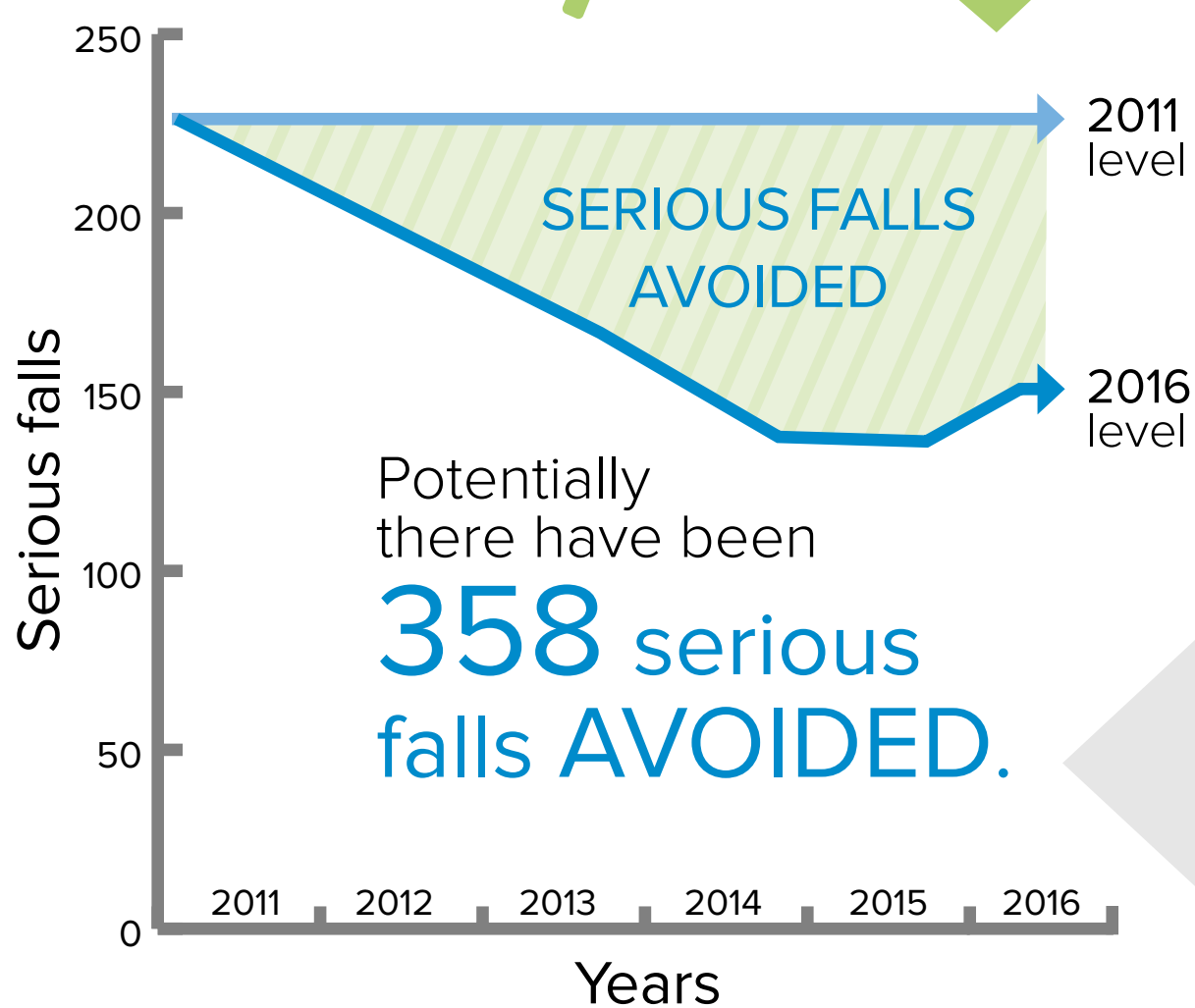
6.9 DAYS is AVERAGE LENGTH OF STAY in hospital for injured older people

During health care, FALLS are the MOST NUMEROUS REPORTED incident

10,691
REPORTED FALLS INCIDENTS in 2016.



In SA there has been a **STEADY DECLINE** in serious falls (SAC1 and 2).



EFFECTIVE STRATEGIES

- Quick **POST FALL TEAM REVIEWS** to reduce repeat falls.
- **HOURLY ROUNDING** especially for patients who have dementia or delirium.
- **100%** of services that have been accredited **PASSED Standard 10**. Committees and staff should be proud of this achievement.
- **14,325+** STAFF have completed the online **eLearning course** on Falls Prevention since its launch in April 2014.

