

Family and Community Health “Connections” in McCulloch County

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Heart Disease Quiz

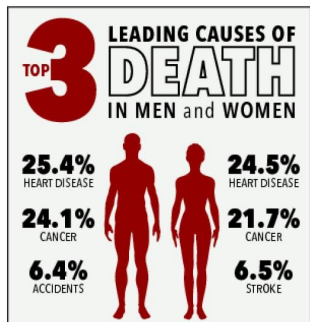
Heart disease is a serious medical condition, but knowing how to prevent or manage heart disease can help save your life or the life of someone you love.

Test your knowledge about heart disease with six quick questions.

1. True or false? Heart disease is the second leading cause of death in the United States.
A. True
B. False
C. 500,000
D. More than 600,000
2. Having high blood pressure, having high cholesterol, and smoking tobacco all increase your risk for heart disease. Health care professionals call these “risk factors.” How many American adults have at least 1 of these 3 risk factors for heart disease?
A. 24%
B. 37%
C. 47%
D. 76%
3. How many Americans will have a heart attack for the first time this year?
A. Less than 50,000
B. 100,000
C. 500,000
D. More than 600,000
4. You have a better chance of surviving a heart attack if you know the warning signs. Which of these is a warning sign of a heart attack?
A. Pain or discomfort in the jaw, neck, or back.
B. Shortness of breath.
C. Feeling weak, light-headed, or faint.
D. All of the above.
5. True or false? Heart disease can run in a family.
A. True
B. False
6. By making healthy choices, you can help lower your risk for heart disease. Which one of these is not part of a healthy lifestyle?
A. Being physically active.
B. Taking medicine

Answers on page 3

Source: Center for Disease Control



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Keep Going! Stay Motivated to Be Active

Physical activity is a great way for older adults to gain substantial health benefits and maintain independence. To make physical activity a routine habit, choose activities and exercises that are fun, motivate you and keep you interested.

Keep It Going

If you can stick with an exercise routine or physical activity for at least 6 months, it's a good sign that you're on your way to making physical activity a regular habit.

Choose activities:

- You enjoy and believe you'll benefit from
- You can fit into your schedule
- You can do safely and correctly
- That are affordable
- That include friends or family

Keep It Positive



Set realistic goals, regularly check your progress and celebrate your accomplishments. These will keep you on track.

Keep Your Eye on the Prize

Focus on the benefits of regular exercise and physical activity:

- Greater ease doing daily tasks
- More energy to do the things you enjoy most
- Improved health
- Better outlook on life

Find Activities You Enjoy

Some people like to walk on a treadmill at the gym. Others find that kind of activity boring. The key to sticking with exercise is to make it interesting and enjoyable.

Be creative. Do things you enjoy but pick up the pace. Do all four types of exercise—endurance, strength, balance, and flexibility. The variety helps keep things interesting!

Try some new activities to keep your interest alive. .

Keep Track of Your Progress

The best way to stay motivated is to measure and celebrate your successes. You can find easy-to-use progress forms on the *Go4Life* website. Use these forms to:

- Set and revisit your goals
- Make an exercise and physical activity plan that works for you

Heart Disease Quiz Answers

1. **ANSWER: False.** Heart disease is the leading cause of death for men and women in the United States. About 600,000 Americans die from heart disease every year—that's 1 of every 4 deaths. Heart disease is the term used for several types of problems affecting the heart. Coronary artery disease (CAD) is the most common type of heart disease. CAD kills more than 380,000 people every year.
2. **ANSWER: 47%.** About half of all American adults have at least 1 of the 3 major risk factors for heart disease—high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and smoking. The more risk factors you have, the more likely you are to develop heart disease. Other risk factors for heart disease include the following:

- Having diabetes.
- Not getting enough exercise.
- Eating an unhealthy diet.
- Being obese.
- Having a family history of heart disease.

3. **ANSWER: More than 600,000.** About **735,000** Americans have a heart attack every year. Of those 735,000 heart attacks, about **525,000** happen to people who have never had a heart attack before. People who have had a first heart attack are more likely to have another one.



That's enough people
to fill the largest college
football stadium

5
times.

4. **ANSWER: All of the above.** There are five major signs and symptoms of a heart attack:
 - Pain or discomfort in the jaw, neck, or back.
 - Feeling weak, light-headed, or faint.
 - Chest pain or discomfort.
 - Pain or discomfort in arms or shoulder.
 - Shortness of breath.
 Other symptoms of a heart attack could include unusual or unexplained tiredness, pain in the upper abdomen, and nausea or vomiting. If you or someone you're with shows any of these warning signs, **call 9-1-1 right away.**
5. **ANSWER: True.** Family members share genes, behaviors, lifestyles, and environments that can influence their health and their risk for disease. Members of a family can pass traits from one generation to another. Some of the traits you inherit from your parents can affect your risk for heart disease. Your risk can increase even more when inherited traits combine with unhealthy lifestyle choices, such as smoking tobacco and eating an unhealthy diet.
6. **ANSWER: Smoking.** Smoking Tobacco raises your blood pressure and greatly



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Tex Mex Turkey Skillet Serves 6

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Ingredients:

- 1 lb extra lean ground turkey breast
- 1 medium onion chopped
- 2 tbsp chili powder
- 2 tbsp unsalted tomato paste
- 1 tbsp ground cumin
- 1/8 tsp salt
- 3 cups cooked brown rice
- 1 (16 ounce) can unsalted pinto beans rinsed and drained
- 2 (4 ounce) cans diced green chilies
- 1 (14 ounce) can unsalted diced tomatoes un-drained
- fresh cilantro for garnish

Instructions:

1. In a large skillet over medium-heat, cook the mean and onion until brown, stirring to crumble; drain.
2. Return meat to skillet.
3. Add chili powder, cumin, tomato paste and salt.
4. Stir in rice, beans and chilies; heat through.
5. Garnish with cilantro if desired.
6. Serve immediately.

Nutrition Facts

6 servings per container

Serving size (383g)

Amount per serving

Calories **320**

% Daily Value*

Total Fat 4.5g **6%**

Saturated Fat 1.5g **8%**

Trans Fat 0g

Cholesterol 45mg **15%**

Sodium 420mg **18%**

Total Carbohydrate 46g **17%**

Dietary Fiber 9g **32%**

Total Sugars 5g

Includes 0g Added Sugars **0%**

Protein 24g

Vitamin D 0mcg **0%**

Calcium 77mg **6%**

Iron 5mg **30%**

Potassium 785mg **15%**

*The % Daily Value tells you how much a nutrient in a serving of food contributes to a daily diet. 2,000 calories a day is used for general nutrition advice.

McCulloch County News

Congratulations to our District 7 4-H FOOD CHALLENGE and San Angelo Food Challenge Teams who competed January 23 :

Juniors: Mya Lawrence, Elizabeth Brown, Renae Striegler

Intermediate: Dovelynn Powers, Lily Beimer, Kairi Pyle

Intermediate: Jooniper Bucholz, Liana Gonzalez, Celina Perez

Intermediate: Seth Beimer, Van Verdell, Maria Rivera

Intermediate: J.P. Parrish, Conner McWilliams, MJ Penn

Senior: Taylor Limbaugh, Courtney Rowen, McKenzie Striegler ----

- 6th Place

We are proud of the great job each team demonstrated!

Join us at Tractor Supply for the

KICK-OFF EVENT OF WALK ACROSS TEXAS

February 19, 5:00 Registration and Tai Chi Class at 5:30

Better Living for Texan Nutrition Education classes are available, call the extension office if you are interested—325-597-1295

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