SLEEP APNEA & HEART TROUBLES



What is **SLEEP APNEA?**

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

Pauses last 10-20 seconds and occur as many as 30+ times/hour.

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
- Waking up frequently















Avoid alcohol or

medications that

can disrupt normal sleep

Adopt healthy sleep habits



Surgery

Use a breathing device to keep your airway open

Information provided for educational purposes only. Please consult your health care provider regarding your specific health needs.

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