

Blood Pressure Management

*This measure is to be reported at **each visit** of advanced CKD (stage 4 or 5, not receiving renal replacement therapy [RRT]) during the reporting period for all patients aged 18 years and older.*

Measure description

Percentage of patient visits for patients aged 18 years and older with a diagnosis of advanced CKD (stage 4 or 5, not receiving renal replacement therapy [RRT]), with a blood pressure < 130/80 mmHg OR blood pressure ≥ 130/80 mmHg with a documented plan of care

What will you need to report for each visit for patients with advanced CKD (stage 4 or 5, not receiving RRT) for this measure?

If you select this measure for reporting, you will report:

- Whether or not the patient has elevated blood pressure (a systolic measurement of ≥ 130 mmHg AND/OR a diastolic measurement of ≥ 80 mmHg)¹

If the patient has elevated blood pressure (as described above), you will then need to report:

- Whether or not you documented a plan of care for elevated blood pressure²

What if this process or outcome of care is not appropriate for your patient?

Some measures provide an opportunity for the physician or non-physician provider to document when a process or outcome of care is not appropriate for a given patient (also called performance exclusions). Because this measure is applicable to most if not all patients, there are no allowable performance exclusions.

¹If multiple blood pressure measurements are taken at a single visit, use the most recent measurement taken at that visit.

²A documented plan of care should include one or more of the following: recheck blood pressure at specified future date; initiate or alter pharmacologic therapy; initiate or alter non-pharmacologic therapy; documented review of patient's home blood pressure log which indicates that patient's blood pressure is or is not well controlled.