HEART FAILURE ZONES

GREEN ZONE I'm doing well	WHAT TO DO:
 I have not gained more than 2 pounds in 24 hours or 5 pounds in one week. I am not short of breath. I have no swelling in my feet, ankles, legs or stomach. 	 Weigh yourself every morning before eating, and write down your weight every day. Take all medications as directed. Eat a low sodium (salt) diet. DAILY LIMIT: 2000 mg (milligrams) Monitor fluid intake. DAILY LIMIT: 2 liters or 64 ounces
YELLOW ZONE It's a bad day	WHAT TO DO:
 I gained 2 pounds or more in 24 hours or 5 pounds in one week. I'm short of breath. I have a dry hacking cough. I feel lightheaded or dizzy. I have swelling. I have no energy. I have difficulty lying flat. I have to sleep with multiple pillows or sleep sitting in a chair. 	 Call your cardiologist or family doctor to let them know your symptoms. Continue to weigh yourself daily. Take all medications as directed. Continue eating a low sodium (salt) diet and monitoring your fluid intake.
RED ZONE EMERGENCY	WHAT TO DO: STOP
 Struggling to breathe. Chest pain, pressure, squeezing or any discomfort. Facial droop, arm weakness or slurred speech. Confusion. Extreme weakness or exhaustion. 	Call 911!

The information included on this Heart Failure Zone card should not be used as a substitute for professional medical advice.

PERSONAL DETAILS

My name is:
My date of birth:
My family doctor is:
My family doctor's phone number is:
My cardiologist is:
My cardiologist's phone number is:
My emergency contact is:
My emergency contact's phone number is:
Other Important Contacts
My other contact is:
My other contact's phone number is:
My other contact is:
My other contact's phone number is:
Heart Details
My FE (ejection fraction) is:

Keep an updated list of all medications (name of medication, how much you take, how often you take it) and bring this list to all appointments and hospital visits.



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