National STROKE Association™

STROKE STOPS BLOOD FROM GETTING TO THE BRAIN. IT CAN BE DISASTROUS.

Stroke kills **twice** as many women each year than breast cancer.

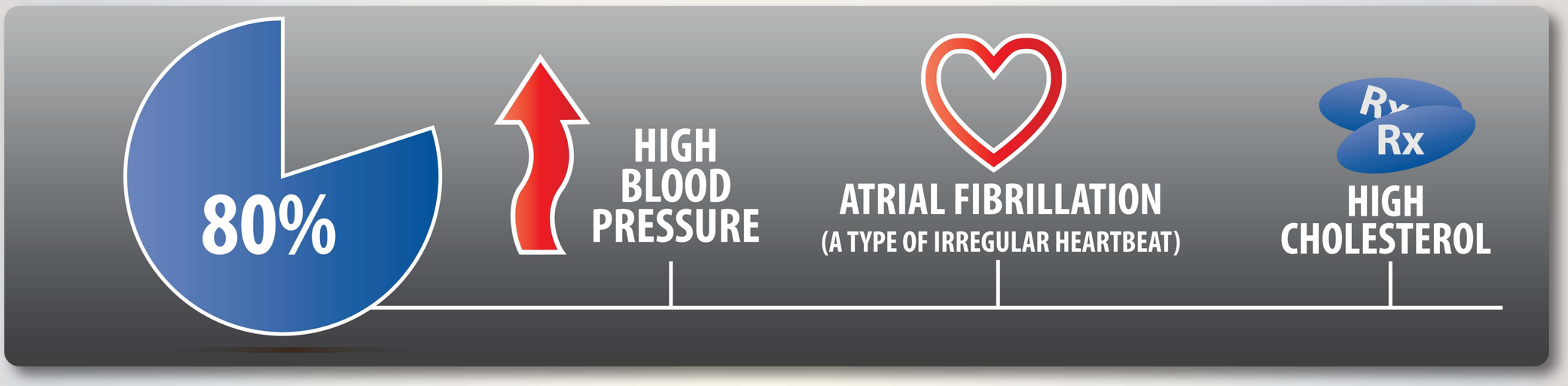
Strokes in children are increasing at an alarming rate—up 50% among young boys over 12 years.

The average stroke patient pays more than **$140,000** in lifetime medical bills.

Every **40 seconds** someone in the U.S. has a stroke—nearly 800,000 in 2012.

GOOD NEWS

UP TO 80% OF STROKES CAN BE PREVENTED BY CONTROLLING RISK FACTORS LIKE:



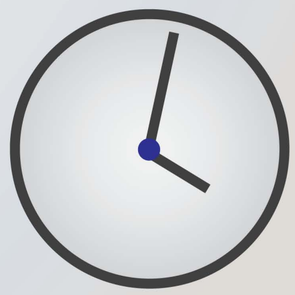
TAKE THE FAST TEST TO IDENTIFY COMMON STROKE WARNING SIGNS.

WHEN STROKE HITS, LONG-TERM DISABILITY CAN BE SIGNIFICANTLY CUT IF YOU GET MEDICAL CARE **FAST**.

Face droops on one side.

Arms drift downward when raised.

Speech is slurred.



Time is critical. **Call 9-1-1 IMMEDIATELY.**

A severe headache with no known cause is another key warning sign of a stroke.

Learn about more sudden signs of stroke @ **www.stroke.org**