### **HEART FAILURE IN 2017**

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### **Objectives**

- The attendees will be able to:
  - 1) Analyze how cardiometabolic disease contributes to the development of heart failure.
  - 2) Review the initiation and integration of guideline directed medical therapy in the management of chronic heart failure.
  - 3) Demonstrate utilization of the New Pharmacological therapies in the 2016 ACC/AHA/HFSA Focused Update in Heart Failure.
  - 4) Differentiate between heart failure with reduced ejection fraction versus heart failure with preserved ejection fraction.
  - 5) Evaluate successful strategies and care models being utilized to reduce heart failure readmissions.
  - 6) Identify the current and potential role of telemedicine interventions in the management of heart failure.

#### **Heart Failure in America**

- 5.7 million people affected
- 870,000 new cases annually
- · 284,000 individuals die annually

 Anticipate prevalence increase to over 8 million by 2030

#### Heart Failure Burden in America

- 16 million estimated physician visits annually
- 50% at 5 years Mortality after diagnosis

- More hospitalizations than all cancer combined
- Most common discharge diagnosis for Medicare patients

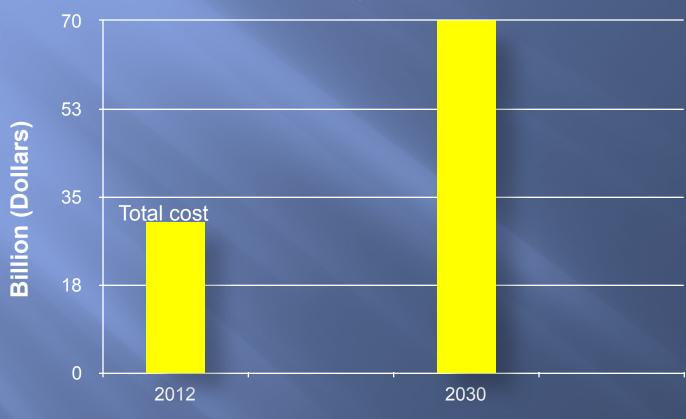
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#### Leading Potentially Avoidable Conditions

Condition	Potentially Avoidable Hospitalizations	Percentage Distribution
All	699,818	100%
Heart Failure	160,397	22.9%
COPD, Asthma	118,936	17%
Dehydration	103,024	14.7%
Pneumonia	101,357	14.5%
Urinary tract infection	87,296	12.5%
Sum of subgroup	571,010	81.6%

#### **Cost of Heart Failure**





Projected to cost every US adult \$244

Mozaffarian D, et al. Circulation. 2015;131:e29-e322.

#### What is Heart Failure?

- Complex syndrome
- Caused by a structural or functional cardiac disorder that affects:
  - Ventricular filling (diastolic heart failure or preserved ejection fraction)
  - Ejection of blood (systolic heart failure or reduced ejection fraction)
- "Heart failure" (HF) term preferred to "congestive heart failure" because may present with or without symptoms.

### Classification of Heart Failure

Classification	Ejection Fraction	Explanation
HFrEF (Reduced EF)	<u>&lt;</u> 40%	-Systolic heart failure -Clinical trials have demonstrated efficacy morbidity and mortality
HFpEF (Preserved EF)	≥ 50%	-Diastolic heart failure -Different criteria used for defining -Diagnosis challenging as often diagnosis of excluding non-cardiac conditions causing HF symptoms -Accounts for 50% of all HF cases -Efficacy for therapies not yet identified in reducing morbidity and mortality

<sup>\*</sup>There are other types of HF, but this presentation will be limited to HF*r*EF and HF*p*EF Yancy CW, et al. *J Am Coll Cardiolol.* 2013;62:e147-e239.

#### Classification of Heart Failure

Classification	Ejection Fraction	Explanation
HFpEF (Preserved EF), borderline/middle or HFbEF/HFmEF	41-49%	Treatment plans and outcomes similar to HFpEF
HFpEF (Preserved EF), improved or HFiEF	>40%	Patients with HFpEF who previously had HFrEF. Their EF has recovered.

#### Heart Failure Risk Factors

- Hypertension (single most modifiable)
- Coronary artery disease (myocardial infarction)
- Valvular heart disease
- Congenital defects
- Cardiomyopathy
- Family history of cardiomyopathy
- □ Diabetes (2-fold increase in women/5-fold increase in men)
- Arrhythmias (ie, atrial fibrillation)

What causes heart failure? National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute. NIH website. www.nhlbi.nih.gov/health/health-topics/topics/hf/causes. Updated June 22, 2015. Accessed December 1, 2016; Lloyd-Jones DM, et al. *Circulation*. 2002;106(24):3068-72.

### Demographic Risk Factors

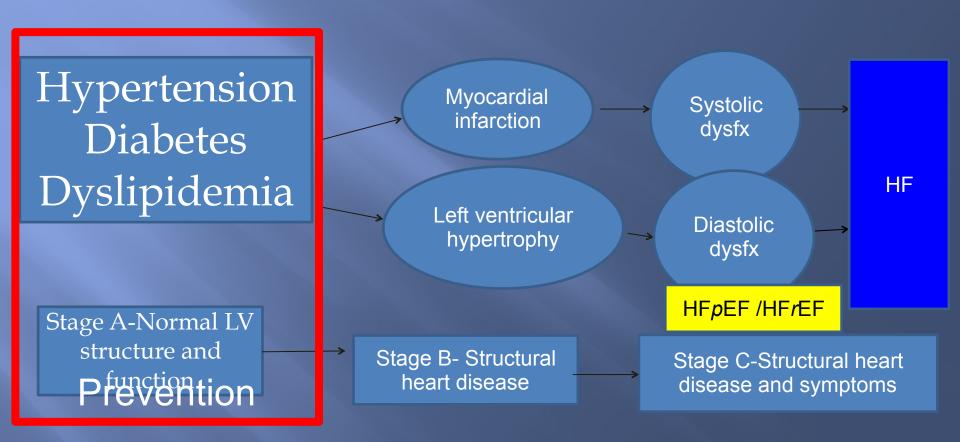
- Sex (male)
- Older age
- Ethnicity (African-american and hypertension)
- Low socioeconomic income

# Metabolic Syndrome And Risk of Heart Failure

#### Includes any 3 of the following:

- Abdominal adiposity
- Hypertriglyceridemia
- Low high-density lipoprotein
- Hypertension
- Fasting hyperglycemia

#### Significantly Reduce the Risk of HF



Adapted from Yancy CW, et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2013:62:e147-e239.

#### **Preventing Metabolic Syndrome**

Early Recognition and Identification	Risk Assessment and Proper Screening (based on Diagnosis and Management of the Metabolic Syndrome An American Heart Association/National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute Scientific Statement)
Management strategies	
Treat dyslipidemia to goal	Report of the National Cholesterol Education Program Expert Panel (NCEP) on Detection, Evaluation, and Treatment of High Blood Cholesterol in Adults
Maintain normal glucose	American Diabetes Association (ADA)
Maintain blood pressure at goal	JNC Guidelines for the Management of Hypertension in Adults

Berra K. J Am Acad Nurse Pract. 2003:15(8); 361-370.

#### Preventing Metabolic Syndrome

#### Healthy lifestyle changes/self-care

- Smoking cessation
- Weight management (ideal BMI)
- Physical activity (Moderate intense exercise 30 min daily)
- Dietary modifications
- Reduce sodium, sugars, saturated fats
- Increase fruits and vegetables
- Alcohol moderation (≤2 drinks men/≤ 1 drink women)
- Avoid toxic substances

#### Heart Failure Evaluation

- Complete history
  - Family history in patients with idiopathic dilated cardiomyopathy (3 generations)
- Complete physical examination
  - Weight and volume status
  - Symptoms of heart failure

### **Heart Failure Signs**

- Volume status
  - Hepatic jugular reflux
  - S3 gallop
  - Peripheral edema
  - Abdominal edema
  - Rales

### Heart Failure Symptoms

- Dyspnea on exertion/ nocturnal
- Decreased exercise tolerance
- Feelings of fatigue
- Orthopnea (number of pillows)

- Cough at night
- Wheezing
- Anorexia/early satiety
- Confusion/delirium in elderly

#### **Evaluation of Symptomatic HF**

Class Ic Recommendation 2013 ACCF/AHA Guidelines)

- Echocardiogram (2-dimensional)
- Chest X-ray
- Electrocardiogram
- Consider noninvasive imaging for myocardial ischemia (II a level C recommendation)\*

#### Evaluation of Symptomatic HF

Class Ic\* Recommendation 2013 ACCF/AHA Guidelines)

- Complete blood count
- Urinalysis
- Complete metabolic panel (electrolytes, liver panel)
- Lipids (fasting)
- Thyroid-stimulating hormone (TSH)
- Fasting glucose
- B-type natriuretic peptide (BNP)/N-terminal-BNP (IA recommendation)

\*Strong recommendation, low- or very-low-quality evidence (1C)

#### Biomarker- Natriuretic Peptide

Class la\* Recommendation 2013 ACCF/AHA Guidelines)

- BNP or N-terminal BNP in ambulatory setting
  - Utilized to support clinical decision making regarding diagnosis when uncertain
  - Utilized to establish prognosis or severity of disease severity in chronic HF

\*Strong recommendation, high-quality evidence (1A)

#### HFpEF Recommendations

ontrol systolic and diastolic blood pressure iuretics for HF symptoms due to volume overload

#### Class (Strong)

reat atrial fibrillation
tilize beta-blockers, angiotensin-converting-enzyme-inhibitors (ACE-Is), and angiotensin II
ceptor blockers (ARBs) for hypertension
oronary revascularization in CAD patients or angina with myocardial ischemia

Class IIa (Moderate)

o decrease hospitalizations, consider ARBs

#### Medical Therapy for Stage B HFrEF

Remote history of MI or ACS + HFrEF



-ACE-I
-ARB if ACE- intolerant
\*Evidenced-based
beta-blocker
-Statins

HF*r*EF without history of MI

-ACE-I
-ARB if ACEintolerant
\*Evidenced-based
beta-blocker

-Nondihydropyridine calcium channel blockers may be harmful due to negative inotrope effects -Calcium channel blockers not recommended in routine treatment

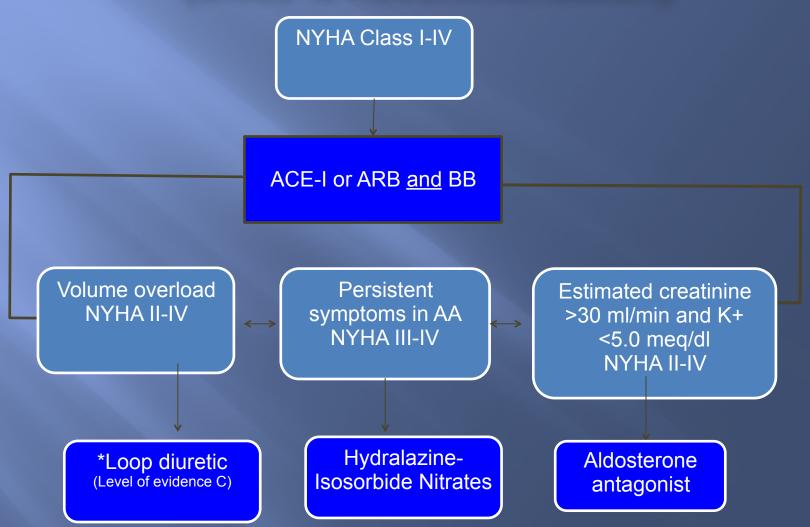
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#### Guideline Directed Medical Therapy (GDMT) for Stage C HF*r*EF

Guideline directed therapy	Mechanism of action	RRR in mortality	RRR in HF hospitalizations
ACE-I or ARB	Block excess of RAAS	17%	31%
Beta-blocker	Block excess norepinephrine	34%	41%
Aldosterone antagonist	Block excess aldosterone	30%	35%
Hydralazine and isosorbide dinitrate	Increases release of nitric oxide to aide in vasodilation	43%	33%

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# Guideline Directed Therapy in Stage C HF*r*EF (Class la Recommendation)



# Guideline Directed Therapy HF*r*EF (Stage C HF): Most Commonly Used Medications

#### Beta-blockers and Vasodilators

Drug	Initial daily dose	Max dose	Side effects
Beta-blockers			Fatigue, weakness, lightheadedness, bradycardia
Bisoprolol	2.5 mg daily	10 mg daily	araay sarara
Carvedilol	3.125 mg BID	50 mg BID	
Carvedilol CR	10 mg daily	80 mg daily	
Metoprolol Succinate (Metoprolol CR/XL)	12.5 mg to 25 mg daily	200 mg daily	

			Headache and lightheadedness
Fixed-dose combination	37.5 mg HYD/20 mg ISDN TID		
Hydralazine (HYD) Isosorbide dinitrate (ISDN)	ISDN TID  HYD 25-50 mg TID or QID ISDN 20-30 mg TID or QID QID GID GID GID GID GISDN 20-30 mg TID or QID GISDN 7ID		

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#### **ACE-Inhibitors**

Drug	Initial dose	Max dose	Side effects
ACE-Inhibitors			Cough, dizziness, rise
Captopril	6.25 mg TID	50 mg TID	in creatinine, angioedema (<1%) but higher in blacks,
Enalapril	2.5 mg BID	10 - 20 mg BID	hyperkalemia
Fosinopril	5 -10 mg daily	40 mg daily	
Lisinopril	2.5 - 5 mg daily	20 - 40 mg daily	
Quinapril	5 mg BID	20 mg BID	
Trandolapril	0.5 mg daily	4 mg daily	
Ramipril	1.25 -2.5 mg daily	10 mg daily	
Perindopril	2mg daily	8-16 mg daily	

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# Angiotensin Receptor Blockers and Aldosterone Antagonists

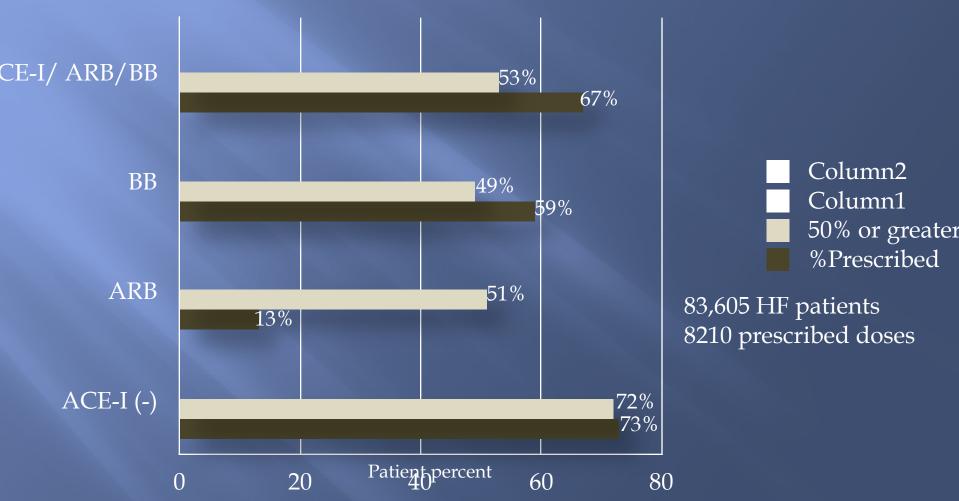


Drug	Initial daily dose	Max dose	Side effects		
Angiotensin Receptor Blockers	Angiotensin Receptor Blockers				
Candesartan	4-8 mg daily	32 mg daily	elevated creatinine, hyperkalemia		
Losartan	25-50 mg daily	50-150 mg daily	, p. 0.110.101111.		
Valsartan	20-40 mg BID	160 mg BID			
			Hyperkalemia, gynecomastia		
Spironolactone	12.5-25 mg daily	25 mg daily or BID			
Eplerenone	25 mg daily	50 mg daily	Gynecomastia rare		

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# Treatment Gap in Chronic Systolic Heart Failure

Systematic review of registry- or survey-based studies



Chin K, et al. *Heart Fail Rev. 2016;21(6):675-697.* 

#### **Loop Diuretics**

Drug	Initial Dose	Max Dose	Side effects
Loop Diuretics			
Furosemide	20-40 mg daily or BID	600 mg	Hypovolemia, hypokalemia
Bumetanide	0.5-1.0 mg daily or BID	10 mg	
Torsemide	10-20 mg daily	200 mg	
Ethacrynic acid	25-50 mg daily or BID	200 mg	

## Potassium Sparing Diuretics

Drug	Initial Dose	Max Dose	Side effects
Potassium Sparing D	iuretics		
Amiloride	5 mg daily	20 mg	Hypovolemia, Hypokalemia
Chlorothiazide	250 to 500 mg once or BID	1,000 mg	
Chlorthalidone	12.5 to 25.0 mg daily	100 mg	
Hydrochlorothiazide	25 mg once or BID	200 mg	
Indapamide	2.5 mg daily	5 mg	
Metolazone	2.5-10 mg prn	20 mg	

Adapted from Yancy CW, et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2013:62:e147-e239.

# Digoxin in HF*r*EF to Reduce Hospitalizations (Class Ila Level B Evidence)

Drug	Initial Dose	Dosing considerations	Side effects
	0.125-0.25 mg daily 0.125 mg every other day if >70 years old, low lean body mass, reduced renal function	No loading dose  Avoid in significant bradycardia or AV block unless have pacemaker	Cardiac arrhythmias (ectopy, heart block), GI symptoms (anorexia, nausea, vomiting), neurological complaints (visual changes, confusion)
HF <i>r</i> EF unless contraindicated			

- -Consider adding in patients on GDMT with persistent symptoms
- -Digoxin may be added to the initial regimen in patients with severe symptoms who have not responded symptomatically during GDMT

Adapted from Yancy CW, et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol*. 2013:62:e147-e239; The Digitalis Investigational Group. *NEJM*. 1997;336:525-533.

### **Updated Guidelines**

2016 ACC/AHA/HFSA Focused Update on New Pharmacological Therapy for Heart Failure: An Update of the 2013 ACCF/AHA Guideline for the Management of Heart Failure

# vabradine (SH/fT) Trial Stage C HFrEF (Level of evidence Ila B-R)\*

- Beneficial to reduce hospitalizations (RRR 26%; p<0.0001)
- Studied in 6558 subjects
  - Symptomatic stable HF (EF  $\leq$  35%), NYHA II-III
  - NSR with resting heart rate ≥ 70 bpm
  - Taking maximal tolerated beta-blocker dose and on GDMT

\*IIa: Moderate evidence; B-R moderate-quality evidence from 1 or more randomized control trials (RCTs); Meta-analyses of moderate-quality RCTs

Swedberg K, et al. Lancet. 2010;376:875-885; Yancy CW, et al. Circulation. 2016;134:e282-93.

#### Ivabradine in HF*r*EF

Drug	Mechanism of action	Dose	Side effects
Ivabradine	Inhibits "funny" channel of SA node causing spontaneous diastolic depolarization by reducing the slope which lowers the heart rate. /f channel is activated by cAMP and carried by the hypolarization-activated cyclic nucleotide-gated family of ion channels.	J	Bradycardia, HTN, AF, Visual disturbance (flashes of light)

Yancy CW, et al. Circulation. 2016;134:e282-93; DiFrancesco D. Curr Med Res Opin. 2005;21:1115-1122.

# Sacubitril/Valsartan (PARADIGM-HF Trial) in Stage C HFrEF *(Level of evidence I B-R)*

- Sacubitril/valsartan was superior to enalapril in reducing the risks of death and of hospitalization for heart failure. (RRR 20%, p= 0.00008)
- Studied in over 8000 subjects
- Patients with chronic symptomatic HFrEF NYHA class II or III who tolerate an ACE-I or ARB should be replaced with an ARNI
  - On guideline directed medical therapy

I: Strong evidence; B-R moderate-quality evidence from 1 or more RCT; Metaanalyses of moderate-quality RCTs

#### Sacubitril/Valsartan in HF*r*EF

Drug	Mechanism of action	Dose	Side effects
Sacubitril/valsartan (ARB and neprilysin inhibitor)	-Inhibition of neprilysin which increases natriuretic and other vasoactive peptides which lowers the BP and promotes sodium excretion -Valsartan, an ARB, promotes vasodilation and reduces BP by blocking the angiotensin (AT1) receptor	24mg/26 mg BID 49mg/51 mg BID 97mg/103 mg BID	Hypotension Hyperkalemia Renal impairment Angioedema (low incident)

McMurray JJV, et al. *NEJM*. 2014;371:994-1004; Yancy CW, et al. *Circulation*. 2016;134;e282-93.

#### Sacubitril/Valsartan

- Things to remember
  - <u>Elevates</u> pro-bnp (Sacubitril/Valsartan decreases BNP clearance)
  - ACE-I <u>stopped</u> 36 hours before starting ARNI
  - Close <u>surveillance</u> of potassium and creatinine
  - ARNI therapy <u>should not</u> be administered in patients with a history of angioedema
  - If intolerant of ACE-I and/or ARNI, still can substitute ARB
  - ACE and neprilysin <u>break down</u> bradykinin
  - Contraindicated in aliskiren

#### **Titration of GDMT**

- Uptitrate medications slowly and small increments to recommended target or highest tolerated dose
- Vulnerable populations (such as elderly and those with chronic kidney disease) may require more frequent visits and laboratory monitoring
- Monitor blood pressure and heart rate during uptitration of medications specifically orthostatic changes, bradycardia, and low blood pressures
- Alternate between classes of medications
- Monitor renal function for elevation in serum creatinine and hyperkalemia (does not mean discontinue)

#### **Titration of GDMT**

- Complaints of fatigue and weakness with dosage increases; in the absence of instability in vital signs, reassure symptoms often transient and resolve in a few days
- Discourage sudden spontaneous discontinuation of GDMT medications by the patient and/ or other clinicians without discussion with managing provider

- Review doses of other medications for HF symptom control (e.g., diuretics, nitrates)
- Consider temporary adjustments in dosages of GDMT during acute non-cardiac illnesses
- Educate patients, family members, and other clinicians about the expected benefits of achieving GDMT

Adapted from Yancy CW, et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2013:62:e147-e239.

## CD Primary Prevention in HFrEF (Level of evidence Class I)

- Primary prevention of sudden death (SCD) to reduce total mortality in selected patients
- Non-ischemic DCM or ischemic heart disease at least 40 days post-MI with LVEF  $\leq$ 35% /NYHA class II or III on chronic GDMT, who are expected live  $\geq$  1 year (Level of Evidence: A)\*
- Patients at least 40 days post-MI with LVEF of  $\leq$ 30% /NYHA class I on GDMT, who who are expected live  $\geq$  1 year (*Level of Evidence: B*)\*

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## CRT-D in HFrEF (Level of evidence A NYHA III/IV;B NYHA II)

- LVEF of <35%
- Normal sinus rhythm
- Left bundle-branch block (LBBB) QRS duration of 150 ms or more
- NYHA Class II-IV symptoms on GDMT

Yancy CW, et al. J Am Coll Cardiol. 2013:62:e147-e239.

#### Consider Referral for Advanced HF

- Frequent heart failure hospitalizations (2 in 6 months)
- Worsening renal function
- HFrEF with persistent NYHA Class III or IV HF on GDMT and devices
- Requiring high/higher doses of diuretics and/or frequent adjustments (>120 mg furosemide daily, >60 mg torsemide daily, or > 3mg bumetanide daily)
- Intolerance to beta-blocker and ACE-I due to hypotension

Society of Hospital Medicine. http://www.hospital http://www.hospitalmedicine.org/Web/Quality\_\_\_Innovation/Impementation\_Toolkit/CHF/hf\_specialistaspx. Updated 2016. Accessed December 26, 2016.

## Non-Pharmacological Interventions in Heart Failure

- Continuous positive airway pressure
  - Improves cardiac output
  - Decreases myocardial oxygen consumption
  - Improves LV function\*
  - \*Small study

- Cardiac rehabilitation
  - Modest significant reductions
    - All-cause mortality or hospitalization cardiovascular mortality
    - HF hospitalization

Kaneko Y, et al. *NEJM* . 2003;348:1233-41; Yancy CW, et al. *J Am Coll Cardiol*. 2013:62:e147-e239; O'Connor CM, et al. *JAMA*. 2007:301(14):1439-1450.

## Drugs to Avoid in Heart Failure

- NSAIDS (*ie*, ibuprofen, indomethacin, ketorolac, naproxen, nimesulide, and piroxicam)\*
- COX-2 Selective (ie, etoricoxib and rofecoxib)\*
- Thiazolidinediones (NYHA III-IV)
- Nondihydropyridine calcium channel blockers
- Certain antibiotics (ie, quionolones)
- Certain anti-arrhythmic agents (ie, dronedarone)
- Tumour necrosis factor antagonists (ie, infliximab, etanercept)

## Strategies to Reduce Readmissions

- Self-care education
- Early follow-up
- Disease management
- Team-based care

## Self-Management Tools

- Behavioral modification Teach Back method
- Variety of delivery platforms booklets, videos, web based, smart phone, pictures
- Literacy and health literacy appropriate

### Self-Care Adherence in Heart Failure

- 308 subjects in outpatient academic HF clinic
- Assess adherence of self care education behaviors with Medical Outcomes Study Specific Adherence Scale (MOS-SAS)
- Self-care behaviors education in person, video and written instructions:
  - Smoking
  - ETOH consumption
  - Medication management
  - Weight monitoring
  - Low sodium diet
  - Symptom management

Marti CN, et al. Congest Heart Fail. 2013;19(1): 16-24.

#### Self-Care Adherence in Heart Failure

- Improves health status demonstrated by KCCQ (Kansas City Cardiomyopathy Questionnaire) (p=0.011)
- Reduces all-cause ED visits (p<0.001)</li>
- HF-related ED visits (p=0.005)
- Total all-cause hospitalized days (p=0.015)
- Total HF related hospitalized days (p<0.001)</p>

#### **Self-Care Education**

- Knowing how to self manage and what to report
  - Limiting salt intake (<2000 mg daily)</p>
    - Avoid canned foods, processed foods, salting foods and fast foods
  - Weight monitoring
    - Weight gain of 2-3 lbs in 1 day or 5 lbs in 1 week
  - Heart failure symptoms
    - Swelling in legs or stomach, cough, tiredness, SOB lying flat and/or with activity

#### **Self-Care Education**

- Consider a method to manage medications
  - Utilizing a pillbox
  - List (updated)
- Avoid cardiotoxic agents
  - Recreational drugs
  - Moderate alcohol consumption
  - Smoking cessation

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## Team Management of Patients With Heart Failure

#### A Statement for Healthcare Professionals From the Cardiovascular Nursing Council of the American Heart Association

Kathleen L. Grady, PhD, RN; Kathleen Dracup, DNSc, RN; Gemma Kennedy, PhD, RN; Debra K. Moser, DNSc, RN; Mariann Piano, PhD, RN; Lynne Warner Stevenson, MD; James B. Young, MD

Circulation. 2000;102:2443-2456

doi: 10.1161/01.CIR.102.19.2443

#### **Team-Based Care**

- Comprehensive health serves to individuals, families and/or their communities
  - By at least two health professionals working collaboratively with patients, family caregivers, and community service providers on shared goals
  - Within and across settings to achieve care that is safe, effective, patient centered, timely, efficient and equitable

Naylor MD, et al. Team-Based Primary Care for Chronically III Adults: State of the Science. Advancing Team-Based Care. Philadelphia, PA: American Board of Internal Medicine Foundation; 2010.

#### Models Reduce Readmissions

- Multidisciplinary teams
  - In-person communication
- Multidisciplinary interventions
  - Include medical and at least 1 or more disciplines

Holland R, et al. Heart 2005;91:899-906; Sochalski J, et al. Health Affairs . 2008;28(1):179-189.

## Multidisciplinary interventions with physician oversight in heart failure

- Meta-analysis 30 RCTs (Sample 71-1518)
- Multidisciplinary interventions : Europe, US, Australia, New Zealand and Argentina
- Physician and at least 1 type of professional: nurse, pharmacist, dietician, or social worker
- Almost all interventions shared 2 key elements:
  - 1 to 1 pt. education on heart failure, medication, and diet and exercise advice
  - Symptom monitoring and selfmanagement advice

- 4 types of High intensity interventions:
  - Home visits
  - Tele-monitoring
  - Phone f/u or edu mailings
  - Hospital or Clinic interventions
- Effective when at least partly delivered in a patient's own home through visits, telephone calls, or more advanced televideo techniques
- Reduced all cause hospitalization (13%), HF related admissions (30%), and mortality (20%)

### **HF Transitional Care**

Intervention	All-Cause Readmissions		
	30 d	3-6 mo	
High-intensity home visits	0.34 (0.19-0.62)	0.75 (0.68-0.86)	
Telephone support	0.80 (0.38-1.65)	0.92 (0.77-1.10)	
Telemonitoring	1.02 (0.64-1.63)	1.11 (0.87-1.42)	
Multidisciplinary clinic	-	0.70 (0.55-0.89)	
Education	-	1.14 (0.84-1.54)	

Adapted from Feltner C, et al. Ann Intern Med. 2014;160:774-784.

### HF Disease Management Outcomes

- Studies for outcomes of disease management interventions in European countries were compared to that of other countries (United States, Canada, Australia, New Zealand)
- More studies in other countries demonstrated significant improvements in outcomes in comparison to the European countries
  - Outcomes included combined event of readmission or death, total rehospitalizations, number of days hospitalized, and quality of life

### HF Disease Management

- Established in 1998
- Physician oversight and Nurse Practitioner – Led Model
- 117 NYHA Functional Class III-IV
- Program involved:
  - Treatment protocols
  - Follow-up visits
  - Education (manual)
  - Telephone calls

- Results
  - ↑ Beta-blocker 52% to 76%
  - ↓Hospitalizations from 1.5 per patient-year to none
  - †Outpatient visits from 4.3 to 9.8 per year
  - †Outpatient cost by \$659 per patient-year
  - ↓Inpatient cost by \$6963 per patient-year

### Early Follow-Up Reduces Readmissions

- Most patients should see a physician (provider) within a week of discharge
- Patients who are discharged from hospitals that have higher early follow-up rates have a lower risk of 30-day readmission
- Patients need a timely evaluation of medication changes and clinical status

Hernandez A et al. JAMA. 2010;303(17):1716-1722.

#### Outpatient Infusions and heart failure

Case Keport

Clin Med Res • 2012;4(6):434-438

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J Card Fail. 2015 Aug;21(8):667-73. doi: 10.1016/j.cardfail.2015.05.009. Epub 2015 May 22.

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#### Conclusion

- Advanced Practice Providers have an important role in preventing and reducing the burden of HF by managing risk factors
- Multidisciplinary teams that include advanced practice providers improve HF outcomes
- Knowledge of past and current HF guidelines is imperative for optimal HF management
- Innovation that involves creativity as well as technology is required to reduce readmissions in high risk HF patients