Syncope (Fainting) When To Go To The Emergency Room

- Syncope occurs when the heart does not pump enough oxygenated blood to the brain
- Syncope is a common reason for ER visits

Low risk (Vasovagal)

High risk (Cardiac)



Vasovagal syncope rarely requires medical treatment



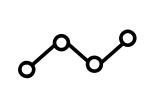
Cardiac syncope is caused by certain heart conditions and requires medical evaluation



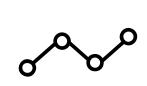
Occurs after sitting or standing for a long time (at church or at a ball game)



Occurs during exercise or exertion



Preceded by warmth, lightheadedness, or tunnel vision



Preceded by palpitations



Triggered by pain, emotion, cough, or urination



Family history of heart disease or sudden death

Source: https://www.heart.org/en/health-topics/arrhythmia/symptoms-diagnosis--monitoring-of-arrhythmia/syncope-fainting

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