

Heart Patients! IMPROVE YOUR LIFE WITH NON-INVASIVE BREAKTHROUGH

She had bypass surgery first in 1995 and then again in 2005. Even though she had undergone these intense medical treatments, walking outside to get the mail produced shortness of breath and chest pain. She was drained of energy all the time and honestly thought her life had come to an end...

He had stents placed eight years ago. However, like many diabetics, his grafts closed again. Since he wasn't a candidate for additional surgery or angioplasty, and he felt there was nothing that could be done. He went home, took his medicine and prayed he would make it another day.

Have you ever known anyone who had stenting or bypass surgery but still suffered from chronic fatigue and angina: it's not all that uncommon. The good news is that a non-invasive alternative is greatly reducing angina as well as giving heart patients more energy and maybe

even a new lease on life. It's called external counterpulsation or *ECP*

"*ECP* isn't some unproven treatment," says Harcharn S. Chann, M.D., of Cardiac Care Physicians Medical Group. "Published studies demonstrate how it has helped thousands of patients lessen angina and significantly replenish the heart with oxygen."

The heart needs a rich supply of oxygen that, in a healthy heart, comes from incoming blood through the coronary arteries. When these arteries become narrowed, though, the area of the heart that is not receiving the proper blood flow responds with a very painful signal called angina —

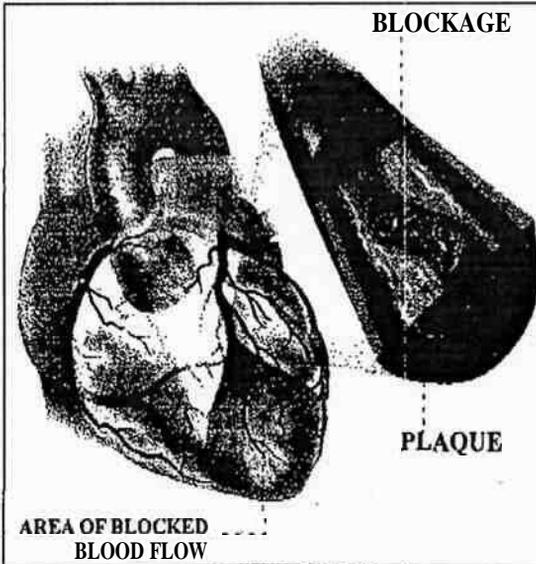
the number one disease in the U.S.

ECP stimulates the (ormation of small, branch blood vessels. These 'collaterals' create a bypass around a blocked artery and start supplying the heart with more oxygen as well as reduce angina, *ECP* patients very often experience a greater ability to exercise, less required medication, less progression of cardiac failure, a decrease in heart size, less ventricular fibrillation and a reduction or elimination of shock symptoms.

The *ECP* procedure doesn't hurt and is completely non-invasive. It involves inflatable rings fitted snugly around the calves and upper thighs. These structures are inflated during the resting phase of the heart (diastole). After a series of 30 to 45 minute sessions,

patients feel much better.

Cardiac Care Physicians Medical Group offers *ECP* to those who want to avoid bypass or stenting as well as those who have undergone invasive heart surgery and still suffer from angina or other symptoms.



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