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Tip of the Week

Controlling High Blood Pressure

Background

In order to improve the Clinical Care for an At-Risk Population, patients aged 10-85 with a diagnosis of hypertension should have their blood pressure checked routinely to see if it meets controlled margins (<140/90). The blood pressure reading must take place in the provider's office and if no BP is recorded, the measure defaults to "not controlled."

If several readings are taken on the same day, use the lowest of the systolic readings and the lowest of the diastolic reading to document measure compliance.

How Do I Do This?

Check the Blood Pressure, repeating as necessary before the patient leaves.

Tip: Note that BPs often come down after the patient has been in the office for awhile

How Do I Get Credit?

CareScreen documentation in the Quality Registry under "Blood Pressure Screening and Follow Up"

AND

Bill using G8752 (most recent systolic BP <140)

OR G8753 (most recent systolic BP \geq 140)

AND

Bill using G8754 (most recent diastolic BP <90)

OR G8755 (most recent diastolic BP \geq 90)