

When to Call 911

Know These Symptoms



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Heart Attack:

- Chest pain with pressure sensation or pain radiating into the jaw, teeth, shoulder or back.
- Palpitations with dizziness.
- Shortness of breath.
- Sweating.
- ..and/or nausea or vomiting.

Stroke:

- Sudden dizziness.
- Numbness or paralysis.
- Difficulty seeing.
- Difficulty speaking.
- Loss of consciousness.

Seizure:

Call 911 if one or more of these are true. ¹

- The person has never had a seizure before.
- The person has difficulty breathing or waking after the seizure.
- The seizure lasts longer than 5 minutes.
- The person has another seizure soon after the first one.
- The person is hurt during the seizure.
- The seizure happens in water.
- The person has a health condition like diabetes, heart disease, or is pregnant.

Symptoms

- Temporary confusion -- often described as a "fuzzy" feeling.
- A staring spell.
- Uncontrollable jerking movements of the arms and legs.
- Loss of consciousness or awareness.
- Psychic symptoms -- out-of-body feelings or not feeling "in the moment".

Severe Abdominal Pain:

Call 911 if pain is severe and associated with ²:

- Trauma, such as an accident or injury.
- Pressure or pain in your chest.

¹ <https://www.cdc.gov/epilepsy/about/first-aid.htm>.

² <https://www.mayoclinic.org/symptoms/abdominal-pain/basics/when-to-see-doctor/sym-20050728>