



Controlling Blood Pressure

Quick Reference Guide

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MEASURE SNAPSHOT

CMS Part C Star Measure: C14 - Controlling Blood Pressure

CMS Definition: Percentage of Medicare Advantage patients aged **18-85 years with hypertension** whose blood pressure was **adequately controlled at <140/90 mm Hg** during the measurement year.¹

For PCP teams, the priority is to obtain an **accurate qualifying BP**, address persistent uncontrolled hypertension, and ensure the most recent eligible reading is captured correctly.¹

FIELD	ENTRY
CMS measure name	Controlling Blood Pressure
HEDIS measure name	Controlling High Blood Pressure (CBP)
CMS measure ID	C14
Domain	Managing Chronic (Long Term) Conditions
CMS weighting category	Intermediate Outcome Measure
Weight	3 – triple-weighted
Primary data source	HEDIS
HEDIS reporting method	Administrative or Hybrid
Eligible population	MA patients 18-85 years with hypertension
Numerator threshold	<140/90 mm Hg
Unit of measurement	CMS contract-level measure; individual practices do not receive a C14 Star Rating ¹
Trend direction	Higher is better ¹
Case-mix adjusted	No ^{1,2}
Improvement Measure	Included ¹
CAI usage	Included ²
Statistical method	Clustering ¹
Measurement period	January 1 - December 31, 2024 ¹

ABBREVIATIONS: BP = blood pressure; CBP = Controlling High Blood Pressure (HEDIS label); CMS = Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services; MA = Medicare Advantage

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