

HTN Guidelines & Implementation

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Educational Objectives

- Explain to families the importance of measuring blood pressure in children.
- Describe the key changes present in the new BP guidelines.
- Create strategies to incorporate the new HTN guidelines into your practice
- Develop an evaluation strategy for children with hypertension
- Identify the indication for and the value of specialized testing
- Construct a plan for non-pharmacologic and pharmacologic treatment of hypertension in children

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Clinical significance of high BP



Adverse outcomes

Clinical significance of high BP - Children

Accelerated
vascular aging

**Onset of CV Disease begins
in Childhood**

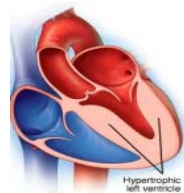
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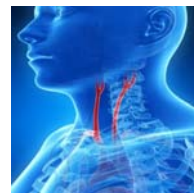
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Indirect (surrogate) markers of CVD



Left Ventricular Hypertrophy (LVH)



Carotid Intima-media Thickness (CMIT)





1 of 3

Children with HTN have LVH

Nephrol Dial Transplant 2009;24:370



1 of 4

Children with HTN have ↑ cIMT

Pediatr 2003;111:61
Hypertension 2006;48:40



Children with HTN have lower scores on neurocognitive tests



Children with HTN also have:

- Arterial stiffness
- Endothelial dysfunction
- Low-grade inflammation
- Diastolic dysfunction
- Renal changes

CV Risk factors track from Childhood to adulthood



Obesity ➤

Diabetes mellitus ➤

Hypertension ➤

Hyperlipidemia ➤

Onset of CV Disease begins in Childhood

Gaps/Issues

- Expanded breadth of new evidence
- Normative data biased
- BP table difficult to use in practice
- Incongruence with adult guidelines
- Emergence of ABPM



Clinical Practice Guideline for Screening and Management of High Blood Pressure in Children and Adolescents

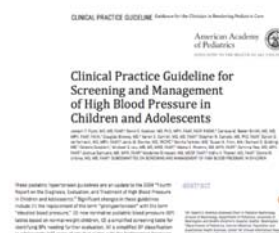
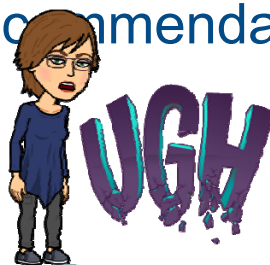
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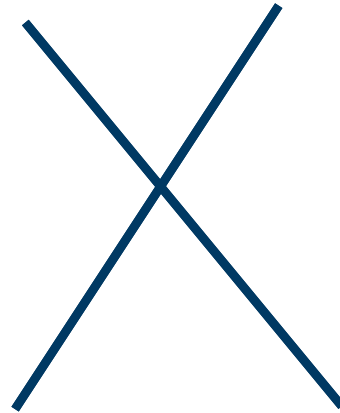
Pediatrics. 2017;140(3):e20171904

A big document!

- 8 significant changes
- 30 key action statements
- 27 additional recommendations



- Patient and family centered approach
- Reduce unnecessary and costly interventions
- Improve diagnoses and outcomes
- Support implementation
- Provide direction for future research



Previously called
prehypertension

| For Children Aged 1–13 y | For Children Aged ≥13 y |
|---|---------------------------------------|
| Normal BP: <90th percentile | Normal BP: <120/<80 mm Hg |
| Elevated BP: ≥90th percentile to <95th percentile or 120/80 mm Hg to <95th percentile (whichever is lower) | Elevated BP: 120/<80 to 129/<80 mm Hg |
| Stage 1 HTN: ≥95th percentile to <95th percentile + 12 mmHg, or 130/80 to 139/89 mm Hg (whichever is lower) | Stage 1 HTN: 130/80 to 139/89 mm Hg |
| Stage 2 HTN: ≥95th percentile + 12 mm Hg, or ≥140/90 mm Hg (whichever is lower) | Stage 2 HTN: ≥140/90 mm Hg |

Changed from +5
to +12

New Blood Pressure Tables

- Based on normal weight children only
- Cutoffs are lower than in the Fourth Report tables
- Complete tables include the actual heights, and have the cutoffs for the actual categories

New BP tables

TABLE 3
Blood Pressure Levels for Boys by Age and Height Percentile*

Fourth Report

New guideline

| Age (Year) | BP Percentile | Systolic BP (mmHg) | | | | | | Diastolic BP (mmHg) | | | | | |
|------------|---------------|--------------------|------|------|------|------|------|---------------------|------|------|------|------|------|
| | | 5th | 10th | 25th | 50th | 75th | 90th | 5th | 10th | 25th | 50th | 75th | 90th |
| 1 | 50th | 80 | 81 | 83 | 85 | 87 | 88 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 38 | 39 |
| 100th | 94 | 96 | 97 | 99 | 100 | 102 | 103 | 43 | 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 |
| 90th | 98 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 50th | 106 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2 | 50th | 84 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 100th | 97 | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 90th | 101 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 50th | 109 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 3 | 50th | 86 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 100th | 100 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 90th | 104 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 50th | 111 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 4 | 50th | 88 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 100th | 102 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 90th | 106 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 50th | 113 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 5 | 50th | 90 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 100th | 104 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 90th | 108 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 50th | 115 | 1 | | | | | | | | | | | |

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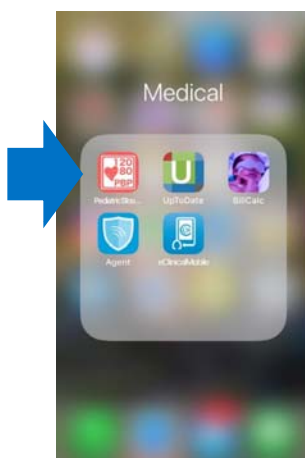
| Age (yr) | BP Percentile | BP (mmHg) | | | | | | | | | | | |
|----------|---------------|--------------------------------------|----|----|----|-----|-----|--------------------------------------|----|----|----|----|----|
| | | Height Percentile or Measured Height | | | | | | Weight Percentile or Measured Weight | | | | | |
| 1 | 50th | 80 | 81 | 83 | 85 | 87 | 88 | 34 | 35 | 36 | 37 | 38 | 39 |
| | 90th | 94 | 96 | 97 | 99 | 100 | 102 | 43 | 43 | 44 | 45 | 46 | 47 |
| | 95th | 98 | | | | | | | | | | | |
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Screening BP Values

Screening table is based off the 90th percentile for BP and the 5th percentile for height

| Age, y | BP, mm Hg | | | |
|--------|-----------|-----|----------|-----|
| | Boys | | Girls | |
| | Systolic | DBP | Systolic | DBP |
| 1 | 98 | 52 | 98 | 54 |
| 2 | 100 | 55 | 101 | 58 |
| 3 | 101 | 58 | 102 | 60 |
| 4 | 102 | 60 | 103 | 62 |
| 5 | 103 | 63 | 104 | 64 |
| 6 | 105 | 66 | 105 | 67 |
| 7 | 106 | 68 | 106 | 68 |
| 8 | 107 | 69 | 107 | 69 |
| 9 | 107 | 70 | 108 | 71 |
| 10 | 108 | 72 | 109 | 72 |
| 11 | 110 | 74 | 111 | 74 |
| 12 | 113 | 75 | 114 | 75 |
| ≥13 | 120 | 80 | 120 | 80 |

Apps



AT&T 1:37 PM 72%

Pediatric Blood Pressure
Clinical Practice Guideline Tool

Boy Girl

Age 7 ya

Height 127.6 cm

| Percentiles | | |
|-------------|-----|----|
| 50th | 97 | 58 |
| 90th | 109 | 70 |
| 95th | 112 | 73 |
| 95th + 12 | 124 | 85 |

mm Hg

Home About

When to measure BP

- Annually ages 3 and up
- From birth, every visit, for high risk patients
 - Obese
 - Kidney disease, urologic malformations, FH of renal disease
 - Coarctation, Congenital Heart Disease, repaired or not
 - Diabetes
 - Prematurity <32 weeks, SGA, VLBW, history of umbilical lines
 - Recurrent UTIs, hematuria, proteinuria
 - Malignancy, solid organ transplant, bone marrow transplant
 - On medications associated with increased BP
 - Systemic disease associated with increased BP

Measurement methods

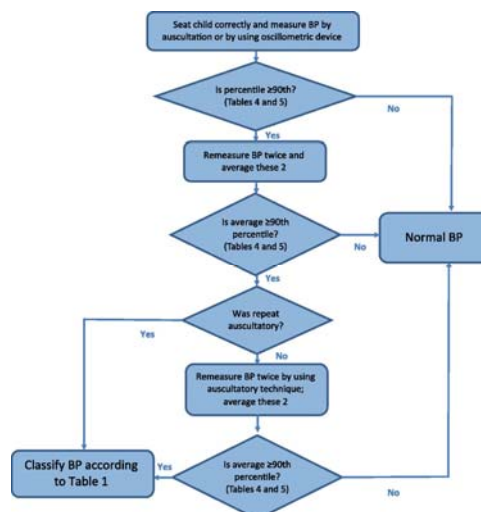
- Manual vs. Oscillometric
- Forearm or wrist- not recommended
- Ambulatory blood pressure monitoring
 - White coat hypertension
 - Masked hypertension
- Home monitoring

Measurement best practices

- Child should be seated for 3-5 minutes in a quiet room, back supported, feet uncrossed on the floor.
- Right arm (unless unusual aortic anatomy)
- At heart level, supported, uncovered above the cuff
- Correct cuff size- bladder length 80-100% of the circumference, width at least 40%
- For leg measurements, patient should be prone, cuff at mid-thigh, auscultation over popliteal artery.



Modified BP measurement algorithm.



Joseph T. Flynn et al. Pediatrics doi:10.1542/peds.2017-1904

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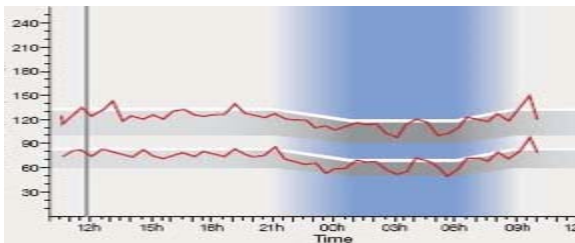
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Blood pressure follow up

| Stage | Next steps | Recheck | |
|----------|-------------------|--|---|
| Normal | Recheck annually | | |
| Elevated | Lifestyle changes | Recheck in 6 months | If still high after 12 months, ABPM |
| Stage 1 | Lifestyle changes | Recheck in 1-2 wks, and if still high, recheck in 3 months | If still high after 3 visits, ABPM, evaluation, referral, and treatment |
| Stage 2 | Lifestyle changes | Recheck or refer in 1 week | If persistent, treat. If symptomatic, or >30% above 95 th , or >180/120, send to ED for immediate care |

Ambulatory blood pressure monitoring (ABPM)

ABPM is a noninvasive way of obtaining BP over a 24-hour period while the patient is in their own environment, representing a true reflection of their blood pressure.



- Useful tool to assess BP pattern
- Not required to make diagnosis of HTN
- Patient required to get ABPM followed by specialists.

Evaluation



Evaluation

- Etiology
- Associated comorbidity
- Effect of HTN : Target organ damage
- For monitoring the effects of treatment/
intervention

Primary vs secondary HTN

- Primary
- Secondary:
 - Renal or renovascular
 - Cardiac: COA and arch anomaly
 - Endocrine
 - Environmental
 - medication

Evaluation

- History
- Physical examination
- Lab evaluation
- ~~EKG~~
- Echocardiogram
- Imaging for renovascular disease
- Vascular structure and function

History

- Perinatal History
- Nutritional history
- Physical activity history
- Psychosocial history
- Family history

Evaluation: History

- KAS 13:
 - *In children and adolescents being evaluated for high BP, the provider should obtain a perinatal history, appropriate nutritional history, physical activity history, psychosocial history, and family history and perform a physical examination to identify findings suggestive of secondary causes of HTN (grade B, strong recommendation).*

History and PE

TABLE 14 Examples of Physical Examination Findings and History Suggestive of Secondary HTN or Related to End Organ Damage Secondary to HTN

| Body System | Finding, History | Possible Etiology |
|-------------------|--|---|
| Vital signs | Tachycardia | Hyperthyroidism PCC Neuroblastoma Coarctation of the aorta |
| | Decreased lower extremity pulses; drop in BP from upper to lower extremities | |
| Eyes | Proptosis Retinal changes ^a | Hyperthyroidism Severe HTN, more likely to be associated with secondary HTN |
| Ear, nose, throat | Adenotonsillar hypertrophy | SDB |
| Height, weight | History of snoring Growth retardation Obesity (high BMI) | Sleep apnea Chronic renal failure Cushing syndrome |
| Head, neck | Truncal obesity Efin facies Moon facies Thyromegaly, goiter | Insulin resistance syndrome Williams syndrome Cushing syndrome Hyperthyroidism |
| Skin | Webbed neck Pallor, flushing, diaphoresis Acne, hirsutism, striae | Turner syndrome PCC Cushing syndrome Anabolic steroid abuse |
| | Café-au-lait spots Adenoma sebaceum Malar rash Acanthosis nigricans | Neurofibromatosis Tuberous sclerosis Systemic lupus |
| Hematologic | Pallor Sickle cell anemia | T2DM Renal disease |

History and PE

Table 2 (continued)

| | | |
|-----------------------|---|---|
| Chest, cardiac | Chest pain Palpitations Exertional dyspnea Widely spaced nipples Heart murmur Friction rub | Heart disease |
| Abdomen | Apical heave ^a Abdominal mass | Turner syndrome Coarctation of the aorta Systemic lupus (pericarditis) Collagen vascular disease LVH |
| | Epigastric, flank bruit Palpable kidneys | Wilms tumor Neuroblastoma PCC RAS Polycystic kidney disease Hydronephrosis Multicystic dysplastic kidney Congenital adrenal hyperplasia Renal disease |
| Genitourinary | Ambiguous or virilized genitalia Urinary tract infection Vesicoureteral reflux Hematuria, edema, fatigue Abdominal trauma | |
| Extremities | Joint swelling | Systemic lupus Collagen vascular disease Hyperaldosteronism Liddle syndrome Reninoma |
| Neurologic, metabolic | Muscle weakness Hypokalemia, headache, dizziness, polyuria, nocturia Muscle weakness, hypokalemia | Monogenic HTN (Liddle syndrome, GRA, AME) |

Labs and imaging



Who needs extensive evaluation?

- KAS 11:
 - Children and adolescents ≥ 6 years of age do not require an extensive evaluation for secondary causes of HTN if they have a positive family history of HTN, are overweight or obese, and/or do not have history or physical examination findings (Table 14) suggestive of a secondary cause of HTN (grade C, moderate recommendation).

TABLE 10 Screening Tests and Relevant Populations

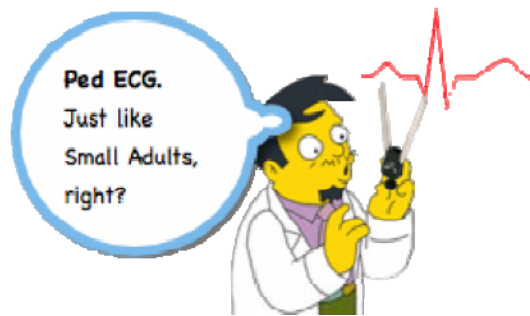
| Patient Population | Screening Tests |
|--|--|
| All patients | Urinalysis Chemistry panel, including electrolytes, blood urea nitrogen, and creatinine Lipid profile (fasting or nonfasting to include high-density lipoproteins and total cholesterol) Renal ultrasonography in those <6 y of age or those with abnormal urinalysis or renal function |
| In the obese (BMI >95th percentile) child or adolescent, in addition to the above | Hemoglobin A1c (accepted screen for diabetes) Aspartate transaminase and alanine transaminase (screen for fatty liver) Fasting lipid panel (screen for dyslipidemia) |
| Optional tests to be obtained on the basis of history, physical examination, and initial studies | Fasting serum glucose for those at high risk for diabetes mellitus Thyroid-stimulating hormone Drug screen Sleep study (if loud snoring, daytime sleepiness, or reported history of apnea) Complete blood count, especially in those with growth delay or abnormal renal function |

Adapted from Wiesen J, Adkins M, Fortune S, et al. Evaluation of pediatric patients with mild-to-moderate hypertension: yield of diagnostic testing. *Pediatrics*. 2008;122(5). Available at: www.pediatrics.org/cgi/content/full/122/5/e988.

Cardiac specific evaluation

- For etiology: COA, re-COA
- Evaluation of target organ damage
- Monitoring of the effects of treatment/ intervention

How about EKG



When to do EKG

- KAS 19
 - *Clinicians should not perform electrocardiography (ECG) in hypertensive children and adolescents being evaluated for LVH.*

Echocardiogram

- **KAS 15:**
- *It is recommended that echocardiography be performed to assess for cardiac target organ damage (LV mass, geometry, and function) at the time of consideration of pharmacologic treatment of HTN;*
- *LVH should be defined as LV mass >51 g/m^{2.7} (boys and girls) for children and adolescents older than 8 years and defined by LV mass >115 g/BSA for boys and LV mass >95 g/BSA for girls;*
- *Repeat echocardiography may be performed to monitor improvement or progression of target organ damage at 6- to 12-month intervals. Indications to repeat echocardiography include persistent HTN despite treatment, concentric LV hypertrophy, or reduced LV ejection fraction; and*
- *In patients without LV target organ injury at initial echocardiographic assessment, repeat echocardiography at yearly intervals may be considered in those with stage 2 HTN, secondary HTN, or chronic stage 1 HTN incompletely treated (noncompliance or drug resistance) to assess for the development of worsening LV target organ injury (grade C, moderate recommendation).*

Echocardiogram:

- LVH is defined as left ventricular mass, indexed >51 g/m^{2.7} or LVM >115 g/body surface area (BSA) for boys and LVM >95 g/BSA for girls. An LV RWT >0.42 indicates concentric geometry. LV wall thickness >1.4 cm is abnormal.
- Decreased LV EF is a value <53%

Coarctation of Aorta

- HTN
- BP gradient (UL to LL)
- RF delay
- Systolic murmur interscapular region
- Ejection click (? BAV and associated COA)
- Suspicion of genetic condition conditions such as Turners, Williams
- Abdominal COA: neurofibromatosis, Williams syndrome, Alagille syndrome, or Takayasu arteritis.

Coarctation of Aorta repair: BP monitoring

- KAS 12:
 - Children and adolescents who have undergone coarctation repair should undergo ABPM for the detection of HTN (including MH) (grade B, strong recommendation).

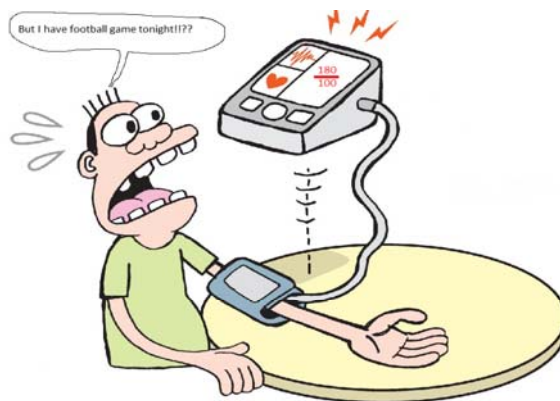
Renal and renovascular imaging:

- KAS 16.
 - Doppler renal ultrasonography may be used as a noninvasive screening study for the evaluation of possible RAS in normal weight children and adolescents ≥ 8 years of age who are suspected of having renovascular HTN and who will cooperate with the procedure (grade C, moderate recommendation).
- KAS: 17
 - In children and adolescents suspected of having RAS, either CTA or MRA may be performed as a noninvasive imaging study. Nuclear renography is less useful in pediatrics and should generally be avoided (grade D, weak recommendation).

HTN and Athletes



HTN and Athletes



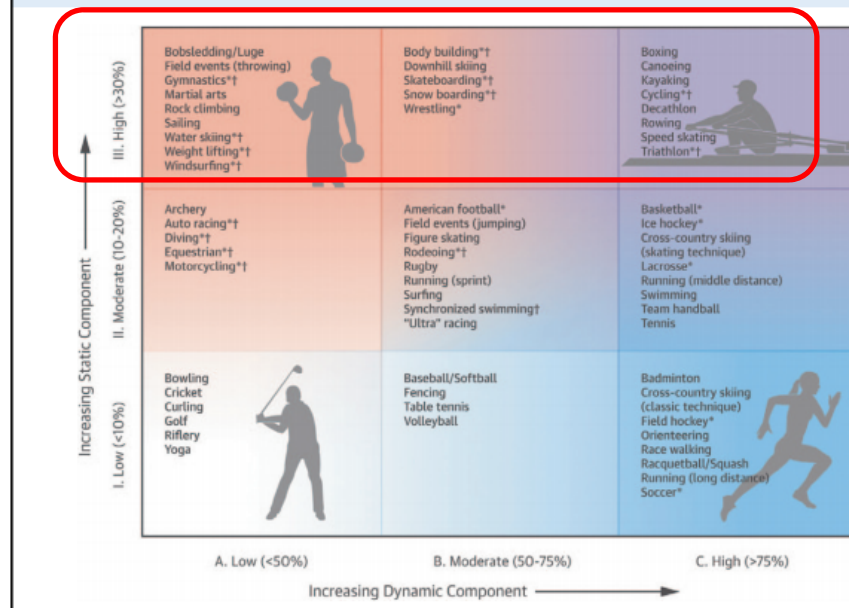


"I would be a lot healthier if you'd stop finding things wrong with me!"

HTN and Athletes

- Sports participation should be encouraged
- Exercise has beneficial effects in HTN and cardiac structure
- No data linking the HTN to sudden death related to sports in children
- BUT; many cases of sudden death are unknown etiology

FIGURE Classification of Sports



AHA/ACC

- limit competitive athletic participation among athletes with LVH beyond that seen with athlete's heart until BP is normalized by appropriate antihypertensive drug therapy,
- restricting athletes with stage 2 HTN (even among those without evidence of target organ injury) from participating in high-static sports (eg, weight lifting, boxing, and wrestling) until HTN is controlled with either lifestyle modification or drug therapy.

HTN and Athletes

- KAS28:
 - Children and adolescents with HTN may participate in competitive sports once hypertensive target organ effects and risk have been assessed (grade C, moderate recommendation).
- KAS 29:
 - Children and adolescents with HTN should receive treatment to lower BP below stage 2 thresholds before participating in competitive sports (grade C, weak recommendation).

Treatment

Who?



Any child with an abnormal
blood pressure

>90th %'tile

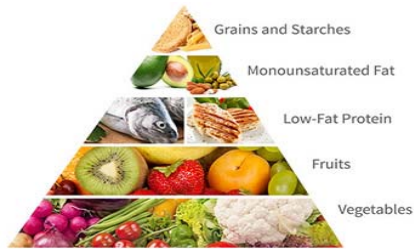
>120/80 mmHg

Why?

Prevention of pediatric morbidity associated
with hypertension

Prevention of adult onset cardiovascular disease

lifestyle



Who needs medication?



- Persistent Stage 1 HTN after 6-12 months of lifestyle modifications
- Symptomatic HTN
- Stage 2 HTN without a clear modifiable risk factor
- HTN with CKD or DM

KAS 14:

Treatment goals



In children and adolescents diagnosed with HTN, the treatment goal with nonpharmacologic and pharmacologic therapy should be a reduction in SBP and DBP to < 90th percentile and < 130/80 mmHg in adolescents ≥ 13 years old.

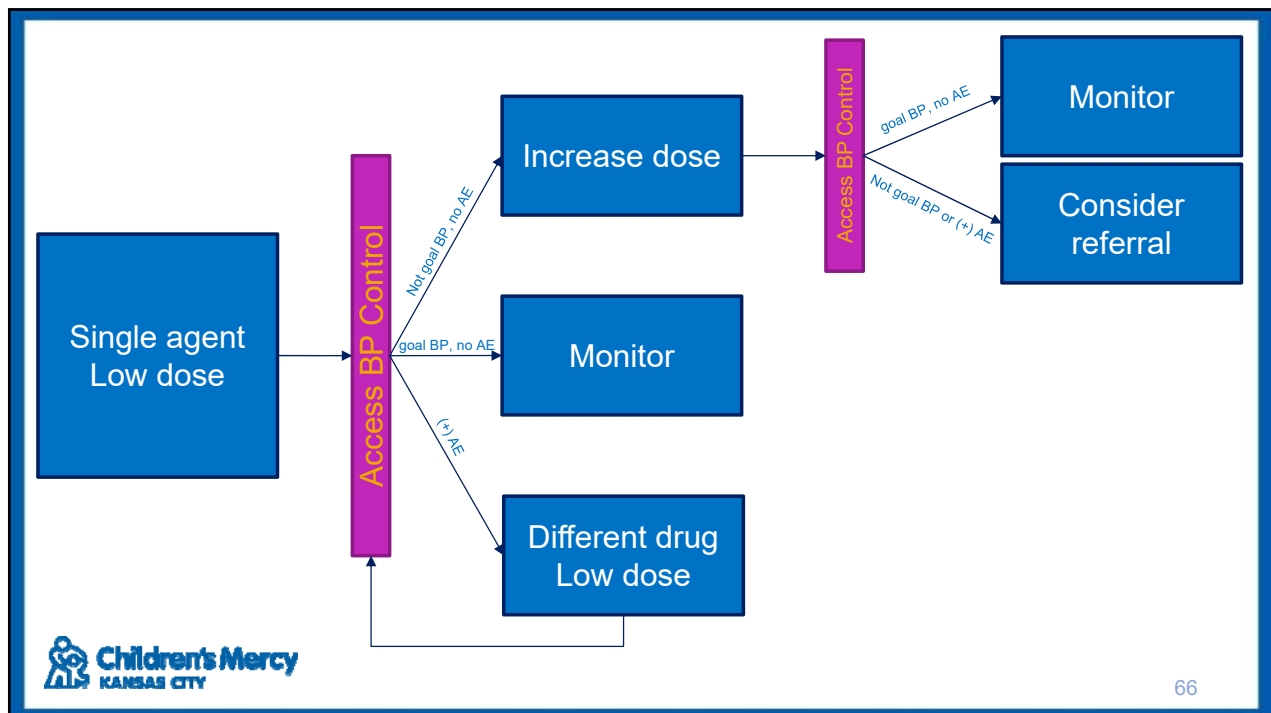
KAS 21



- Angiotension Converting Enzyme (ACE) inhibitor
- Angiotension Receptor Blocker (ARB)
- Long-acting Calcium channel blocker
- Thiazide diuretic

Drug treatment considerations

- ACE/ARB – may not be as effective in African Americans
- ACE/ARB – preferred in CKD and DM
- ACE/ARB – associated with fetal toxicity



Angiotensin converting enzyme inhibitor

Contraindications

Pregnancy, angioedema

Common AE's

Cough, headache, dizziness, asthenia

Severe AE's

Hyperkalemia, acute kidney injury, angioedema, fetal toxicity

Drugs

Benazepril*, Captopril, **Enalapril***, **Fosinopril***, **Lisinopril***, Ramipril, Quinapril



* FDA Pediatric Labeling

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Angiotensin receptor blocker

Contraindications

Pregnancy

Common AE's

headache, dizziness

Severe AE's

Hyperkalemia, acute kidney injury, fetal toxicity

Drugs

Candesartan*, Irbesartan, **Losartan***, **Olmesartan***, **Valsartan***



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Thiazide diuretics

Contraindications

anuria

Common AE's

dizziness, hypokalemia

Severe AE's

Cardiac dysrhythmias, cholesterics jaundice,
new onset diabetes mellitus, pancreatitis

Drugs

Chlorthalidone, **Chlorothiazide***,
Hydrochlorothiazide*

Long-acting calcium channel blockers

Contraindications

Hypersensitivity to CCB's

Common AE's

Flushing, peripheral edema, dizziness

Severe AE's

angioedema

Drugs

Amlodipine*, Felodipine, Isradipine (ER),
Nifedipine (ER)

Summary

- CV disease begins in childhood
- All children with elevated BP should be “treated”
- HTN is defined as BP >95th %’tile or 130/80 mmHg
- Most children do not have an identifiable cause of HTN but an identifiable cause is more likely in children < 6 years of age or those with severe HTN
- An extensive evaluation is not needed for most children with HTN
- Treatment options include lifestyle modifications (all) and antihypertensive medications (ACE, ARB, Thiazide, CCB)



General information

<https://kidshealth.org/ChildrensMercy/en/#catfitness>

DASH diet resource

https://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/files/docs/public/heart/dash_brief.pdf

AAP HTN Guideline

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Questions?