

### Heart Failure Awareness Days 2018

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# Heart Failure Awareness Week 7-13 May 2018



In the Southern and Central District of Israel, numerous activities were performed on the occasion of the Heart Failure Awareness Week 2018

#### These activities included the following:

#### Public activities within the framework of the municipalities:

- March for health with heart failure patients and families in city center
- Illuminate prominent buildings with a picture of a heart

#### Activity in shopping centers to promote health by medical staff:

- Stalls with flyers on heart health, blood pressure and other risk factors.
- Spot blood sugar and blood pressure measurements tests

#### Lectures / Seminars for heart failure patients and families and the Public:

- Anatomy of the heart, heart disease and heart failure
- Lectures on nutrition, physical activity, patient's rights, national insurance.

#### Activities in schools in collaboration Ministry of Education & local authorities:

- Elementary schools competition of heart paintings or slogans about heart health
- High schools projects on heart health, heart disease.

#### Communication and advertising on heart failure and heart health:

- Newspapers: local and national
- Radio: Advertisements about events and interviews of patients, doctors.
- Facebook site of the municipality and hospitals
- Posters on the heart failure awareness week to Heart Institutes, heart failure centers and clinics of all the Health Medical Organizations

Public survey of heart failure: Filled in at stalls in shopping centers



# Public activities within the framework of the municipalities



- A march for health with heart failure patients and families in city center
  - A group of patients with heart failure together with the staff of the local heart failure Unit participated in a symbolic walk during a popular night race in Be'er Sheva.







## Public activities within the framework of the municipalities



#### Illuminate prominent building with a picture of a heart

 In honor of the public heart failure walking event, a central shopping mall – the Azrieli Mall was illuminated with the slogan for the awareness week:

"Everything for your heart".
The slogan was screened at the mall throughout the week.







## Activity in shopping centers to promote health by medical staff



 Stalls with flyers on heart health, blood pressure and other risk factors.

 At a central shopping center (the Grand Canyon) stalls with information on heart disease, heart failure and diseases leading to heart problems were opened during the week.











## Activity in shopping centers to promote health by medical staff



Spot blood sugar, blood pressure, BMI, CO for smokers

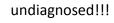
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BP, sugar, weight, height and BMI were measured and guidance was given on the importance of a healthy lifestyle, including proper nutrition and the importance of physical activity with demonstration by a physiotherapist and recommendation on the importance of continued follow-up at their local clinic.

• All those tested (~160) were given a card with the measurements to take to their general practitioner.

3 people were found to have diabetes, 7 with high BP, all previously







## Lectures / Seminars for heart failure patients and families and the public



 Lectures on the anatomy of the heart, heart disease and heart failure, nutrition, physical activity, patients' rights, national insurance.

- A seminar was held for patients with heart failure and their families at a clinic in the Bedouin town of Rahat, including all the clinics in Rahat. About 50 attended.
- Lectures were given by a cardiologist, nurses, clinical pharmacist, and dietician, on the nursing aspect of heart failure, the important aspects of medication, and an overview of the importance of nutrition and its contribution to disease management.



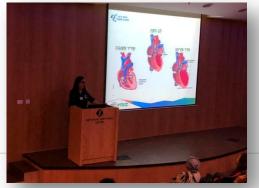


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- A seminar in Soroka University Hospital for patients with heart failure (from the community and Soroka) and their spouses. About 100 people participated in the seminar.
- Lectures were given by cardiologists on anatomy of the heart, heart disease and heart failure, cardiac rehabilitation and the importance of physical activity, heart failure nutrition by a dietitian, nursing aspects in heart failure by regional heart failure coordinator, and the rights of patients with heart failure by the director of social services in the district.









### Lectures / Seminars for heart failure patients and families and the public:



- A heart failure awareness day with lectures on heart failure, its prevention and related topics to HF patients and the public was organized at Hadassah University Hospital with over a 100 patients and their families attending.
- The lectures included HF related educational subjects, drug therapy, nutrition, physical activity, psychological guidance and patient rights. In addition, a guided physical activity work-out session by physiotherapists for the public to increase a healthier life style and physical activity



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- A seminar was held at a central clinic in Ashkelon for patients suffering from heart failure and their families / spouses. About 50 patients participated.
- Lectures were given by a cardiologist, on heart disease, heart failure and treatment, cardiac rehabilitation and the importance of physical activity, a nurse explained important aspects of nursing with regard to HF, and the rights of patients with heart failure were detailed by a social worker. A pharmacist also explained important aspects of drug therapy and a dietician on the central role of correct nutrition in the control of HF.







## Activities in schools in collaboration Ministry of Education and local authorities:

Elementary schools - Competition of heart paintings and slogans about heart health

- Numerous educational activities regarding a healthy way of life to preserve the heart and prevent heart disease were held at the Gil Rabin elementary school in the development town of Sderot.
- Medical students gave talks to pupils on the dangers of smoking and about proper nutrition.
- A physiotherapist gave a talk on the importance of physical activity, and the children participated in various games for fun.

A drawing competition was held between classes on the healthy activities. At the end of the day, a ceremony was held with the participation of all the teachers and the principal of the school, where the children presented the works.







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## Activities in schools in collaboration Ministry of Education and local authorities:

High schools - lectures on heart health and heart disease.

• A lecture was given by cardiologist at the Rahat High School on Heart Disease, in the Bedouin town of Rahat.









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### Seminars for medical personnel on heart failure



- A seminar was held for teams of family doctors and nurses on the subject of updating and deepening knowledge in the field of heart failure. Beer Sheva administration + southern Negev. Total 48 staff participated.
- Two similar seminars are planned for various administrations, as a continuation of public relations activities.









#### Media exposure



Numerous media reports and interviews were conducted regarding the heart failure activities.

- Radio interview 26/4/2018 on Radio South about the walk
- Report in Beer Sheva Facebook page about the walk 1/5/2018
   https://m.facebook.com/story.php?story\_fbid=1791963060850047&id=105385629507807
- Beer Sheva web page about walk 2/5/2018 https://b7net.co.il/mobile/article/284899/2
- Radio interview on Reshet Bet about HF awareness week 6/5/2018
- TV interview on Arabic news 10/5/2018 (on day of lectures to high school in Rahat)
- Newspaper article on HF awareness week 10/5/2018 https://www.sheva7.co.il/health/115785/#.WvVeWyhfr5Q.whatsapp

