SLEEP APNEA & HEART TROUBLES



What is **SLEEP APNEA?**

It is a common disorder in which your BREATHING STOPS BRIEFLY DURING SLEEP.



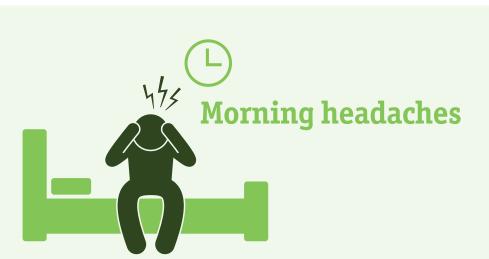
Sleep apnea is linked to:

- High blood pressure
- Atrial fibrillation
- Sudden cardiac death
- Heart failure

More than

18 MILLION

Americans have it.





KNOW THE SIGNS

MOST COMMON SIGNS:

- Loud snoring
- Gasps for breath during sleep
- Waking up frequently







How to TREAT it







Avoid alcohol or medications that can disrupt normal sleep





Use a breathing device to keep your airway open

For more information, visit CardioSmart.org/SleepApnea

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