

Venous Thromboembolism: Impact of Blood Clots on the United States

Know the Lingo About Blood Clots

Deep vein thrombosis (DVT):

Blood clot located in a deep vein, usually in a leg or arm.

Pulmonary embolism (PE):

Blood clot that has traveled from a deep vein to a lung.

DVT and PE are also known as **VTE (venous thromboembolism)**.

Blood Clots Affect Many People

900,000
EACH YEAR

VTE affects as many as 900,000 Americans each year.



3 IN 10

3 in 10 people who have a blood clot will have another episode within 10 years.

Blood Clots Can Be Deadly

100,000
PEOPLE DIE EACH YEAR



As many as 100,000 people die of blood clots each year.

SUDDEN DEATH



1 of 4 people who have a PE die without warning.

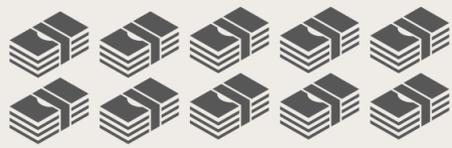
PE is a leading cause of death in a woman during pregnancy or just after having a baby.



Blood clots are a leading cause of death in people with cancer after the cancer itself.

Blood Clots Are Costly

10 BILLION
DOLLARS



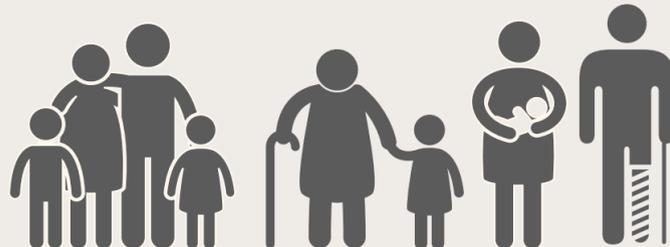
Blood clots cost our nation up to \$10 billion each year.

+ **\$15K TO \$20K**

Treatment can be as much as \$15,000 to \$20,000 per person and often results in readmission to the hospital.



Things to Know



Blood clots can happen to anyone.



They are often preventable.

Early diagnosis is critical to prevent death.
Take action now to prevent blood clots.
Talk with your doctor about the risks for blood clots and learn how they can be prevented.



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cdc.gov/ncbddd/dvt/index.htm