

Caring for A Loved One with Heart Failure

Being a supportive advocate for a loved one with heart failure goes a long way in helping with their battle against the disease. And stepping up into that role is easier than you might think.

A crucial way you can help is by becoming as knowledgeable as possible about the condition. This will empower you to have more productive, effective conversations with their health care professional.

Questions to Ask Their Cardiologist:

- What's the diagnosis? Is the heart failure mild? Moderate? Severe?
- What should we expect within the next few weeks, months and years?
- How is the condition likely to progress?
- What are some specific ways that their daily life will change?
- What are the three most important things my family can do to manage this condition?
- What strategies have other patients found helpful in motivating themselves to eat better, exercise, stop smoking and make other lifestyle changes?
- Is there some way to minimize the side effects of medications?
- What if my health insurance plan doesn't cover the treatment or medication you recommend?
- How often should we be coming in for checkups?

When caring for a loved one with heart failure, the most important thing to remember is that you are never alone. CorsoCare can help you and your loved one manage and treat heart failure every step of the way.

For more information on heart failure and how CorsoCare can support you and your loved one, call us at 248-438-8535.