DATE	PROBLEM	GOAL	TO DATE	INTERVENTIONS	RESP DISC
	Ambulation with cane / quad cane to:  Assist balance Widen base of support Decrease weight bearing  Resident is on restorative nursing program to improve ambulation  Related to: Balance problem Unsteady gait Weakness Limited endurance Lack of safety awareness Knowledge deficit Dizziness Pain Fracture Cognitive impairment Sensory impairment Uncontrolled movements Loss of voluntary movement  Full weight bearing Partial weight bearing	Resident will ambulate with Cues / reminders Supervision Stand-by assist Assist of one Assist of two  Resident will ambulate Daily Twice per day Three times per day  Resident will ambulate 2 / 5 / 10 / 15 / 20 feet To dining room To bathroom  Resident will demonstrate correct and safe use of assistive device  Resident will be free of falls or injury		PT, OT evaluation as indicated Provide appropriate level of assistance to promote safety of resident Encourage resident to participate in ambulation, and praise accomplishments See Falls care plan Assist resident to sit on the edge of the bed for two minutes to assess for dizziness Assist resident in putting on socks and well-fitting nonskid shoes Walk on resident's weaker side, and encourage resident to hold cane with strong hand Walk in the same pattern as resident (both step with left foot at the same time) Walk resident only distance instructed by care plan Ask how resident is doing, and observe closely for dizziness, unsteady gait, impaired balance, or fatigue Instruct and assist resident to: Hold cane in hand opposite weaker leg	
				Slightly bend elbow when holding cane	

	Keep cane close to body for support and balance
	Place cane about 4 inches to side of stronger leg
	Put weight on stronger side
	Move cane about 4 inches in front of stronger leg, bringing weaker leg forward at the same time
	Use cane to help keep weight off weaker leg, and move stronger leg ahead until heel is slightly beyond tip of cane
	Look straight ahead when walking
	When turning, take small steps – do not pivot
	Caution resident to:
	Not take a step unless cane is firmly on ground
	Not place cane too far forward
	Not take steps that are too big
	Not to carry heavy things when using cane
	Not use cane on stairs