Heart valve disease (HVD) involves damage to one or more of the heart’s valves. This can reduce blood flow and lead to major complications—including death.

HEART VALVE DISEASE CAN BE SERIOUS AND DEADLY

...5 MILLION PEOPLE in the United States are estimated to have HVD

...1 in 8 people AGE 75+ are estimated to have moderate to severe HVD

...22,000 AMERICANS DIE from HVD every year

AWARENESS OF HEART VALVE DISEASE IS LOW

60% of people have heard of HVD...

But only 9% know a great deal about it

And 15% know somewhat about it

Of those 65+: 30% know nothing about HVD

Stats from an online survey of more than 400 individuals diagnosed with heart valve disease, conducted by the Alliance for Aging Research and Belden Russonello Strategists

IN THOSE WITH HEART VALVE DISEASE

...2/3 knew nothing about HVD prior to their diagnosis

60% were diagnosed after a regular check-up or visit for something else

HVD CAN USUALLY BE SUCCESSFULLY TREATED in patients of all ages

Respondents who have received treatment express high levels of satisfaction with it

Learn more about a public awareness campaign to increase recognition of symptoms, improve detection and treatment, and ultimately save lives

For more information about heart valve disease visit: LivingwithValveDisease.org