Over 3,500 Hoosiers died from sepsis according to the 2018 Indiana Hospital Association Inpatient Discharge Study. Knowing the signs and seeking immediate medical attention can help you or your loved ones Survive it.

According to the Global Sepsis Alliance, sepsis is more common than heart attacks and claims more lives than cancer. If detected in time, sepsis can be treated at a hospital.

Sepsis can occur from a minor infection.

- Be vaccinated Protect yourself against flu, pneumonia, and other infections
- Be thorough Properly clean wounds and practice good hygiene.
- Be vigilant If you have an infection, look for fever, chills, and rapid breathing.

Many sepsis survivors recover completely, however, according to the Sepsis Alliance, post-sepsis syndrome affects up to 50% of survivors and are left with possible effects, such as: muscle weakness, fatigue, difficulty swallowing, cloudy thinking, difficulty concentrating, poor memory, difficulty sleeping, sadness, and anxiety.



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Have you heard of sepsis? Only 65% have, according to the Sepsis Alliance. And while awareness is growing, many who have heard of sepsis still don't know what it means.

Sepsis is the body's extreme response to an infection. It is a life-threatening emergency.

Any type of infection, anywhere in the body, can cause sepsis. Four types of infections that are often linked with sepsis are:

- Lungs (pneumonia)
- Kidney (urinary tract infection)
- Skin (new or worsening injury)
- Abdomen/Gut



of the Indiana Hospital Association

Every two minutes, an American dies from sepsis, according to Sepsis Alliance.

The first step in preventing death from sepsis is to See It to reduce time to treatment. Learn to identify sepsis through its symptoms, including:

- S: Shivering, fever, very cold
- **E:** Extreme pain
- P: Pale or discolored skin
- S: Sleepy, difficult to wake up
- **!:** "I feel like I might die"
- S: Shortness of breath

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