

RISK FACTORS



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The Center for Cardiac Fitness
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Objectives

- Identify the non-modifiable risk factors for CAD
- Identify the 7 primary modifiable risk factors for CAD
- Recognize classifications and clinical significance for each risk factor

Non-Modifiable

- Age
 - > 50 yoa- male; >55 yoa- female
- Gender
 - male > female
- Family History
 - < 55 yoa- male; <65 yoa- female

Modifiable

- Physical Inactivity
- Cholesterol
- High Blood Pressure
- Weight
- Stress
- Smoking
- Diabetes

Physical Inactivity

- Minimum exercise for health benefits
 - 3 day/wk for 30 min
- Need higher levels for weight loss



Cholesterol

- Total < 200
- LDL (bad) < 70
- HDL (good) > 45
- Trigs < 150
- Risk < 3.5

High Blood Pressure

- Ideal: 120/70
- Normal: < 130/85
- Mild: \geq 140/90
- Moderate: \geq 160/100
- Severe: \geq 180/110

High Blood Pressure

- Systolic = pressure on artery walls when heart beats
- Diastolic = pressure on artery walls when heart is at rest
- What happens when you exercise?

Weight

- BMI
 - unit derived from height and weight
 - Normal < 25.0
 - Overweight 25-29
 - Obese ≥ 30.0



Stress

- Increases HR and BP
 - => increase oxygen demand
- Disrupts lining of artery
- Increases LDL cholesterol

Smoking

- Increases HR & BP
 - =>increases oxygen demand
- Disrupts lining of artery
- Carbon Monoxide replaces oxygen on red blood cells



Diabetes

- Risk of 1st heart attack equivalent to someone with a previous heart attack to have a 2nd
- Fasting Blood Glucose
 - Normal = < 110
 - Diabetes = ≥ 126