Location





Linkway @ Level 1 Via MRT station (Exit A)



Linkway @ Level 1



Linkway @ Level 4



Drop off only



Bus Stop



Carpark



Taxi Stand / Drop off



Kent Ridge MRT Station @ Level 1



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Contact Information

National University Heart Centre, Singapore

1 Main Building of NUH

Opening Hours: 9.00am - 6.00pm

(Monday - Friday) Closed on Weekend & Public Holidays

Website: www.nuhcs.com.sq

Getting to NUH

Circle Line Kent Ridge MRT Station

Commuters can transit at the Buona Vista MRT Interchange and alight two stops after at the Kent Ridge Station. The station is served by three exit-entry points.

Exit A: Right at the doorstep of National University Heart Centre, Singapore.

Exit B: Along South Buona Vista Road, which links to Singapore Science Park 1.

Exit C: Leads to NUH Medical Centre.



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Heart diseases occur when the blood vessels of the heart are damaged or diseased, which can cause serious problems such as heart attack, heart failure or heart rhythm problems.

Your medication treatment plan will depend on how your heart disease affects your heart and blood vessels. You may need more than one medication to manage your heart disease symptoms.

Do you Know?

- Taking your medications as instructed will prevent and relieve symptoms, and may help your heart to pump more effectively
- Exercising regularly will help improve your heart's ability to pump blood
- **Smoking** damages the blood vessels and reduces the amount of oxygen in the blood which can worsen your heart condition
- **Drinking too much alcohol** can raise blood pressure, cause heart failure and lead to stroke

Alert doctor if:



- You are pregnant/intend to get pregnant
- You are breastfeeding



 You have other medical conditions/taking other medications

Medicine	Uses	Possible side effects	Precautions
ACE inhibitors ☐ Captopril ☐ Enalapril ☐ Lisinopril ☐ Perindopril ☐ Ramipril	Reduce blood pressure, protect kidneys and reduce heart failure related complications and hospitalizations	- Dizziness - Dry cough - May increase potassium level	 Rise slowly from sitting/lying position to prevent dizziness Consult doctor if you experience persistent dry cough Do not take additional potassiun supplements other than those prescribed by doctor and avoid using salt substitutes
Angiotensin -receptor blockers Candesartan Irbesartan Losartan Telmisartan Valsartan	Reduce blood pressure, protect kidneys and reduce heart failure related complications and hospitalizations	- Dizziness - May increase potassium level	 Rise slowly from sitting/lying position to prevent dizziness Do not take additional potassium supplements other than those prescribed by doctor and avoid using salt substitutes
Beta-blockers ☐ Atenolol ☐ Bisoprolol ☐ Carvedilol ☐ Labetalol ☐ Metoprolol ☐ Nebivolol	Reduce blood pressure, heart rate and reduce heart failure related complications and hospitalizations	- Slow heartbeat - Tiredness - Dizziness - Cold hands and feet - Shortness of breath	 Do not suddenly discontinue If you have high blood sugar (diabetes), monitor your blood sugar closely

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Calcium channel blockers Dihydropyridine Amlodipine Felodipine Nifedipine	Relax blood vessels to reduce blood pressure and chest pain	- Dizziness - Flushing - Swelling of legs	Consult doctor if you experience worsening chest pain or swelling of legs
Non-dihydropyridine □ Diltiazem □ Verapamil	Treat abnormal heart rhythms	- Headache/ Dizziness - Constipation (Verapamil) - Swelling of legs	 Avoid alcohol and grapefruit juice Consult doctor if you experience severe breathlessness or leg swelling
Diuretics Loop diuretic ☐ Frusemide ☐ Bumetanide	Reduce fluid retention by increasing urination	- Low mineral levels (e.g. sodium, potassium)	 Rise slowly from sitting or lying position to prevent dizziness
Thiazide diuretic ☐ Hydrochlorothiazide ☐ Metolazone	For twice-daily dosing , take the second dose no later than 5pm to prevent urination at night.		
Potassium-sparing diuretic ☐ Amiloride ☐ Eplerenone ☐ Spironolactone		- May increase potassium level	Do not take additional potassium supplements other than those prescribed by doctor and avoid using salt substitutes
Antiplatelets ☐ Aspirin ☐ Clopidogrel ☐ Prasugrel ☐ Ticagrelor	Prevent clot formation and reduce risk of stroke and heart attack	- Bleeding/ Bruises - Gastric irritation (Aspirin)	Monitor for signs of bleeding (e.g. gum/nose bleeds, coughing up blood, blood in urine/stools, heavy menstrual period if applicable)
Statins ☐ Atorvastatin ☐ Lovastatin ☐ Rosuvastatin ☐ Simvastatin	Reduce cholesterol production	- Muscle pain or stiffness - Constipation - Abdominal pain	 Consult doctor if you experience 1. Unexplained muscle pain, tenderness, or weakness 2. Pale stools/tea-colored urine, yellowing of skin/eyes, abdominal pain 3. Severe nausea/vomiting Avoid excess alcohol intake to minimize risk of liver injury Avoid grapefruit juice



Do not stop taking your medicine even if you feel better, to prevent complications such as stroke or heart attack. Inform your doctor or pharmacist if side effects persist or if you experience any allergic reaction (e.g. itch, rashes, facial or eye swelling)