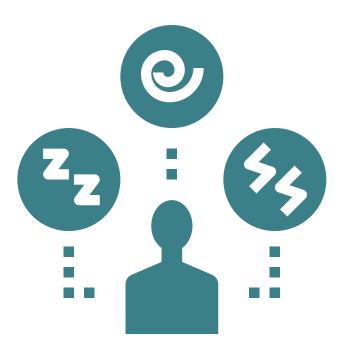
WHAT ARE THE RISKS OF OBSTRUCTIVE SLEEP APNEA (OSA)?

HOW DO I KNOW IF I'M AT RISK?

COMMON SIGNS & SYMPTOMS ARE:

- Excessive daytime sleepiness
- Loud snoring
- Snorting or gasping during sleep
- Dry mouth
- Morning headaches
 - Difficulty concentrating
 - Memory problems
- Irritability



Sleep apnea is common! Approximately 26% of adults aged 30-70 years have OSA

WHAT ARE THE DANGERS OF UNTREATED OSA? PEOPLE WITH UNTREATED OSA FACE HIGHER RISKS OF:



High Blood Pressure & Congestive Heart Failure

- Over 50% of patients with heart failure have OSA
- People with OSA have a 30% increased risk of heart attack & premature death
- OSA is the 2nd leading cause of hypertension (high blood pressure) & premature death



Strokes



- People with OSA are 7x more likely to have a stroke
- 84% of people with OSA have nocturnal strokes
- The risk of stroke rises in more severe cases of OSA



Diabetes

- 48% of patients with Type 2 Diabetes have OSA
- 58% of older patients with Type 2 Diabetes have OSAs
- Up to 86% of obese patients with Type 2 Diabetes have OSA



Mood Disorders & Sexual Dysfunction

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Chronic Fatigue

- 46.5% of patients with mild OSA experience excessive sleepiness
- 58% of patients with severe OSA experience excessive sleepiness



Motor Vehicle Accidents

• People with OSA are 7x more likely to have a motor vehcile accident

