## **Atrial Fibrillation**

Atrial Fibrillation (AF or AFib) is an irregular heartbeat that can lead to and increase your risk of stroke, heart failure and other heart related complication.

Normal ECG

Atrial fibrillation

It is the most common type of heart arrythmia.<sup>1</sup>

Left ventricle

**Atrial Fibrillation** 

Left

Right

ventricle

Right

atrium

atrium



AFib is linked with a 5x higher risk of stroke.

Talk to your doctor to learn more about different treatments.<sup>2</sup>

## **COMMON SYMPTOMS**

- Do you experience heart palpitations (fast heart rate)?
- Do you have trouble breathing or feel short of breath?
- Do you feel dizzy of light-headed?
- Do your experience fatigue?
- Do you experience weakness?
- Do you have difficulty completing tasks that were once easy, like mowing the lawn or walking short distances?

## PREVENTION

There are ways to reduce your risk of complications with AFib by maintaining a heart-healthy lifestyle

- Eat a heart-healthy lifestyle
- Exercise regularly
- Maintain a healthy weight
- $1.https://www.cdc.gov/heartdisease/atrial\_fibrillation.htm$

2.https://www.heart.org/-/media/files/health-topics/atrial-fibrillation/afib-are-you-at-risk-checklist

3.https://www.unitypoint.org/cedarrapids/default.aspx

4.https://www.mayoclinic.org/diseases-conditions/atrial-fibrillation/symptoms-causes/syc-20350624





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- Keep cholesterol and blood pressure levels under control

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