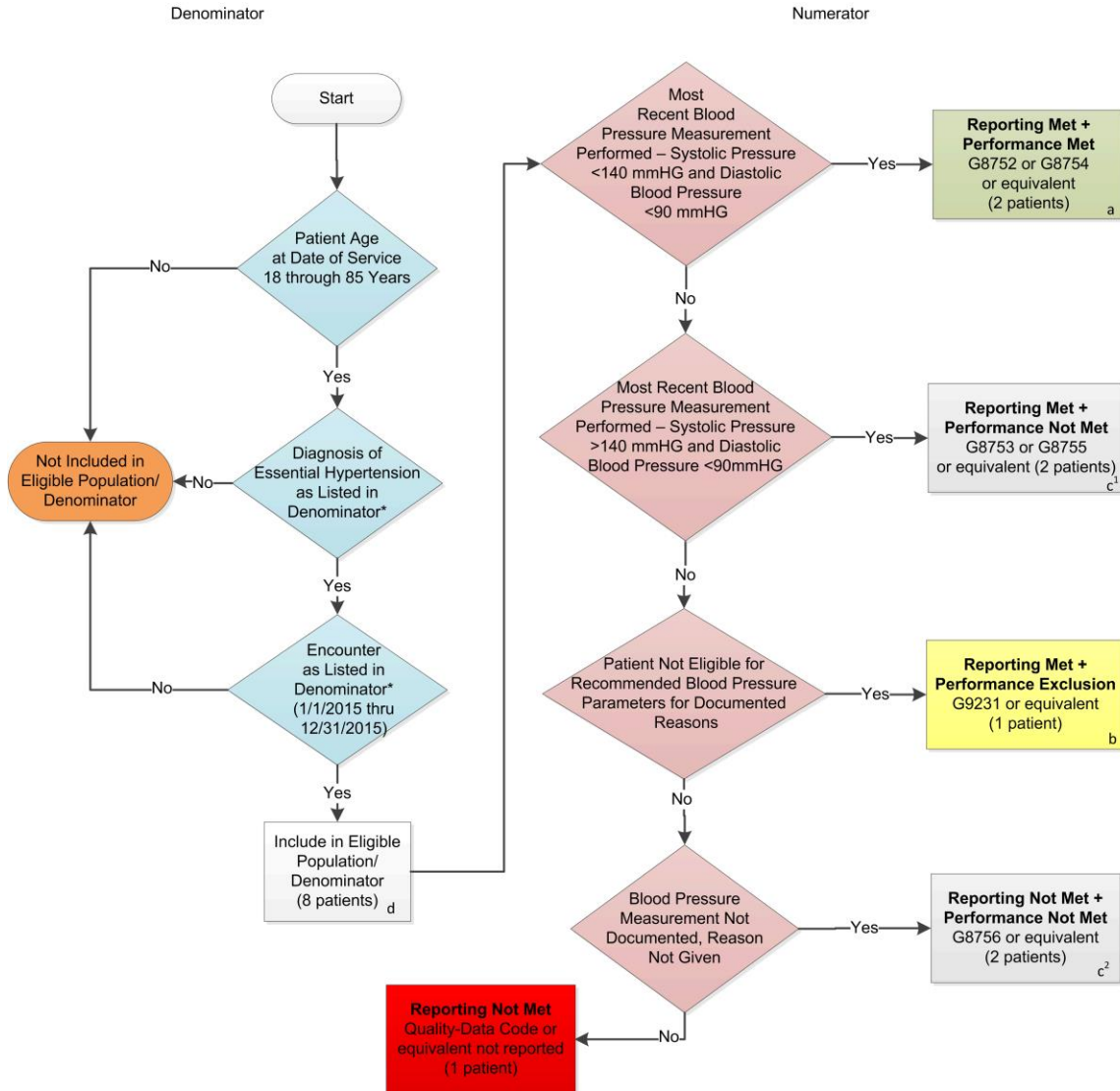


**2015 Claims/Registry Individual Measure Flow
PQRS #236 NQF #0018: Controlling High Blood Pressure**



SAMPLE CALCULATIONS:

Reporting Rate=

$$\frac{\text{Performance Met (a=2 patients)} + \text{Performance Exclusion (b=1 patient)} + \text{Performance Not Met (c1+c2=4 patients)}}{\text{Eligible Population / Denominator (d=8 patients)}} = \frac{7 \text{ patients}}{8 \text{ patients}} = 87.50\%$$

Performance Rate=

$$\frac{\text{Performance Met (a=2 patients)}}{\text{Reporting Numerator (7 patients) - Performance Exclusion (b=1 patient) = 6 patients}} = \frac{2 \text{ patients}}{6 \text{ patients}} = 33.33\%$$

*See the posted Measure Specifications for specific coding and instructions to report this measure.
 NOTE: Reporting Frequency: Patient-Intermediate

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Please refer to the specific section of the Measure Specification to identify the denominator and numerator information for use in reporting this Individual Measure.

1. Start with Denominator
2. Check Patient Age:
 - a. If the Age is equal to 18 thru 85 years of age on Date of Service equals No during the measurement period, do not include in Eligible Patient Population. Stop Processing.
 - b. If the Age is equal to 18 thru 85 years of age on Date of Service equals Yes during the measurement period, proceed to check Patient Diagnosis.
3. Check Patient Diagnosis:
 - a. If Diagnosis of Essential Hypertension as Listed in the Denominator equals No, do not include in Eligible Patient Population. Stop Processing.
 - b. If Diagnosis of Essential Hypertension as Listed in the Denominator equals Yes, proceed to check Encounter Performed.
4. Check Encounter Performed:
 - a. If Encounter as Listed in the Denominator equals No, do not include in Eligible Patient Population. Stop Processing.
 - b. If Encounter as Listed in the Denominator equals Yes, include in the Eligible population.
5. Denominator Population:
 - a. Denominator population is all Eligible Patients in the denominator. Denominator is represented as Denominator in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter d equals 8 patients in the sample calculation.
6. Start Numerator
7. Check Most Recent Blood Pressure Measurement Performed – Systolic Pressure <140 mmHG and Diastolic pressure <90 mmHG:
 - a. If Most Recent Blood Pressure Measurement Performed – Systolic Pressure <140 mmHG and Diastolic pressure <90 mmHG equals Yes, include in Reporting Met and Performance Met.
 - b. Reporting Met and Performance Met letter is represented in the Reporting Rate and Performance Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter a equals 2 patients in Sample Calculation.
 - c. If Most Recent Blood Pressure Measurement Performed – Systolic Pressure <140 mmHG and Diastolic pressure <90 mmHG equals No, proceed to Most Recent Blood Pressure Measurement Performed – Systolic Pressure >140 mmHG and Diastolic pressure > 90 mmHG.

8. Check Most Recent Blood Pressure Measurement Performed – Systolic Pressure >140 mmHG and Diastolic pressure >90 mmHG:
 - a. If Most Recent Blood Pressure Measurement Performed – Systolic Pressure >140 mmHG and Diastolic pressure > 90 mmHG equals Yes, include in Reporting Met and Performance Not Met.
 - b. Reporting Met and Performance Not Met letter is represented in the Reporting Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter c¹ equals 2 patients in the Sample Calculation.
 - c. If Most Recent Blood Pressure Measurement Performed – Systolic Pressure >140 mmHG and Diastolic pressure >90 mmHG equals No, proceed to Patient Not Eligible for Recommended Blood Pressure Parameters for Documented Reasons.
9. Check Patient Not Eligible for Recommended Blood Pressure Parameters for Documented Reasons:
 - a. If Patient Not Eligible for Recommended Blood Pressure Parameters for Documented Reasons equals Yes, include in the Reporting Met and Performance Exclusion.
 - b. Reporting Met and Performance Exclusion letter is represented in the Reporting Rate and Performance Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter b equals 1 patient in the Sample Calculation.
 - c. If Patient Not Eligible for Recommended Blood Pressure Parameters for Documented Reasons equals No, proceed to Blood Pressure Measurement Not Documented, Reason Not Given.
10. Check Blood Pressure Measurement Not Documented, Reason Not Given:
 - a. If Blood Pressure Measurement Not Documented, Reason Not Given equals Yes, include in the Reporting Met and Performance Not Met.
 - b. Reporting Met and Performance Not Met letter is represented in the Reporting Rate in the Sample Calculation listed at the end of this document. Letter c² equals 2 patients in the Sample Calculation.
 - c. If Blood Pressure Measurement Not Documented, Reason Not Given equals No, proceed to Reporting Not Met.
11. Check Reporting Not Met
 - a. If Reporting Not Met equals No, Quality Data Code or equivalent was not reported. 1 patient has been subtracted from the reporting numerator in the sample calculation.

SAMPLE CALCULATIONS:

Reporting Rate=

Performance Met (a =2 patients) + Performance Exclusion (b=1 patient) + Performance Not Met (c¹+c²=4 patients) = $\frac{7 \text{ patients}}{8 \text{ patients}} = 87.50\%$

Performance Rate=

Performance Met (a=2 patients) = $\frac{2 \text{ patients}}{6 \text{ patients}} = 33.33\%$
 Reporting Numerator (7 patients) - Performance Exclusion (b=1 patient) = 6 patients