



### HEAT STROKE

Heat-related deaths and illness are preventable yet annually many people succumb to extreme heat. Heat stroke occurs when the body is unable to regulate its temperature. The body normally cools itself by sweating. But under some conditions, sweating just isn't enough. In such cases, a person's body temperature rises rapidly. Very high body temperatures may damage the brain or other vital organs. Body temperature may rise to 106°F or higher within 10 to 15 minutes. Heat stroke can cause death or permanent disability if emergency treatment is not provided.

example, immerse the victim in a tub of cool water; place the person in a cool shower; spray the victim with cool water from a garden hose; sponge the person with cool water; or if the humidity is low, wrap the victim in a cool, wet sheet and fan him or her vigorously.



heat stress efficiently and are less likely to sense and respond to change in temperature.

- People who are overweight may be prone to heat sickness because of their tendency to retain more body heat.
- People who overexert during work or exercise may become dehydrated and susceptible to heat sickness.
- People who are physically ill, especially with heart disease or high blood pressure, or who take certain medications, such as for depression, insomnia, or poor circulation, may be affected by extreme heat.

#### RECOGNIZING HEAT STROKE

Warning signs of heat stroke vary but may include the following:

- An extremely high body temperature (above 103°F, orally)
- Red, hot, and dry skin (no sweating)
- Rapid, strong pulse
- Throbbing headache
- Dizziness
- Nausea
- Confusion
- Unconsciousness

#### RESPONSE

If you see any of these signs, you may be dealing with a life-threatening emergency. Have someone call for immediate medical assistance while you begin cooling the victim. Do the following:

- Get medical assistance as soon as possible.
- Get the victim to a shady area.
- Cool the victim rapidly using whatever methods you can. For

- Monitor body temperature, and continue cooling efforts until the body temperature drops to 101-102°F.
- Do not give the victim fluids to drink.
- In case of muscle twitching due to heatstroke, keep the victim from injuring himself, do not place any object in the mouth and do not give fluids. If there is vomiting, make sure the airway remains open by turning the victim on his or her side.

#### HIGH RISK INDIVIDUALS

Although anyone at any time can suffer from heat-related illness, some people are at greater risk than others like:

- Infants and young children
- People 65 years of age or older may not compensate for

#### PREVENTION

Although heatstroke is serious, you can easily prevent it. To help prevent any heat-related illness, when it's hot remember to:

- Wear loose fitting, lightweight clothing.
- Seek a cooler environment.
- Drink plenty of fluids.
- Take extra precautions with certain medications. Several medications can affect your body's ability to stay hydrated. These include medications for blood pressure regulation, psychiatric medications and pain killers
- Avoid strenuous activity in the heat. Try to schedule exercise or physical labor for cooler parts of the day, such as early morning or evening. Take frequent breaks and replenish your fluids during that time will help your body regulate your temperature.

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**“Never let  
the sun go  
down on  
your anger”**

**-Unknown**

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**G**astroenteritis is inflammation of the gastrointestinal tract, involving the stomach, intestines, or both; usually resulting in diarrhea, abdominal cramps, nausea and vomiting.

#### SYMPTOMS

- Abdominal cramps
- Nausea and vomiting
- Diarrhea
- Loss of appetite
- Weakness
- Fever or chills
- Dehydration

is the most common cause of death in infants. It rapidly becomes severe in children and leads to serious consequences.

If you suspect gastroenteritis in your child:

- Allow your child to rest.
- When child's vomiting stops, begin to offer small amounts of Oral Rehydration Solution (ORS). Don't use only water. In children, water isn't absorbed well and won't adequately replace lost fluids. Also avoid apple juice and milk, which can make diarrhea worse.
- Gradually introduce bland, easy-to-digest foods, such as toast, rice, bananas & potatoes. Avoid dairy products & sugary foods like ice cream, soda, candy,

#### HOME REMEDIES

- Stop eating & drinking for few hours to let the stomach settle.
- Drink plenty of liquids, such as a electrolyte based sports drinks or water and take them in frequent sips. Make sure that you're urinating normally and urine is light and clear.
- Ease back into eating. Gradually begin to eat bland, easy-to-digest foods, such as soda crackers, toast, gelatin, bananas, rice and chicken. Stop eating if your nausea returns. Avoid caffeine, alcohol, nicotine, and fatty or highly seasoned foods for a few days.
- Get plenty of rest. The illness and dehydration can make you weak and tired.

## GASTROENTERITIS



#### CAUSES

Gastroenteritis has many causes. Viruses and bacteria are the most common. Viruses and bacteria are very contagious and can spread through contaminated food or water. In up to 50% of diarrheal outbreaks, no specific agent is found. The infection can spread from person to person because of improper hand washing following a bowel movement or handling a soiled diaper.

Children are the most common victims of Gastroenteritis and it

Get medical help if your child:

- Becomes unusually drowsy.
- Vomits blood.
- Has bloody diarrhea.
- Shows signs of dehydration, such as dry mouth and skin, marked thirst, sunken eyes, or crying without tears. In an infant, be alert to the soft spot on the top of the head becoming sunken and to diapers that remain dry for more than eight hours.

#### GET MEDICAL HELP IF

- Vomiting persists for more than two days.
- Diarrhea persists for longer than several days.
- Diarrhea turns bloody.
- Fever is 101 F (38.3 C) or higher.
- Lightheadedness or fainting occurs with standing.
- Confusion develops.
- Worrisome abdominal pain develops.

#### DID YOU KNOW?

When an egg floats in water, it is “off” and should not be eaten. As eggs age, gases build up inside the shell making it more buoyant. This is the best way to test whether an egg has gone rotten without having to break open the shell, risking the foul odor escaping. When an egg is extremely fresh it will lie on its side at the bottom of a glass of water. As it ages, the egg will begin to point upwards, and will finally float completely when it has gone bad.



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#### FACTS ABOUT BONES



- The smallest bone in the human body is stapes bone which is located in the ear.
- The only bone fully grown at birth is located in the ear.
- Human face has 14 bones.
- Humans are born with 300 bones in their body, however when a person reaches adulthood they only have 206 bones.
- Gardening is said to be one of the best exercises for maintaining healthy bones.
- Although the outsides of a bone are hard, they are generally light and soft inside. They are about 75% water.
- Adult human bones account for 14% of the body's total weight.
- Your thigh bone is stronger than concrete.
- The strongest bone in your body is the femur (thighbone), and it's hollow!

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