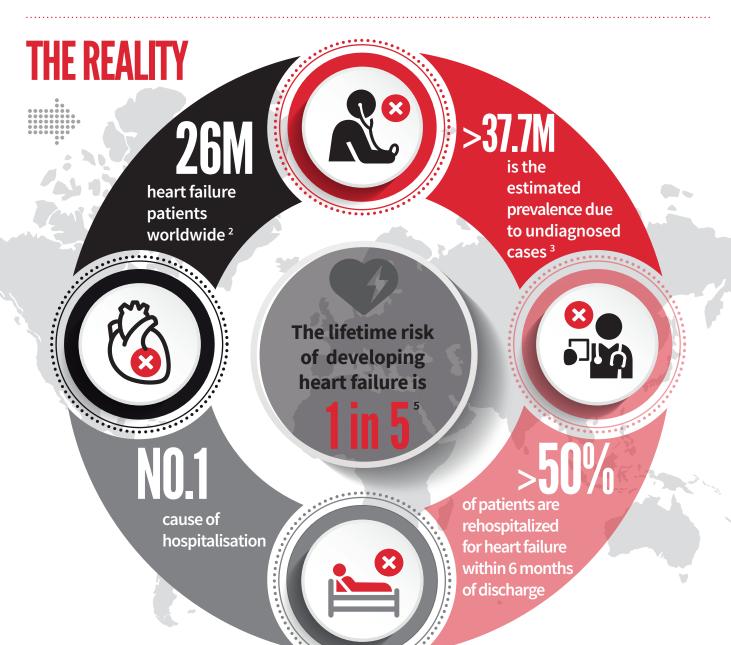


PEOPLE WITH HEART FAILURE ARE MORE VULNERABLE TO COVID-19

WHAT IS HEART FAILURE?

Heart failure is a severe failure of the heart to pump enough blood around the body Symptoms include breathlessness, fatigue and swollen limbs



WHAT YOU CAN DO TO PREVENT HEART FAILURE



Exercise regularly

Maintain a heart healthy diet

Don't smoke

Keep an eye on your body weight

√

Reduce your blood pressure

Control your diabetes

Manage your cholesterol

Take heart protective medications as prescribed





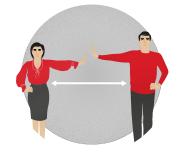


HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF AGAINST COVID-19



WASH YOUR HANDS FREQUENTLY

Use soap and water for at least 20 seconds



MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING

Avoid greetings and keep over 2 meters apart



AVOID TOUCHING YOUR FACE

Especially your eyes, nose and mouth



COVER UP TO PROTECT OTHERS

Always cough or sneeze into a tissue or your elbow



SEEK MEDICAL ADVICE EARLY

Call your doctor if you have a fever, cough or difficulty breathing



STAY AT HOME, STAY INFORMED

Follow advice from authorities and health professionals

ources

 $(1) \ Bytyci, I.\ and\ Bajraktari, G., 2015.\ Mortality\ in\ heart\ failure\ patients.\ Anatolian\ journal\ of\ cardiology, 15(1), p.63.$

(2) Ponikowski, P., Anker, S.D., Alhabib, K.F., Cowie, M.R., Force, T.L., Hu, S., Jaarsma, T., Krum, H., Rastogi, V., Rohde, L.E. and Samal, U.C., 2014. Heart failure: preventing disease and death worldwide. ESC Heart Failure, 1 (1), pp.4-25.

(3) Ziaeian, B. and Fonarow, G.C., 2016. Epidemiology and aetiology of heart failure. Nature Reviews Cardiology, 13(6), p.368.

(4) Chun S, Tu JV, Wijeysundera HC, Austin PC, Wang X, Levy D, Lee DS. Lifetime analysis of hospitalizations and survival of patients newly-admitted with heart failure. Circ Heart Fail. May 2, 2012. doi 10.1161/CIRCHEARTFAILURE.111.964791. http://circheartfailure.ahajournals.org. Accessed April 19, 2012

(5) Bui, A.L., Horwich, T.B. and Fonarow, G.C., 2011. Epidemiology and risk profile of heart failure. Nature Reviews Cardiology, 8(1), p.30.

