



More than 50 percent of people suffering from chest pain either drove themselves or had someone drive them to the hospital rather than calling 911.

Global Medical Response recommends that instead of reaching for the car keys, pick up the phone and dial 911 for professional medical care and transport.

**It's a phone call that could save your life, especially if you are experiencing any of the warning signs of a heart attack including:**



Chest pain



Sweating for no  
apparent reason



Shortness  
of breath



Discomfort in the  
arm, back or jaw

**Emergency crews  
can begin vital  
diagnostic tests and  
medical treatment  
for heart problems  
and can continue  
the treatment while  
en-route to the  
hospital.**

If a patient's heart stops, the crew can use a defibrillator on board the ambulance and can start cardiac arrest treatments immediately.