

# Heart disease and women



## Heart disease is your **biggest health threat.**

It is the #1 killer of women worldwide and it affects women of all ages.



### Heart disease **cannot be 'cured'.** It is a chronic condition.

Lifestyle changes matter at any age. It's never too late to start improving your heart health.

#### Heart disease is **under-studied**, **under-diagnosed**, and **under-treated in women**.

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Heart disease is different in women than in men. We need to improve knowledge and awareness.

#### When in doubt, check it out!

Never delay getting help for your symptoms.

Signs and symptoms most experienced by women are chest pain or discomfort

- Pressure
- Burning, aching, or soreness
- Tightness
- Unusual fatigue
- Squeezing
- Shortness of breath

#### What can I do?

Empower yourself by knowing your risks.

80%

Of risk factors are within your control to change!

#### **Risks include**

- 🗙 Diabetes, smoking, obesity
- > Physical inactivity, unhealthy diet, autoimmune diseases, pregnancy-related disorders
- X Depression, high blood pressure, high cholesterol

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