

2017 CCS HF Guidelines Medical Therapy for HFrEF When...What Order...and How Much?

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- **Mobile Apps:** new **iCCS** App includes updated 2017 content and will be the single resource for CCS guidelines moving forward. The **Med-hf** app is also available to support the initiation, titration, assessment and monitoring of HF medications.



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Mrs “rEF”

- **50 yr old F**
- **Followed by you for 3 months with HFrEF and wants to know “is she appropriate for one of those new fancy drugs”?**
- **PMHx**
 - HTN, dyslipidemia
- **Meds prior to HF diagnosis**
 - amlodipine 5 mg od, rosuvastatin 10 mg od
- **Initial HF Presentation**
 - 2 presentations to ER with “respiratory tract infection”
 - 3 pillow orthopnea and moderate HF symptoms
 - Review of systems: unremarkable
 - BP 120/80, HR 90, volume overloaded (JVP, crackles, peripheral edema)...admitted to hospital

Mrs. "rEF"

- **Investigations in hospital**
 - **ECG: sinus rhythm, QRS 116 ms, no Q waves**
 - **CXR: cardiomegaly**
 - **Echo: LVEF 25-30%, LVIDd 62 mm, moderate functional MR**
 - **MIBI scan: normal perfusion**
 - **Na 136, K 4.1, Creat 100, CBC normal**
- **Discharged home on**
 - **furosemide 40 mg/d**
 - **ramipril 2.5 mg bid**
 - **amlodipine and rosuvastatin continued**
- **Improved – fluctuates NYHA class II-III symptoms, no orthopnea**
- **Now what?**

Question 1

What is an appropriate next step in her medical therapy?

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- B. Digoxin .125 mg od**
- C. Spironolactone 12.5 mg po od**
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Step 1

Triple Therapy for HFrEF

Patient with LVEF \leq 40% and Symptoms

Triple therapy ACEi (or ARB if ACEi intolerant), BB, MRA
Titrate to target doses or maximum tolerated evidence-based dose

Step 1

Triple Therapy for HFrEF

ACE INHIBITOR

+

B-BLOCKER

(max tolerated dose)

MRA

(max tolerated dose)

Mrs. "rEF" 4 months later after Triple Therapy Uptitration

- **Feels generally well**
 - No hospitalizations
 - More stamina, but still fatigues with ordinary activities; NYHA II
 - Describes satisfactory quality of life
 - Meds:
 1. ramipril 5 mg bid
 2. carvedilol 12.5mg bid
 3. spironolactone 12.5 bid
 - BP 114/72, HR 72, euvolemic
 - CBC normal, creat 104, K 4.3



Triple
Therapy

Question 2

What is your next move?

- A. Add ivabradine 5 mg bid**
- B. Substitute ramipril for sacubitril-valsartan 50 mg bid**
- C. Nothing; this patient feels well, is tolerating meds**



Question 2

What is your next move?

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Mortality with NYHA II Symptoms

Lower risk....but not low risk

Heart Failure Risk Calculator

MAGGIC

Meta-Analysis Global Group
in Chronic Heart Failure

Integer score: 14
Risk of dying within 1 year: 5.8%
Risk of dying within 3 years: 14.6%
The patient is in the 1 st to 2 nd decile of risk in a heart failure population.

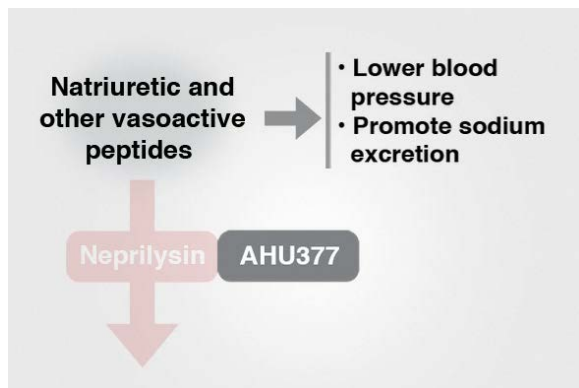
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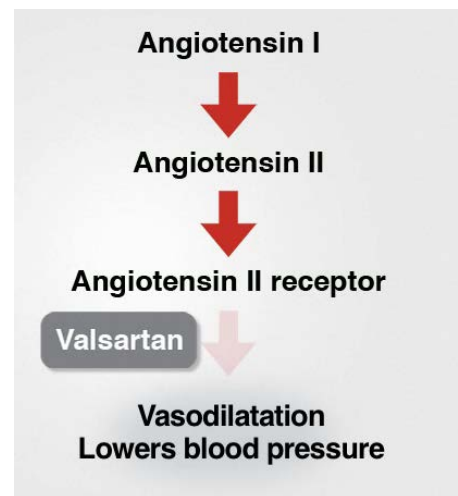
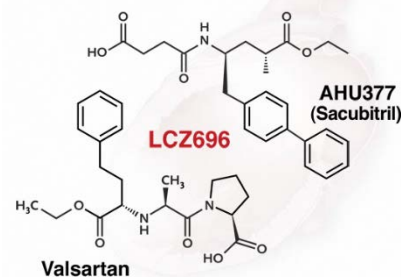
New Therapies for HFrEF: Sacubitril-Valsartan

PARADIGM-HF: Sac-Va/ARNI

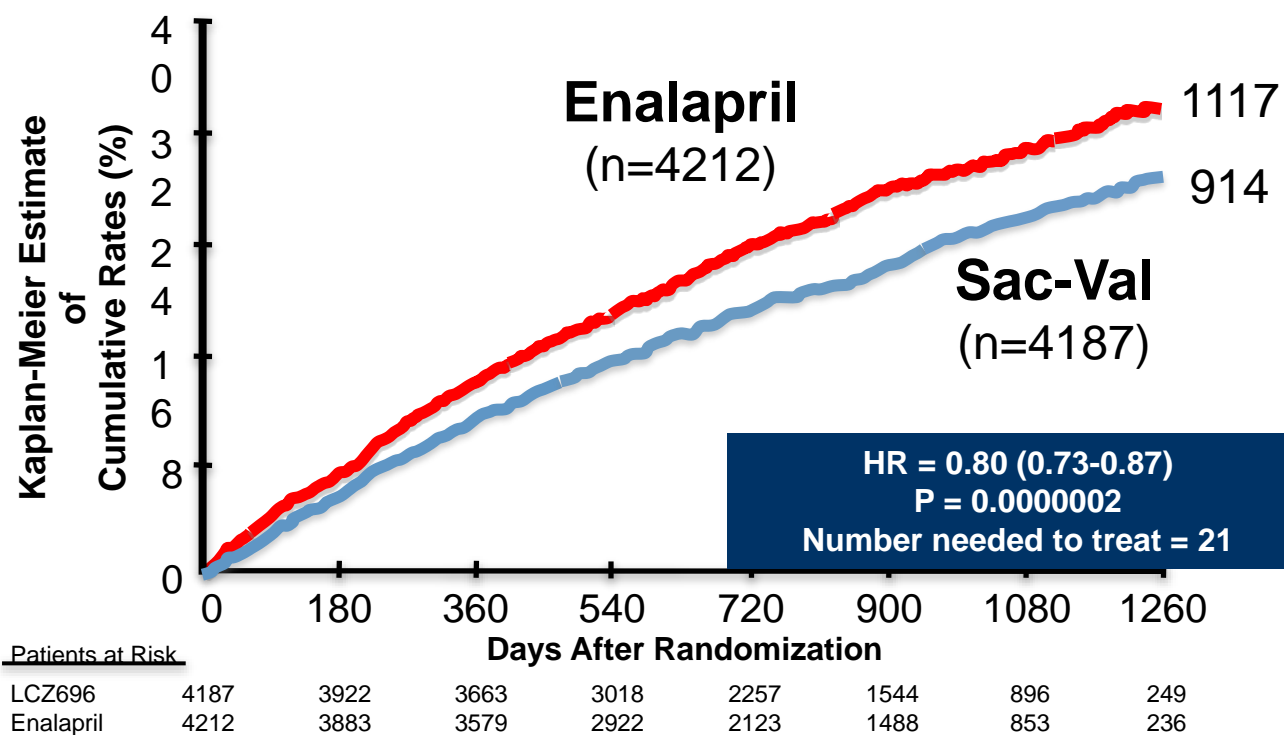
Prospective Comparison of ARNI
[Angiotensin Receptor–Neprilysin Inhibitor]
with ACEI to Determine Impact on Global
Mortality



Angiotensin receptor–neprilysin inhibition



PARADIGM-HF: Primary endpoint (CV death or HF hospitalization)



How to Switch High Dose + Low Dose RAAS to Sacubitril-Valsartan in "Real Life"

Converting to LCZ696:¹

- **FROM ACEI:** Stop ACEI, **wait at least 36 h** after last dose (↑ risk of angioedema), then start
- **FROM ARB:** Stop ARB, no washout period necessary, start when next dose would have been due

Initial dose and titration:^{1,3,4}

High dose RAAS inhibitor		Initial Dose	Titration
ACEI	ARB		
Enalapril ≥10mg/d lisinopril ≥10 mg/d perindopril ≥4 mg/d ramipril ≥5 mg/d	candesartan ≥16mg/d irbesartan ≥150 mg/d losartan ≥50 mg/d olmesartan ≥10 mg/d telmisartan ≥40 mg/d valsartan ≥160 mg/d	100 mg PO BID³	Increase in 3-6 weeks to target 200 mg PO BID ^{3,4}
Low dose RAAS inhibitor		*50 - 100mg PO BID^{1,4}	Over 6 weeks , increase to target 200 mg PO BID ⁴
RAAS naïve			
Higher risk of hypotension (eg. low baseline SBP)			

* Note: little data available using the 50 mg BID dose. PARADIGM had an option to down-titrate to 50mg BID, but no data was reported on the frequency of use.³ TITRATION used 50mg BID as the starting dose for all patients (n=429). Few were RAAS naïve n = 30.⁴

2017 Recommendation: ARNI

- **We recommend that an ARNI be used in place of an ACEi or ARB, in patients with HFrEF, that remain symptomatic despite treatment with appropriate doses of GDMT in order to decrease cardiovascular death, HF hospitalization and symptoms**

(Strong Recommendation, High Quality Evidence)

- **Practical tips:**
 - Drug tolerability, side effects and laboratory monitoring with use of ARNIs is similar to that of ACEi or ARB
 - PARADIGM-HF excluded patients with a serum K > 5.2 and eGFR < 30 and SBP < 100 mmHg
 - ACEi (not ARB) require a washout period of 36 hours to decrease the risk of angioedema

Mrs. "rEF" Next Follow Up: 3 Months

- **Feels 'ok;' but fatigues easily, persistent NYHA 2 symptoms**
- **Meds:**
 1. **carvedilol 12.5 mg bid**
 2. **spironolactone 12.5 mg bid**
 3. **sacubitril-valsartan 100 mg bid**
- **BP 100/70, HR 84, euvolemic**
- **BNP 185, CBC normal, creat 104, K 4.3**

Question 3

What is your next move?

- A. Add ivabradine 5 mg bid**
- B. Reassess LVEF**
- C. Refer for ICD**



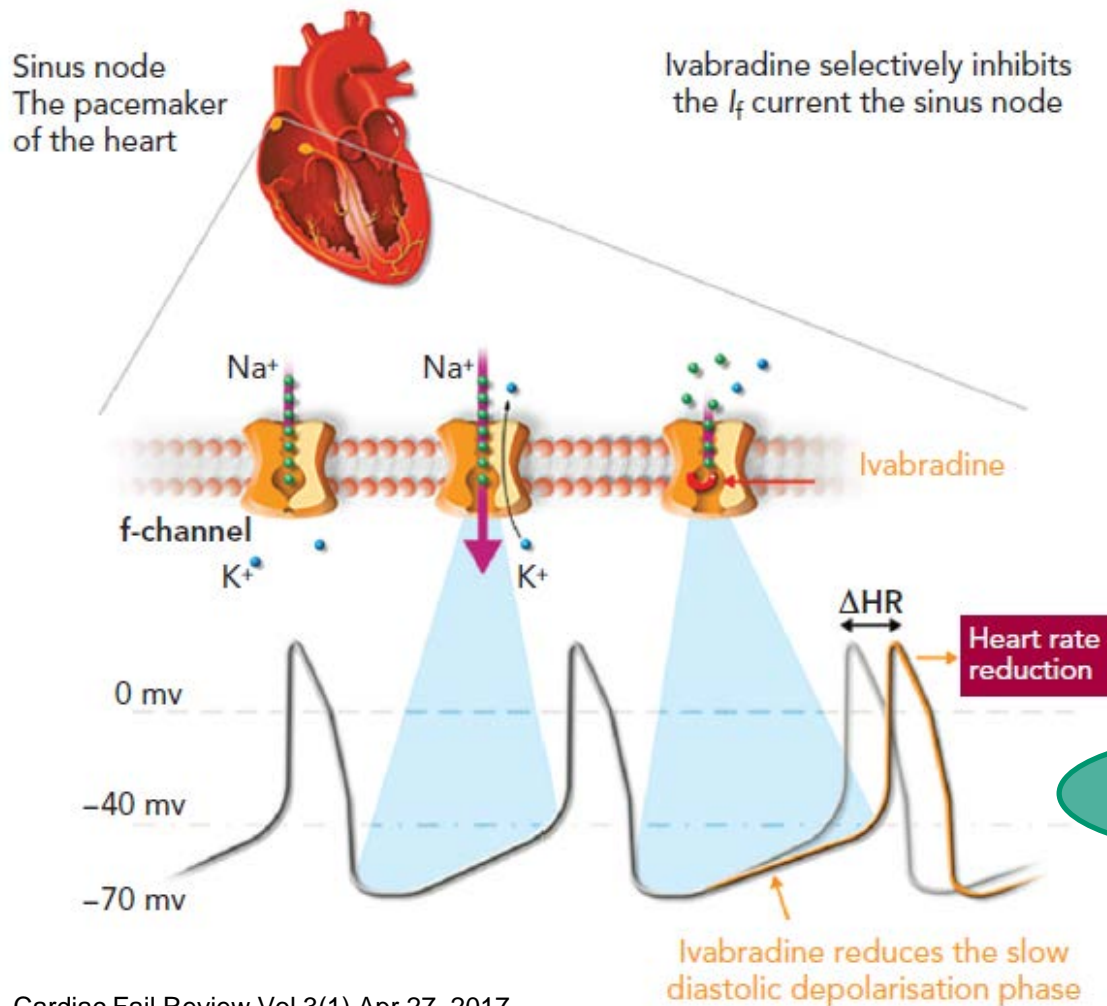
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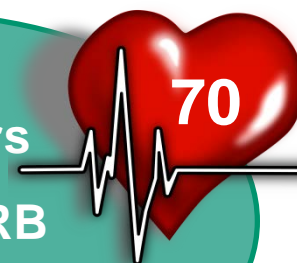


New Therapies for HFrEF: Ivabradine



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90% B blockers
91% Ace or ARB
60% Aldactone



ivabradine

placebo

Effects of Ivabradine on Primary and Secondary Endpoints in the SHIFT Study

	Ivabradine group (n=3241)	Placebo group (n=3264)	HR (95% CI)	p value
Primary endpoint				
Cardiovascular death or hospital admission for worsening heart failure	793 (25%)	937 (29%)	0.82 (0.75-0.90)	<0.0001
Mortality endpoints				
All-cause mortality	503 (16%)	552 (17%)	0.90 (0.80-1.02)	0.092
Cardiovascular mortality	449 (14%)	491 (15%)	0.91 (0.80-1.03)	0.128
Death from heart failure	113 (3%)	151 (5%)	0.74 (0.58-0.94)	0.014
Other endpoints				
Hospital admission for worsening heart failure	514 (16%)	672 (21%)	0.74 (0.66-0.83)	<0.0001
Any cardiovascular hospital admission	977 (30%)	1122 (34%)	0.85 (0.78-0.92)	0.0002
Data are number of first events (%), hazard ratio (HR; 95% CI), and p values.				

- **Ivabradine resulted in 18% reduction in the primary end point**
- **Effect mainly driven by reduction in hospital admissions for worsening HF (26%) and deaths due to HF (26%)**

2017 Recommendation: Ivabradine

- **We recommend that ivabradine be considered in patients with HFrEF, who remain symptomatic despite treatment with appropriate doses of GDMT with a resting HR > 70 BPM, in sinus rhythm and a prior HF hospitalization within 12 months, for the prevention of cardiovascular death and HF hospitalization**

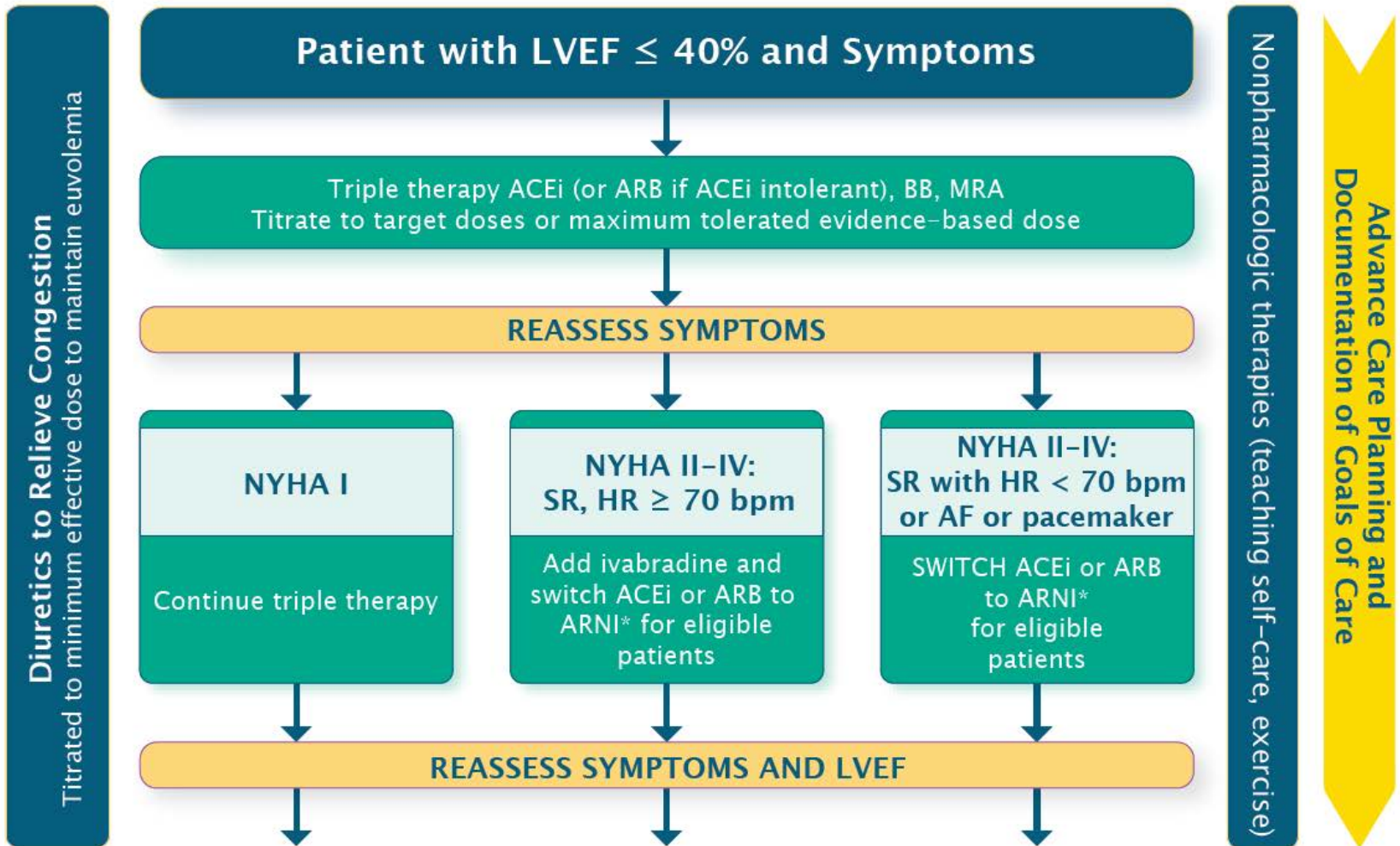
(Strong Recommendation, Moderate Quality Evidence)

- **Practical tips:**
 - Every effort should be made to achieve target or maximally tolerated doses of beta-blockers prior to initiation of ivabradine
 - Ivabradine has no effect on BP or myocardial contractility

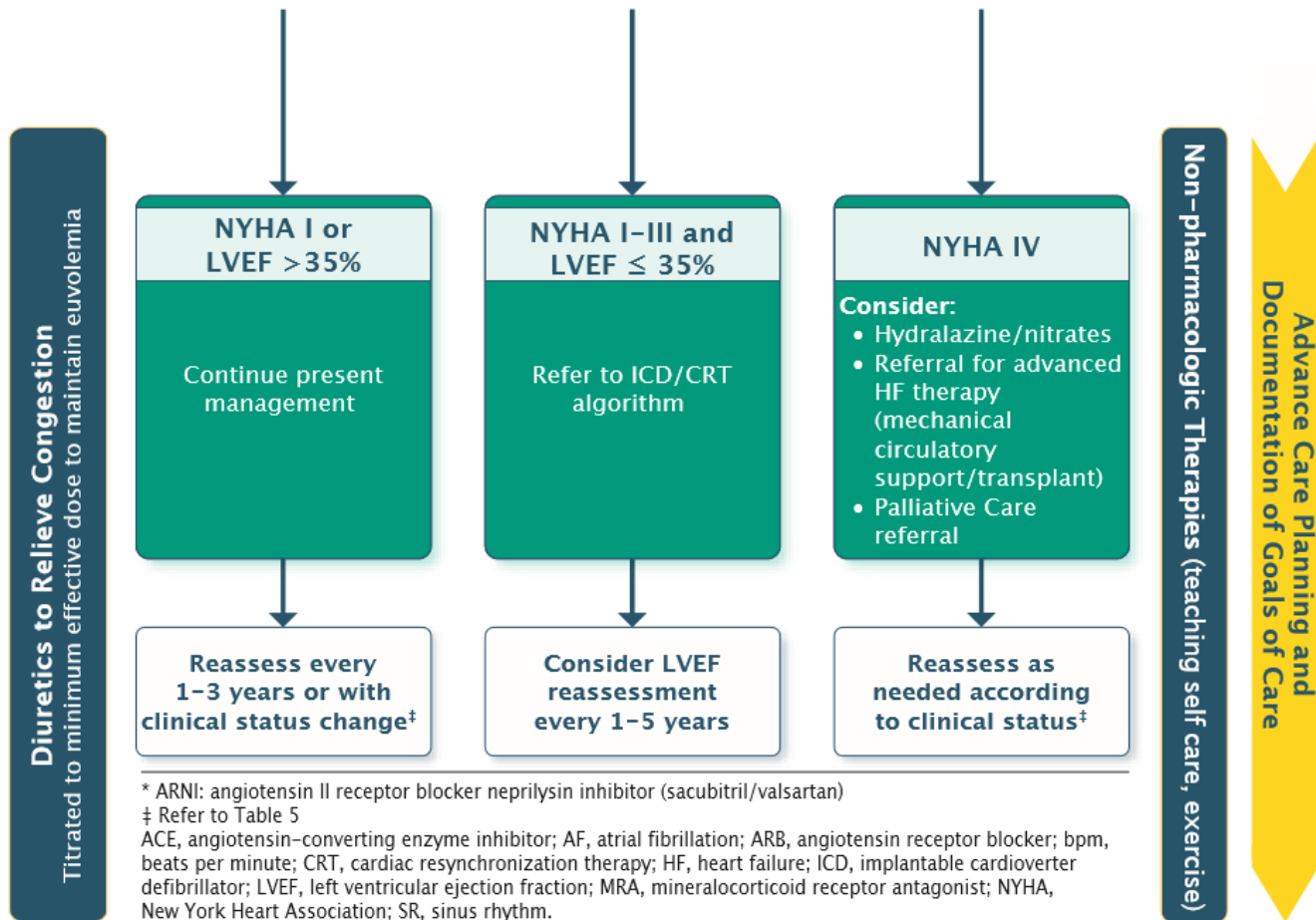
Comparison: Ivabradine vs Sacubitril-Valsartan

- **Ivabradine**
- **Add on therapy**
 - Little evidence for de novo HF
 - Need BB titrated first
 - Indicated for those in NSR and HR >70 bpm
 - Limited by bradycardia, fatigue
 - Not affected by BP, creatinine
 - Other side effects less common
 - One titration (5, 7.5 bid) at 2 week interval
- **Sacubitril-Valsartan**
- **Replacement for ACE/ARB**
 - Little evidence for de novo HF
 - Needs ACE/ARB first (for now)
 - Indicated for those on ACE/ARB and ↑ BNP (if available)
 - Limited by hypotension, creatinine, potassium
 - Not affected by HR
 - Other side effects not common
 - Two titrations (50, 100, 200 bid) for 6-12 weeks

Therapeutic Approach to Patients With HFrEF



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Heart Failure Zones

EVERY DAY

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- Weigh yourself in the morning before breakfast. Write it down. Compare your weight today to your weight yesterday.
- Keep the total amount of fluids you drink to only 6 to 8 glasses each day. (6-8 glasses equals 1500-2000 mL or 48-64 oz)

- Take your medicine exactly how your doctor said.
- Check for swelling in your feet, ankles, legs, and stomach.
- Eat foods that are low in salt or salt-free.
- Balance activity and rest periods.



Which zone are you in today?

GREEN SAFE ZONE

ALL CLEAR – This zone is your goal!

Your symptoms are under control. You have:

- No shortness of breath.
- No chest discomfort, pressure, or pain.
- No swelling or increase in swelling of your feet, ankles, legs, or stomach.
- No weight gain of more than 4 lbs (2 kg) over 2 days in a row or 5 lbs (2.5 kg) in 1 week.



YELLOW CAUTION ZONE

CAUTION – This zone is a warning

Call your Health Care provider (eg. Doctor, nurse) if you have any of the following:

- You gain more than 4 lbs (2 kg) over 2 days in a row or 5 lbs (2.5 kg) in 1 week.
- You have vomiting and/or diarrhea that lasts more than 2 days.
- You feel more short of breath than usual.
- You have increased swelling in your feet, ankles, legs, or stomach.
- You have a dry hacking cough.
- You feel more tired and don't have the energy to do daily activities.
- You feel lightheaded or dizzy, and this is new for you.
- You feel uneasy, like something does not feel right.
- You find it harder for you to breathe when you are lying down.
- You find it easier to sleep by adding pillows or sitting up in a chair.



Healthcare Provider: _____ Phone Number: _____

RED DANGER ZONE

EMERGENCY – This zone means act fast!

Go to emergency room or call 9-1-1 if you have any of the following:

- You are struggling to breathe.
- Your shortness of breath does not go away while sitting still.
- You have a fast heartbeat that does not slow down when you rest.
- You have chest pain that does not go away with rest or with medicine.
- You are having trouble thinking clearly or are feeling confused.
- You have fainted.



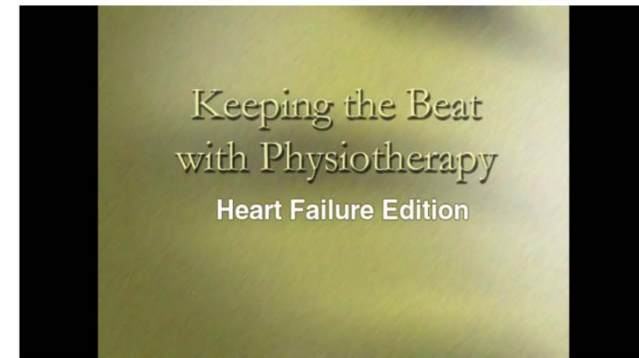
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1500 HF admissions as MRD

C Referral Criteria

Referral Criteria:

Must have documented ejection fraction (EF) or radiographically proven heart failure (HF) and one of the following:

1. Persistent NYHA 3-4 symptoms; or
2. NYHA 2 + at least 2 hospital admissions or emergency room (ER) visits in past year for decompensated HF; or
3. NYHA 2 + 1 hospital admission or ER visit for decompensated HF and with a significant comorbidity (eg. Chronic Kidney Disease, arrhythmia, COPD) specify comorbidity _____; or
4. Special request by Internal Medicine or Cardiologist for advanced HF or complex cases

Type/Etiology of HF (Please place an "X")

- HFrEF (EF ≤ 40%)
 - Ischemic Non Ischemic
- HFpEF (EF > 50%)
- HF mid range EF (EF 41 - 50%)
- Hypertrophic
- Other (specify): _____

We require the following information to process this referral

- Completed referral form
- Cardiac history (ie. Hospital admission note and discharge summary)
- Most recent Electrocardiogram
- Most recent lab work
- Relevant diagnostic test results (ie. Echocardiogram, MUGA, angiogram, Chest X-ray)
- Medications

Please place an "X" Functional Class (NYHA)

- Class 1** No limitation of physical activity.
- Class 2** Slight limitation of physical activity.
- Class 3** Marked limitation of physical activity.
- Class 4** Symptoms at rest.

EF _____ % **Date**

D	D	M	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y	

Method _____

Dates of HF hospitalization

D	D	M	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y	

D	D	M	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y	

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Dates of ER visits

D	D	M	M	M	Y	Y	Y	Y	

Facility
