Obstructive Sleep Apnea

about



million American adults have sleep or wakefulness disorder.















sleep apnea Is associated with







asthma



acid reflux



high blood pressure











Obstructive Sleep Apnea is the cessation of air flow into the lungs for at least 10 seconds, while hypopnea is a decrease in airflow that occurs during sleeping.

Obstructive Sleep Apnea Screenings

Epworth Sleepiness Scale

STOP-BANG Questionnaire

would never doze

slight chance of dozing

moderate chance of dozing

high chance of dozing

snoring lonql^;

BMI > 35?

tired

daytime sleepiness?

age over 50?

has anyone observed you stop

breathing while you are asleep?

neck circumference > 15.75 in?

treated for high blood pressure?

gender male?

ORAL MANIFESTATIONS

bruxism

worn, chipped, cracked teeth

scalloped or

narrow palate

dry mouth

treatment



Oral appliances help prevent the collapse of the tongue and soft tissues in the back of the throat, keeping the airway open during sleep and promoting adequate air intake.



CPAP, or continuous positive airway pressure, is a treatment that uses mild air pressure to keep the airways open.



