Are you at risk for weak bones?

Check any of these that apply to you.

- I'm older than 65.
- I've broken a bone after age 50.
- My close relative has osteoporosis or has broken a bone.
- My health is "fair" or "poor."
- I smoke.
- I am underweight for my height.
- I started menopause before age 45.
- I've never gotten enough calcium.
- I have more than two drinks of alcohol several times a week.
- I have poor vision, even with glasses.
- I sometimes fall.
- I'm not active.
- I have one of these medical conditions: Hyperthyroidism

Chronic lung disease

Cancer

Inflammatory bowel disease

Chronic hepatic or renal disease

Hyperparathyroidism

Vitamin D deficiency

Cushing's disease

Multiple sclerosis

Rheumatoid arthritis

I take one of these medicines:
Oral glucocorticoids (steroids)
Cancer treatments (radiation,
chemotherapy)

Thyroid medicine

Antiepileptic medications

Gonadal hormone suppression

Immunosuppressive agents

If you have any of these "red flags," you could be at high risk for weak bones.

