















2019 ACC/AHA Guideline on the Primary Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease





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Prevalence of HTN



The prevalence of HTN (defined as systolic blood pressure [SBP] ≥130 mm Hg or diastolic blood pressure [DBP] ≥ 80 mm Hg) among U.S. adults is 46%.

HTN accounts for more ASCVD deaths than any other modifiable ASCVD risk factor.

20-mm Hg higher SBP and 10-mm Hg higher DBP were each associated with a doubling in the risk of death from stroke, heart disease, or other vascular disease.

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Categories of Blood Pressure in Adults



| BP Category | SBP | | DBP |
|--------------|---------------|--------|-------------|
| Normal | <120 mm Hg | and | <80 mm Hg |
| Elevated | 120–129 mm Hg | and | <80 mm Hg |
| Hypertension | 82 | 31 313 | |
| Stage 1 | 130–139 mm Hg | or | 80–89 mm Hg |
| Stage 2 | ≥140 mm Hg | or | ≥90 mm Hg |

• In dividuals with SBP and DBP in 2 categories should be designated to the higher BP category.

 BP indicates blood pressure (based on an average of ≥2 careful readings obtained on ≥2 occasions, as detailed in DBP, diastolic blood pressure; and SBP systolic blood pressure.









Risk of atherosclerotic CVD (ASCVD)



ACC/AHA Pooled Cohort Equations (http://tools.acc.org/ASCVD-Risk-Estimator/) to estimate 10-year risk of atherosclerotic CVD (ASCVD)

This Equation is validated for U.S. adults ages 45 to 79 years in the absence of concurrent statin therapy .

For those older than age 79, the 10-year ASCVD risk is generally >10%









Nonpharmacological intervention



appropriate first-line therapy for adults with stage 1 hypertension who have an estimated 10-year ASCVD risk of <10%.















TABLE 7 Best Proven Nonpharmacological Interventions for Prevention and Treatment of Hypertension*

| | Nonpharmacological | | Approximate Impact on SBP | | |
|---|-----------------------|---|---------------------------|--------------|--------------------------------|
| | Intervention | Goal | Hypertension | Normotension | Reference |
| Weight loss | Weight/body fat | Best goal is ideal body weight, but aim for at least a 1-kg reduction in body weight for most adults who are overweight. Expect about 1 mm Hg for every 1-kg reduction in body weight. | -5 mm Hg | -2/3 mm Hg | (54.4-2) |
| Healthy diet | DASH dietary pattern† | Consume a diet rich in fruits, vegetables, whole grains, and low-fat dairy products, with reduced content of saturated and total fat. | -11 mm Hg | -3 mm Hg | (S4.4-7, S4.4-8) |
| Reduced intake of dietary sodium | Dietary sodium | Optimal goal is <1500 mg/d, but aim for at least a 1000-mg/d reduction in most adults. | -5/6 mm Hg | -2/3 mm Hg | (\$4.4-10, \$4.4-12) |
| Enhanced intake of dietary potassium | Dietary potassium | Aim for 3500–5000 mg/d, preferably by consumption of a diet rich in potassium. | -4/5 mm Hg | -2 mm Hg | (54.4-14) |
| Physical activity | Aerobic | 90-150 min/wk65%-75% heart rate reserve | -5/8 mm Hg | -2/4 mm Hg | (54.4-19, 54.4-20) |
| | Dynamic resistance | 90-150 min/wk 50%-80% 1 rep maximum 6 exercises, 3 sets/exercise, 10 repetitions/set | -4 mm Hg | -2 mm Hg | (S4.4-19) |
| | Isometric resistance | 4 × 2 min (hand grip), 1 min rest between exercises, 30%-40% maximum voluntary contraction, 3 sessions/wk 8-10 wk | -5 mm Hg | -4 mm Hg | (54.4-21, 54.4-78) |
| Moderation in alcohol intake | Alcohol consumption | In individuals who drink alcohol, reduce alcohol‡ to: Men: ≤2 drinks daily Women: ≤1 drink daily | -4 mm Hg | -3 mm Hg | (S4.4-20, S4.4-24, S4.4-25) |



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FIGURE 4 BP Thresholds and Recommendations for Treatment



Adherence to and impact of nonpharmacological therapy should be assessed within 3 to 6 months.









8.1.5. BP Goal for Patients With Hypertension



Recommendations for BP Goal for Patients With Hypertension

References that support recommendations are summarized in Online Data Supplement 26 and

Systematic Review Report.

| COR | LOE | Recommendations |
|-----|---------------------------|---|
| I | SBP: B-R ^{sr} | 1. For adults with confirmed hypertension and known CVD or 10-year ASCVD event risk of 10% or higher (see Section 8.1.2), a BP target of less than 130/80 |
| | DBP: | mm Hg is recommended (1-5). |
| | C-EO | |
| | SBP: | 2. For adults with confirmed hypertension, without additional markers of |
| llb | B-NR | increased CVD risk, a BP target of less than 130/80 mm Hg may be |
| | DBP: | reasonable (6-9). |
| | C-EO | |











| TABLE 4 Blood Pressure Goals in Patients With Hypertension According to Clinical Conditions | | | | |
|---|--|----------------|--|--|
| Category | ESC/ESH 2018 | AHA/ACC 2017 | | |
| Age ≥65 yrs | 130 to <140/70 to 79 mm Hg | <130/<80 mm Hg | | |
| Diabetes | Close to 130 (or lower if tolerated/ 70 to 79 mm Hg | <130/<80 mm Hg | | |
| Coronary artery disease | Close to 130 (or lower if tolerated/ 70 to 79 mm Hg | <130/<80 mm Hg | | |
| Chronic kidney disease (eGFR <60 ml/min/1.73 m ²) | 130 to <140/70 to 79 mm Hg | <130/<80 mm Hg | | |
| Post-stroke | Close to 130 (or lower if tolerated/ | <130/<80 mm Hq | | |

70 to 79 mm Hg

eGFR = estimated glomerular filtration rate; other abbreviations as in Table 1.









First line agents



8.1.6. Choice of Initial Medication

| COR | LOE | Recommendation | |
|-----|-----------------|--|--|
| l | A ^{sr} | 1. For initiation of antihypertensive drug therapy, first-line agents include thiazide diuretics, CCBs, and ACE inhibitors or ARBs. (1, 2) | |









Compelling indication



Gout: diuretics × Hypokalemia: diuretics × **BPH: diuretics ×** IHD, Arrhythmia, HF: BB 🗸 **Pregnancy: ACEI**, **ARB** ×

DM: ACEI, ARB **NSAID: CCB**

Edema: CCB ×

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9.3. Chronic Kidney Disease

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| | Recommendations for Treatment of Hypertension in Patients With CKD | | | | |
|---------|---|---|--|--|--|
| Referen | References that support recommendations are summarized in Online Data Supplements 37 and 38 | | | | |
| | | and Systematic Review Report. | | | |
| COR | LOE | Recommendations | | | |
| | SBP: | 1. Adults with hypertension and CKD should be treated to a BP goal of less than | | | |
| | B-R ^{SR} | 130/80 mm Hg (1-6). | | | |
| • | DBP: | | | | |
| | C-EO | | | | |
| | | 2. In adults with hypertension and CKD (stage 3 or higher or stage 1 or 2 with | | | |
| | | albuminuria [≥300 mg/d, or ≥300 mg/g albumin-to-creatinine ratio or the | | | |

reasonable to slow kidney disease progression (3, 7-12).

equivalent in the first morning void]), treatment with an ACE inhibitor is



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In the course of reducing intraglomerular pressure and thereby reducing albuminuria, serum creatinine may increase up to 30% because of concurrent reduction in GFR









HTN and renal transplantation

9.3.1. Hypertension After Renal Transplantation

| Re | Recommendations for Treatment of Hypertension After Renal Transplantation | | | | |
|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Reference | References that support recommendations are summarized in Online Data Supplements 39 and 40. | | | | |
| COR | LOE | Recommendations | | | |
| | SBP: | 1. After kidney transplantation, it is reasonable to treat patients with | | | |
| lla | B-NR | hypertension to a BP goal of less than 130/80 mm Hg (1). | | | |
| | DBP: | | | | |
| | C-EO | | | | |
| | | 2. After kidney transplantation, it is reasonable to treat patients with | | | |
| lla | B-R | hypertension with a calcium antagonist on the basis of improved GFR and | | | |
| | | kidney survival (2). | | | |

Most studies favor CCBs to reduce graft loss and maintain higher GFR









HTN and metabolic syndrome



β-blockers and thiazide diuretics are not recommended in hypertensive patients with multiple metabolic risk factors, due to the increased risk of DM.

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High-dose ARB therapy reduces arterial stiffness in patients with hypertension with the metabolic syndrome.







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9.8. Atrial Fibrillation

| References that support the recommendation are summarized in Online Data Supplemendation COR LOE Recommendation | nont 19 | | | |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| COR LOE Recommendation | References that support the recommendation are summarized in Online Data Supplement 48. | | | |
| | Heart | | | |
| IIa B-R 1. Treatment of hypertension with an ARB can be useful for p | evention of | | | |









HTN and aortic disease



9.10. Aortic Disease

| Reco | Recommendation for Management of Hypertension in Patients With Aortic Disease | | | |
|------|---|---|--|--|
| COR | LOE | Recommendation | | |
| I | C-EO | 1. Beta blockers are recommended as the preferred antihypertensive agents in patients with hypertension and thoracic aortic disease (1, 2). | | |









HTN and β-blockers (nonatenolol β-blockers)



1.IHD2.Arrhythmia3.HF4.Thoracic aortic disease











single-drug therapy **reasonable in the very elderly or who have a history of hypotension.**

Thiazide diuretics (especially chlorthalidone) or CCBs the best initial choice for single-drug therapy.

ACEI or ARB is not recommended as a single therapy in elderly patient because of low renin level.













| COR | LOE | RECOMMENDATIONS |
|-----|---------------------------|--|
| I. | A | 1. In adults with elevated blood pressure (BP) or hypertension, including those requiring antihypertensive medications nonpharmacological interventions are recommended to reduce BP. These include: |
| | | weight loss (54.4-2-54.4-5); a beart-bealthy diotary pattern (54.4-6-54.4-8). |
| | | sodium reduction (\$4.4-9-\$4.4-13); |
| | | dietary potassium supplementation (S4.4-14-S4.4-18); |
| | | increased physical activity with a structured exercise program (S4.4-3, S4.4-5, S4.4-11, S4.4-19-S4.4-23); and limited alcohol (S4.4-24-S4.4-29). |
| | | Adapted from recommendations in the 2017 Hypertension Clinical Practice Guidelines (S4.4-1). |
| | SBP:A | 2. In adults with an estimated 10-year ASCVD risk [*] of 10% or higher and an average systolic BP (SBP) of 130 |
| I. | DBP: C-EO | is recommended for primary prevention of CVD (\$4.4-30-\$4.4-38). |
| | | Adapted from recommendations in the 2017 Hypertension Clinical Practice Guidelines (S4.4-1). |
| | 10. | 3 In adults with confirmed hypertension and a 10-year ASCVD event risk of 10% or higher, a BP target of |
| I. | SBP: B-R ^{sr} | less than 130/80 mm Hg is recommended (54.4-33, 54.4-39-54.4-42). |
| | DBP: C-EO | Adapted from recommendations in the 2017 Hypertension Clinical Practice Guidelines (S4.4-1). |











| 1 | SBP: B-R ^{SR} DBP: C-EO | 4. In adults with hypertension and chronic kidney disease, treatment to a BP goal of less than 130/80 mm Hg is recommended (S4.4-43-S4.4-48). Adapted from recommendations in the 2017 Hypertension Clinical Practice Guidelines (S4.4-1). |
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| 1 | SBP: B-R ^{SR} DBP: C-EO | In adults with T2DM and hypertension, antihypertensive drug treatment should be initiated at a BP of 130/80 mm Hg or higher, with a treatment goal of less than 130/80 mm Hg (\$4.4-33, \$4.4-47, \$4.4-49-\$4.4-54). Adapted from recommendations in the 2017 Hypertension Clinical Practice Guidelines (\$4.4-1). |
| - I | C-LD | 6. In adults with an estimated 10-year ASCVD risk <10% and an SBP of 140 mm Hg or higher or a DBP of 90 mm Hg or higher, initiation and use of BP-lowering medication are recommended (S4.4-36, S4.4-55-S4.4-58). Adapted from recommendations in the 2017 Hypertension Clinical Practice Guidelines (S4.4-1). |
| lib | SBP: B-NR DBP: C-EO | In adults with confirmed hypertension without additional markers of increased ASCVD risk, a BP target of less than 130/80 mm Hg may be reasonable (S4.4-59-S4.4-62). Adapted from recommendations in the 2017 Hypertension Clinical Practice Guidelines (S4.4-1). |









Take home message



- 1. Nonpharmacological interventions for all patients with HTN
- 2. Decision to antihypertensive drug therapy: 1)HTN stage, 2)ASCVD score
- 3. ASCVD score: <u>http://tools.acc.org/ASCVD-Risk-Estimator</u>
- 4. No need to ASCVD score calculation: CKD, DM, age>79
- 5. BP treatment goal: less than 130/80
- 6. First line agents: ACEI or ARB, CCB, Diuretic
- **7.** HTN and <u>β-blockers</u> (nonatenolol <u>β-blockers</u>)
- 8. Compelling indication
- 9. Combination therapy except: very elderly or those at risk or who have a history of hypotension (CCB or Diuretic)









Haemodynamic Pattern in Hypertension









