

## **HEAT STROKE**

Warning Signs & Treatments

## Warning Signs

- Intense headache
- Light headed or dizzy
- Red, hot, and dry skin
- Body not sweating even though it is hot
- Weak muscles or muscle cramps
- Nauseated and vomiting
- Unconsciousness
- Fast heartbeat that can be strong or weak
- Fast, shallow breathing
- Seizures
- Changes in behavior (confusion, disorientation, or staggering)

## Treatments

- First things first either call 911 or take the person to the hospital
- While waiting for medical assistance:
  - Take persons temperature
  - Cool person off with water hose or wet cloths
  - Use ice packs on persons body
  - Put person in a cool bath or shower
  - If it is an exertional heat stroke, and the person is young and healthy, you can put them in an ice bath
  - Avoid ice baths with children and the elderly