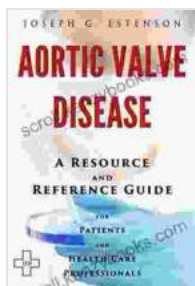


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Aortic valve disease is a serious condition that affects the heart's aortic valve. The aortic valve is responsible for controlling blood flow from the heart to the body. When the aortic valve is diseased, it can lead to a variety of symptoms, including chest pain, shortness of breath, and fatigue.

There are two main types of aortic valve disease: aortic valve stenosis and aortic valve regurgitation.

- **Aortic valve stenosis** occurs when the aortic valve becomes narrowed, which restricts blood flow from the heart to the body.

- **Aortic valve regurgitation** occurs when the aortic valve does not close properly, which allows blood to leak back into the heart.

Aortic valve disease can be caused by a variety of factors, including:

- Aging
- Congenital heart defects
- Rheumatic fever
- Endocarditis
- Calcium deposits

The symptoms of aortic valve disease can vary depending on the severity of the condition. Some people may experience only mild symptoms, while others may experience severe symptoms that can interfere with their daily activities.

Common symptoms of aortic valve disease include:

- Chest pain
- Shortness of breath
- Fatigue
- Lightheadedness
- Dizziness
- Palpitations
- Swelling in the legs, ankles, and feet

If you are experiencing any of these symptoms, it is important to see your doctor for an evaluation. Early diagnosis and treatment of aortic valve disease can help to prevent serious complications.

Diagnosis of Aortic Valve Disease

The diagnosis of aortic valve disease begins with a physical examination and a review of your medical history. Your doctor will listen to your heart for any abnormal sounds, such as a heart murmur. He or she will also check for signs of heart failure, such as swelling in the legs, ankles, and feet.

Your doctor may Free Download one or more of the following tests to confirm the diagnosis of aortic valve disease:

- **Echocardiogram:** An echocardiogram is an ultrasound of the heart. This test can show the structure and function of the aortic valve.
- **Chest X-ray:** A chest X-ray can show the size and shape of the heart. This test can also show signs of heart failure, such as fluid in the lungs.
- **Electrocardiogram:** An electrocardiogram (ECG) is a recording of the heart's electrical activity. This test can show signs of heart disease, such as arrhythmias.
- **Cardiac catheterization:** Cardiac catheterization is a procedure that involves threading a thin tube into the heart. This test can measure the pressure in the heart and the flow of blood through the aortic valve.

Treatment of Aortic Valve Disease

The treatment of aortic valve disease depends on the severity of the condition. Some people with mild aortic valve disease may not need any

treatment. However, people with moderate to severe aortic valve disease will need surgery to repair or replace the aortic valve.

There are two main types of aortic valve surgery:

- **Aortic valve repair:** Aortic valve repair is a procedure that involves repairing the damaged aortic valve. This is usually only possible if the aortic valve is not too severely damaged.
- **Aortic valve replacement:** Aortic valve replacement is a procedure that involves replacing the damaged aortic valve with a new valve. This is the most common type of aortic valve surgery.

Aortic valve surgery is a major operation, but it is usually successful. Most people who have aortic valve surgery experience significant improvement in their symptoms. However, there are some risks associated with aortic valve surgery, such as bleeding, infection, and stroke.

Management of Aortic Valve Disease

After aortic valve surgery, you will need to take steps to manage your condition. These steps may include:

- Taking medication to prevent blood clots
- Taking medication to lower blood pressure
- Eating a healthy diet
- Getting regular exercise
- Quitting smoking
- Seeing your doctor for regular follow-up visits

By following these steps, you can help to prevent complications from aortic valve disease and improve your overall health.

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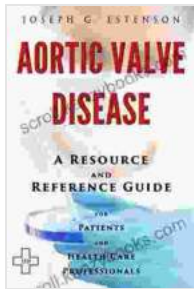
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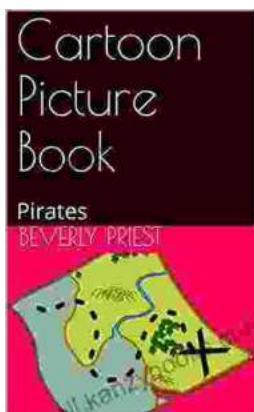
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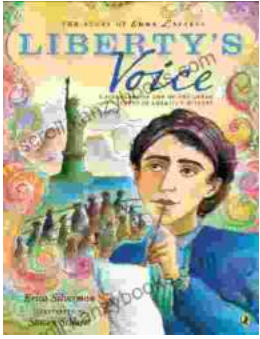
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