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Speaker 1: 00:01 Quality Improvement in the Time of COVID-19 is brought to you
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worldwide struggle to understand the COVID-19 pandemic, the
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factors tied to adverse cardiovascular outcomes. For more
information, visit us at heart.org/covidregistry.
Christina Razo: 00:33 Hi, I'm Christina Razo with the American Heart Association. I'm
the director of health equity strategies, and I'm very privileged
today to speak with Dr. Hendren, who's going to do a deep dive
into the association of body mass index with death, mechanical
ventilation and cardiovascular outcomes and COVID-19, findings
from the AHA COVID-19 Cardiovascular Disease Registry. Thanks
for joining us, Dr. Hendren. Can you tell us a little bit about the
overall aim that you had in doing this particular study?
Dr. Hendren: 00:59 Absolutely. Well, thank you again for having me and a pleasure
to be here. This is one of my favorite pieces of research that I've
been involved with, and it really stemmed from the

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 And so the level of detail and the refinement of the questions
you're able to ask is much better and much more precise
perhaps than a lot of other ways in which you might try to get at
some of these questions. And then the second thing is really
again, because it does capture so many things and capture so
many patients across the country, you're not just looking at one
hospital or five hospitals, you're really getting a real-time
snapshot of what is happening across the country, across a very
diverse background of patients, again, we touched on earlier
how we have Latin Americans and people from Central America
and then obviously white Americans too. And you can really
look across many of the racial and ethnic groups in our country
and look by men and women to try and refine that question.
Look at some of the more granular questions that we hai4.3 (s)-4.3 han.217 TD6 (t)-3 (o)-6.5 ( )-11.2 (an)2.2 9we bontC.s-