

# Cardiomyopathy HYPERTROPHIC CARDIOMYOPATHY

### WHAT IS HCM?

Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy (Pronounced: Hyper-trō- fic Cardio-my-opathy) HCM, refers to a family of genetic disorders. HCM causes abnormal cell structure and thickening of the heart muscle. Most commonly, the disease involves abnormalities in genes regulating the cardiac contractile function and less commonly, in other genes which alter the normal functioning of the heart muscle.

## **HOW COMMON** IS HCM?

HCM is a relatively common genetic disorder affecting an estimated 1 in 500 worldwide. Recent data suggests it could be as common as 1 in 200.

# **NORMAL**

- **SIGNS AND** Heart Murmurs Fainting/Nearly fainting
- **SYMPTOMS:** Shortness of breath Chest, jaw, and neck pain

MID **CAVITY** 

• Lightheadedness • Palpitations Symptoms can range from extremely mild to severe.

## **WITHOUT**

**OBSTRUCTION** Atrial Enlargement

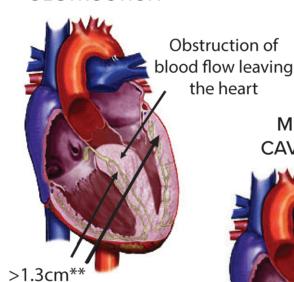
>1.3cm

**SCREENING:** If you have been diagnosed with HCM all first-degree family members should be screened with cardiac imaging and/ or genetic testing, and check up with a cardiologist knowledgeable in HCM.

\*HCM can come in many patterns.

**APICAL** 

#### WITH **OBSTRUCTION**



These are a few. \* Papillary muscles are only shown in some. \*\* 1.5 without genetic testing

> Possible obstruction or cavity obliteration

# **TREATMENT OPTIONS**

#### **MEDICATION**

1.2cm

- Beta-blockers
- Calcium Channel Blockers
- Myosin Inhibitors
- Norpace/Disopyramide
- Antiarrhythmic drugs
- **Diuretics**
- Anticoagulants
- **Antibiotics**
- New medications under investigation
- 90% may require medication

## **SEPTAL** REDUCTION

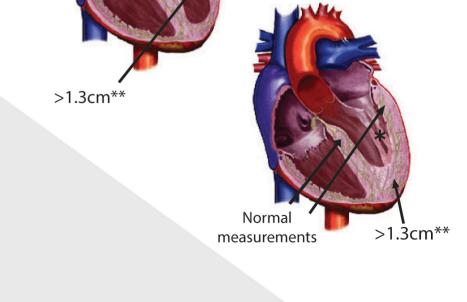
- Surgery
  - >Septal Myectomy
- Nonsurgical
  - >Alcohol Septal Ablation
- 20-25% may qualify for septal reduction therapy

### RHYTHM MANAGMENT

- Pacemaker
- Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator
- Atrial Fibrillation **Ablation**
- 20% may require ICD
- 20% may experience Atrial Fibrillation

#### TRANSPLANT

- Approximately 3-5% may require a transplant
- ▼ Data taken from **HCMA** database





Want to share with your family?



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