

4 Things You Better Know About



Blood Pressure

Facts About High Blood Pressure





65% - 60+ years

30% Virginians Have **Hypertension**

Over 1.9 million individuals

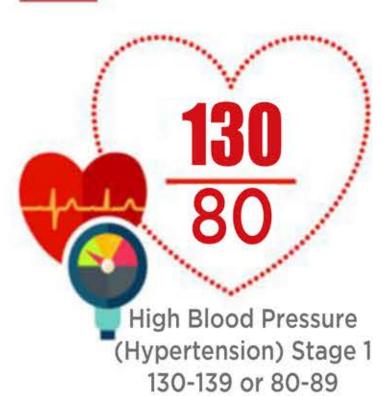


Of the nearly 80M Adults with HBP close to HALF are not controlled

AMERICANS ARE LIVING WITH HBP TODAY

1,000 DEATHS

What is High Blood Pressure?



The top number (systolic) matters most; it measures the force at the moment the heart beats, pumping blood throughout the body.

The bottom number (diastolic) blood pressure, measures the pressure in your blood vessels when your heart rests between beats.

When pressure increases, it can damage your kidneys, eyes, brain, even the lining of blood vessels and cause a stroke or heart attack.

Ask Your Doctor What Number is Right For You.

What Increases Blood Pressure?

Weight







55+ Years Old The upper number

increases starting at age 40.

Loose the Pounds Dropping just 11

pounds can shave off more than 4 points

Learn Ways to Relax

Blood pressure spikes just because you're having it measured.

Control Your Blood Pressure Better BP Control= Reduces Risk of Illness

Three Steps To Lowering Your Blood Pressue

NORMAL

Monitor Your Blood Pressure



Eat Healthy Eat a variety of natural foods with

reasonable portions.



Find ways to calm your thoughts by practicing slow breathing or meditating

Top Number:

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