

# GOING TO THE HOSPITAL? KNOW THROMBOSIS



Do you or a loved one have an upcoming appointment with a doctor?



Are you going to the hospital?

**NOW IS THE TIME TO GET INFORMED!**

## THE FACTS

A blood clot that forms in the leg is called deep vein thrombosis (DVT). If the blood clot breaks loose and travels up to your lungs, it is called a pulmonary embolism (PE).

Together, they are known as venous thromboembolism (VTE).

## THE NUMBERS

**1 IN 4**

people die from causes related to blood clots

**1-3**

top cardiovascular killers are linked to blood clots

**#1**

cause of preventable death in hospitals is VTE

**60%**

of all VTE cases occur during or following hospitalization

### DON'T BECOME ANOTHER STATISTIC – TAKE CONTROL.

It's your RIGHT to ask for a VTE risk assessment while at the hospital.

Discuss the risks, signs and symptoms of VTE and proper prevention options with your healthcare provider.

**It could save your life.**

### KNOW THROMBOSIS! IT'S AS EASY AS 1. 2. 3.

- 1** Have proactive conversations about blood clots with your healthcare professional
- 2** Inform your friends and family about their RIGHT to ask for a VTE risk assessment
- 3** Join the thousands of people who are raising awareness of blood clots on World Thrombosis Day



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13 OCTOBER

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