







# WHAT IS SEPSIS?


Anyone can get an infection and almost any infection may lead to sepsis. Sepsis is the body's extreme response to an infection and happens when your body overreacts to an infection you already have. This overreaction may cause your organs to stop working.

At least 1.7 million adult Americans develop sepsis every year and nearly 270,000 die every year from sepsis.

## Know the symptoms of SEPSIS:

<b>S</b>	hortness of breath.	
<b>E</b>	levated heart rate (fast beating) and/or low blood pressure.	
<b>P</b>	ain or discomfort all over.	
<b>S</b>	leepy, difficulty waking up, confusion.	
<b>I</b>	nfection somewhere in the body.	
<b>S</b>	hivering, feeling very cold and/or fever.	

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 **Knowing SEPSIS might help you save a life.**  
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Early recognition is key to treating sepsis. Sepsis is a medical emergency. If you suspect sepsis, get medical care immediately.