HEDIS® Tip Sheet

Controlling High Blood Pressure (CBP)



CarePartners of Connecticut's HEDIS Tip Sheets offer insights into specific HEDIS measures. These best practices and tips can optimize HEDIS scores and identify opportunities to improve patient care.

The CBP measure assesses adults age 18-85 who had a diagnosis of hypertension and whose blood pressure was adequately controlled (< 140/90 mm Hg) during the year.





Provider Best Practices

- Educate patients on the importance of taking medications as prescribed, smoking cessation, physical activity and eating a low-sodium diet.
- Contact patients who miss or cancel appointments to reschedule.
- Document blood pressure (BP) at every visit.
 - Advise the patient to rest for at least 5 minutes before taking BP.
 - Ensure patient is seated with feet on the floor, back supported and arm supported at heart level.
 - Use the proper size blood pressure cuff.
 - When using a manual blood pressure cuff, do not round up blood pressure readings.
- Repeat blood pressure at the end of the visit if initial blood pressure is ≥ 140/90.
- Document exact readings and dates of patient-reported blood pressures. Ranges are not acceptable. Remind patients that they must use a digital device when taking their blood pressure.
- **Schedule** a repeat blood pressure check prior to the end of the measure year for patients with blood pressure ≥ 140/90.
- When billing for visits, be sure to include the correct CPT II codes to reflect blood pressure readings.



Additional Resources

- The <u>American Heart Association's Professional Resources page</u> offers guidelines and resources dedicated to the treatment and prevention of cardiovascular disease.
- The <u>CDC's High Blood Pressure web page</u> includes information to support hypertension prevention, management, and education.
- The <u>American Medical Association's Hypertension page</u> supports physicians in managing their patients' high blood pressure with online tools and resources.

CPT II Codes for Blood Pressure Readings

- Blood pressure CPT II codes indicate the most recent systolic and diastolic blood pressure levels recorded.
- Please include codes on claims for office or telehealth visits.
- Use of CPT II codes reduces the need for medical record collection and review during the HEDIS hybrid season.

CPT II Code	Most Recent Systolic BP
3074F	< 130 mm Hg
3075F	130-139 mm Hg
3077F	≥ 140 mm Hg

CPT II Code	Most Recent Diastolic BP
3078F	< 80 mm Hg
3079F	80-89 mm Hg
3080F	≥ 90 mm Hg

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Did you know?

- Nearly 1 in 4 young adults aged 20-44 has high blood pressure.
- Evidence suggests that having uncontrolled high blood pressure during midlife (ages 44-66) creates a higher risk for dementia later in life.

