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HYPERTENSION

THE MOST IMPORTANT CARDIOVASCULAR RISK FACTOR FOR
NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES AND SUDDEN DEATH IN NIGERIA.

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 2. Risk Stratification
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 4. Treating to Target
 5. Clinic Follow Up

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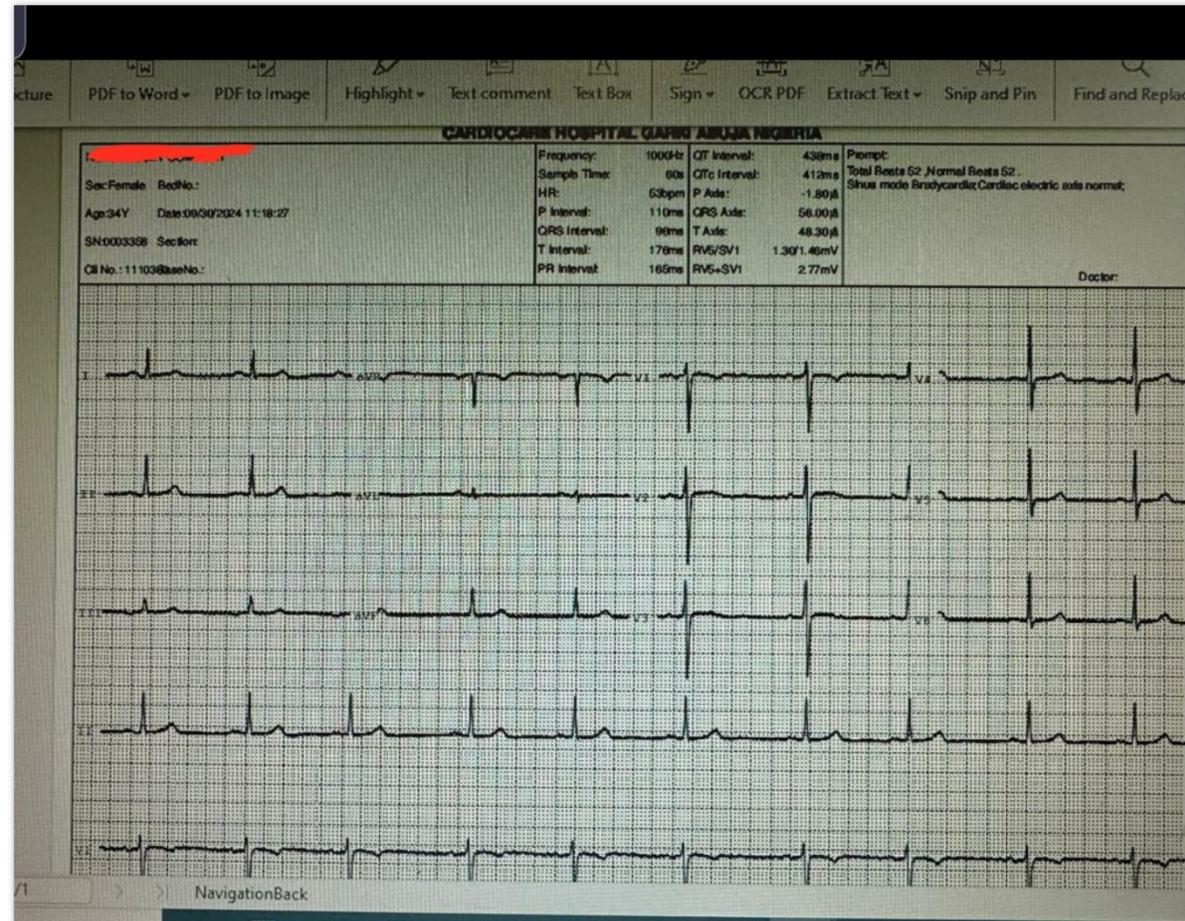


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CASE 1

- 34yr old now P2+0 (2A) who gave birth 3weeks ago presented in the emergency with a home BP that was elevated and she was anxious. No chest pain, dyspnea or any other complains. She is a known hypertensive for about 2years on Tab Aldomet 500mg tds, Labetalol 400mg tds and has been regular on medications. Pregnancy and delivery was uneventful
- O/E young lady, not pale, anicteric, acyanosed, afebrile, nil pedal oedema
- CVS PR 72bpm normal full, regular

CASE 1





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1. Introduction

Introduction

- Cardiac catheterization procedures in the dedicated catheterization laboratory (cathlab) are apparently at an infantile stage in Nigeria.
- The cardiac cathlab is invaluable in the practice of Cardiology as its use is the **gold standard** for diagnosis and treatment of many cardiovascular conditions.
- In Northern Nigeria, **two prior indigenous cathlab installations had been reported**, one public and one private which had become non-functional.
- However, since 2015 there has reportedly been **no functional indigenous cardiac cathlab in the entire Northern Nigeria**.

1.1 INTRODUCTION



- Hypertension is defined as the level of blood pressure at which
 - the benefits of treatment unequivocally outweigh the risks of treatment
 - the office systolic BP values are ≥ 140 mmHg and/or diastolic BP values are ≥ 90 mmHg

Who is Cardiocare Multispecialty Hospital?



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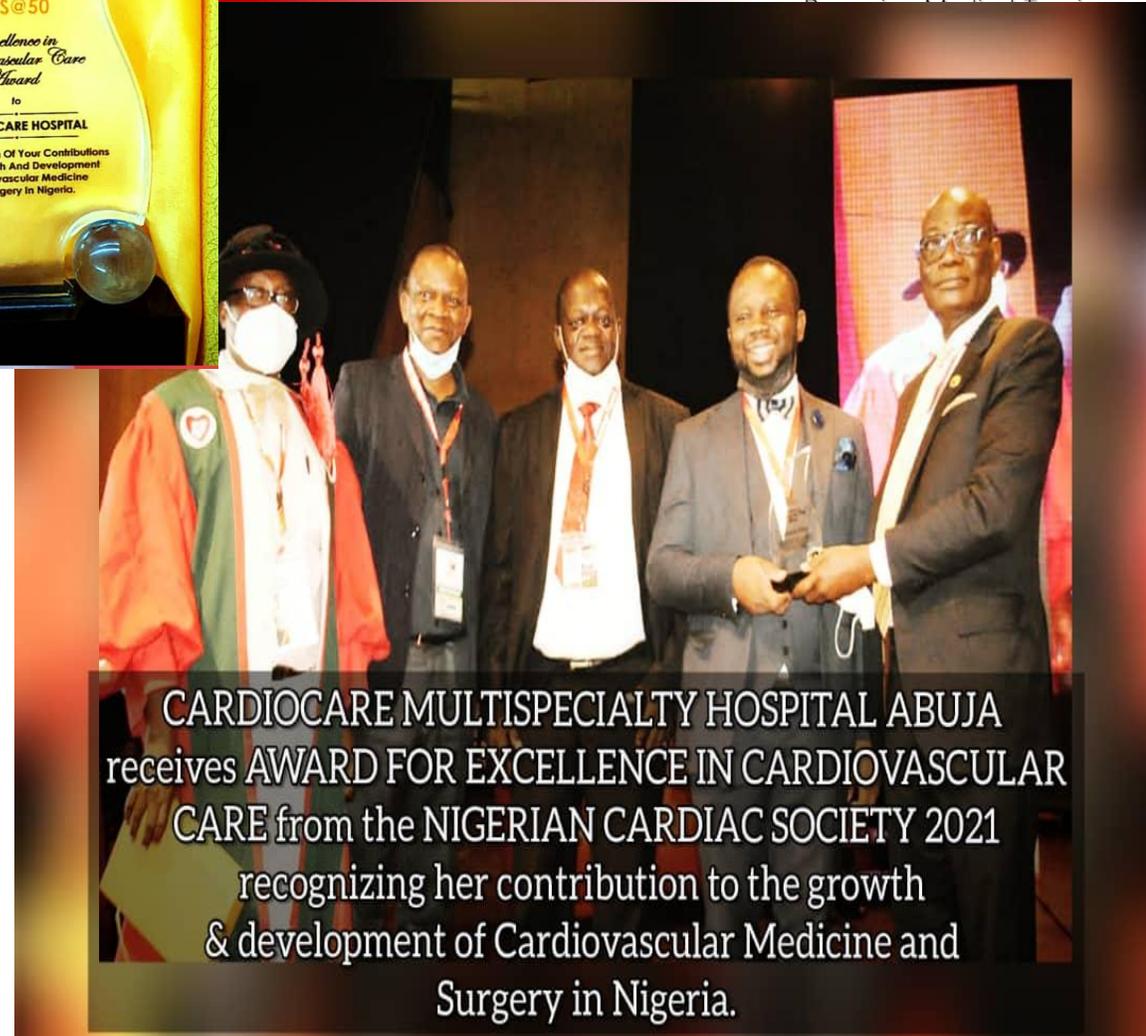
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Received Multiple **Awards for Excellence in Service**.

We are a **Support Hospital** for your practice in Nigeria through our **specialized services, training, and research in collaboration with**



1.2 INTRODUCTION

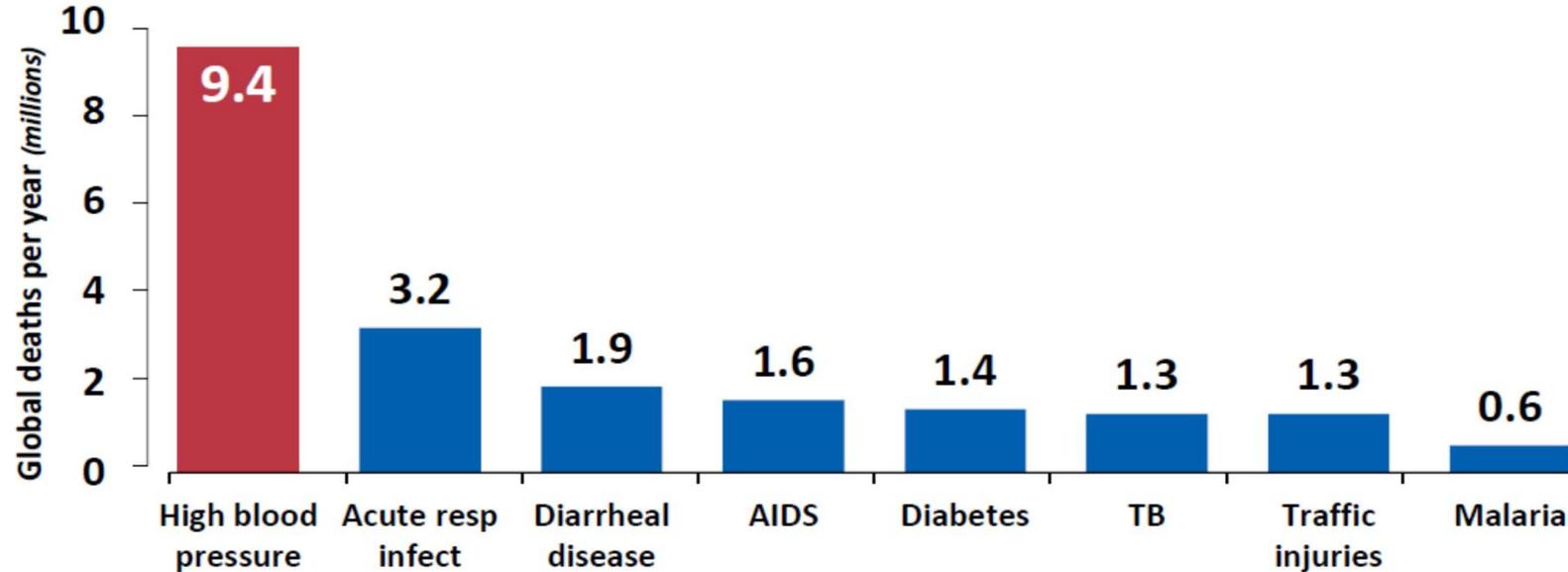
- Persistently high BP in systemic arteries is the hallmark of hypertension, which is the most important modifiable risk factor for all-cause and CVD morbidity and mortality globally.
- Hypertension may be primary, which may develop as a result of a variety of environmental or genetic causes or it may be secondary due to renal, vascular and endocrine causes.

■ Primary or essential hypertension accounts for 90-95% of all hypertension cases.

1.3 HTN: WORLD'S LEADING KILLER



High blood pressure kills nearly as many people worldwide each year as all infectious diseases combined.

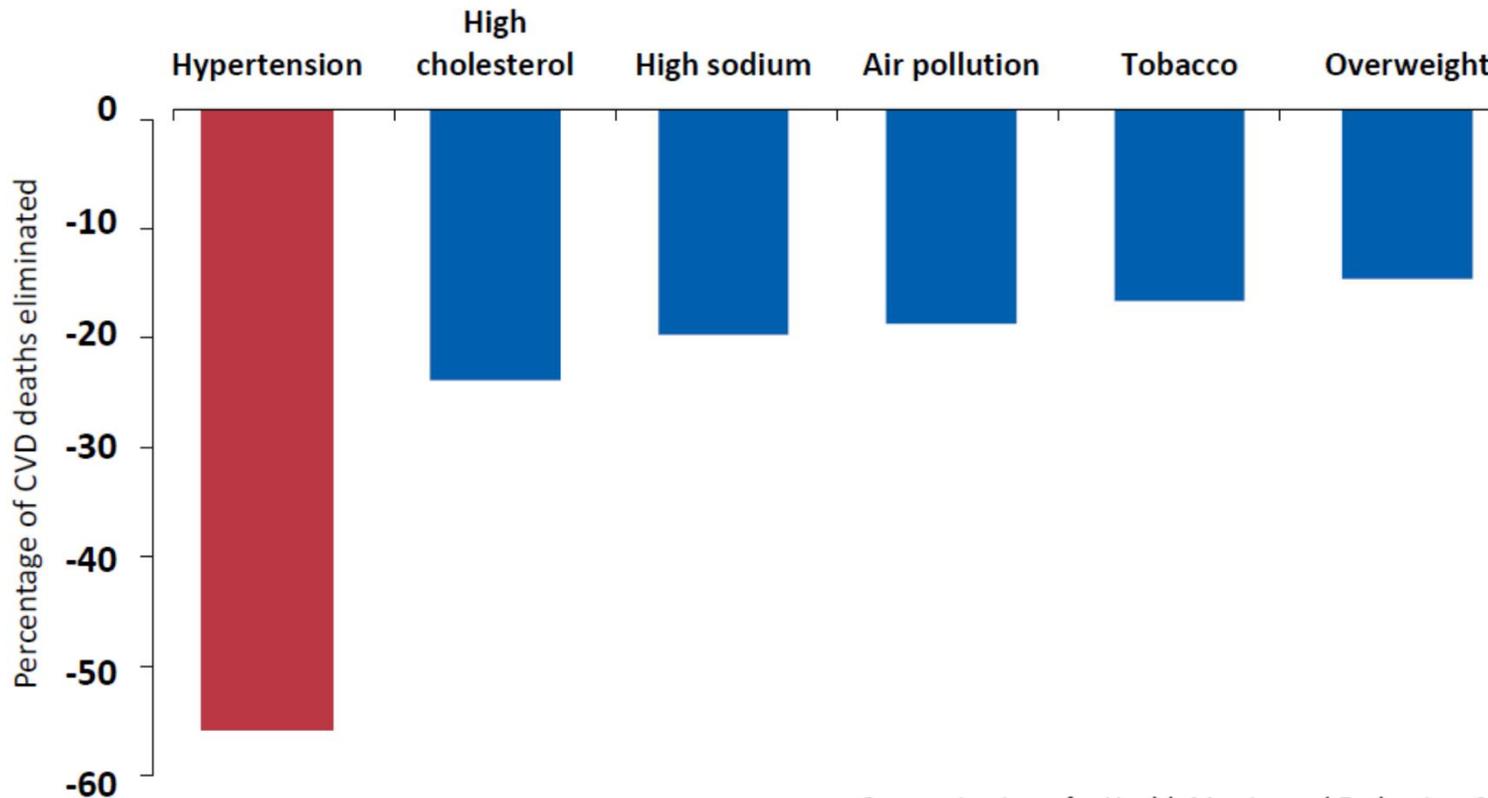


Source: World Health Organization, 2010

1.4 HTN CONTROL KEY TO REDUCING CVD DEATHS



The percentage by which deaths from cardiovascular diseases (CVDs) could be reduced if specific risk factors were brought under control:



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Reversing Medical Tourism

- Over 750 participants from over 30
- Trained in **PRIMARY CARDIOVASCULAR**
 - ECG interpretation,
 - Basic Management of Diabetes, Hypertension
 - Basic Life Support
- **10 CME points & Certificate**



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2. What are some of the cut-offs & terms in the Diagnosis of Hypertension?

DIAGNOSING HYPERTENSION



2.1 Hypertension cut-offs



CATEGORY	SYSTOLIC (mmHg)		DIASTOLIC (mmHg)
Optimal	<120	and	<80
Normal	120-129	and/or	80-84
High Normal	130-139	and/or	85-89
Grade 1 Hypertension	140-159	and/or	90-99
Grade 2 Hypertension	160-179	and/or	100-109
Grade 3 Hypertension	≥180	and/or	≥110
Isolated Systolic Hypertension	≥140	and	<90

2.2 Definitions of Hypertension according to Office, ambulatory and home BP levels



	SYSTOLIC		DIASTOLIC
<u>Office BP</u>	≥ 140	<i>AND/OR</i>	≥ 90
<u>Home BP Mean</u>	≥ 135	<i>AND/OR</i>	≥ 85
<u>Ambulatory BP</u>			
Daytime Mean	≥ 135	<i>AND/OR</i>	≥ 85
Night-time Mean	≥ 120	<i>AND/OR</i>	≥ 70
24-H Mean	≥ 130	<i>AND/OR</i>	≥ 80

Our Experience

- A total of **1000 procedures** were carried out on 847 patients over the last 5 years
- Male to female ratio of **4.4:1**,
- Mean age of **59.0 (+/- 12.4)** years
- Of the patients,
 - 32 (10.6%) were partially financed through discounts, sponsorships, and donations from:
 - Cardiocare/Limi Hospitals
 - Nigerian Cardiovascular Education Foundation

**WHITE COAT
HYPERTENSION**



1. ELEVATED OFFICE BLOOD PRESSURE
AND
2. NORMAL AMBULATORY / HOME BLOOD PRESSURE

**MASKED
HYPERTENSION**



1. NORMAL OFFICE BLOOD PRESSURE
AND
2. ELEVATED AMBULATORY / HOME BLOOD PRESSURE



2.3 Some Terms

	<u>NORMAL OFFICE BLOOD PRESSURE</u>	<u>ABNORMAL OFFICE BLOOD PRESSURE</u>
<u>NORMAL OUT-OF-OFFICE BLOOD PRESSURE (ABPM, HBPM)</u>	True Normotension	White Coat Uncontrolled Hypertension (<u>WUCH</u>)
<u>ABNORMAL OUT-OF-OFFICE BLOOD PRESSURE (ABPM, HBPM)</u>	Masked Uncontrolled Hypertension (<u>MUCH</u>)	Sustained Uncontrolled Hypertension (<u>SUCH</u>)

2.3 Some Terms

	OFFICE BLOOD PRESSURE	OUT-OF-OFFICE BLOOD PRESSURE (ABPM, HBPM)
1. True Normotension	Normal	Normal
2. Masked Uncontrolled Hypertension (MUCH)	Normal	Abnormal
3. White Coat Uncontrolled Hypertension (WUCH)	Abnormal	Normal
4. Sustained Uncontrolled Hypertension (SUCH)	Abnormal	Abnormal
	Abnormal	Abnormal



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2.6 SECONDARY HYPERTENSION



- Obstructive Sleep Apnea
- Renal Parenchymal Disease
- Renovascular Disease
 - Atherosclerotic Renovascular disease
 - Fibromuscular Dysplasia (more in young women)
- Primary Aldosteronism
- Pheochromocytoma
- Cushing's Syndrome
- Thyroid Disease

3. How is Blood Pressure Properly Measured?



3.1 MEASURING BP



Patients should be seated comfortably in a quiet environment for 5 min before beginning BP measurements.

Three BP measurements should be recorded, 1–2 min apart, and additional measurements only if the first two readings differ by > 10 mmHg. BP is recorded as the average of the last two BP readings.

Additional measurements may have to be performed in patients with unstable BP values due to arrhythmias, such as in patients with AF, in whom manual auscultatory methods should be used as most automated devices have not been validated for BP measurement in patients with AF.

Use a standard bladder cuff (12–13 cm wide and 35 cm long) for most patients, but have larger and smaller cuffs available for larger (arm circumference > 32 cm) and thinner arms, respectively.

The cuff should be positioned at the level of the heart with the back and arm supported, to avoid muscle contraction and isometric-exercise dependent increases in BP.



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3.1 MEASURING BP



When using auscultatory methods, use phase I and V (sudden reduction/disappearance) Korotkoff sounds to identify SBP and DBP, respectively.

Measure BP in both arms at the first visit to detect possible between-arm differences.

Use the arm with the higher value as the reference.

Measure BP 1 minute and 3 min after standing from seated position in all patients at the first measurement to exclude orthostatic hypotension.

Lying and standing BP measurements should also be considered in subsequent visits in older people, in people with diabetes, and in other conditions in which orthostatic hypotension may frequently occur.

Record heart rate and use pulse palpation to exclude arrhythmia.

3.2 Pre-Conditions for BP Measurement



- No exercise, emotional excitement nor caffeine in the last 30-60mins
- **Resting and supported** position of back, arms, legs
- No crossed legs
- No clothing under cuff
- Appropriately sized & placed cuff
- Quiet room- No talking to, about, or by subject
- No digital preference, nor rounding up/down

3.3 Measuring Blood Pressure



- Use either:
 - 1. Mercury sphygmomanometer:**
 - *The diastolic reading is taken at the level when sounds disappear (Korotkoff phase V).*
 - 2. Validated Professional Electronic Device**
 - 3. Aneroid manometer-** recently calibrated
- Two or 3 measurements should be taken at each visit, and averaged
- At least 1-2 minutes should be allowed between readings.
- BP values obtained outside the clinical setting are lower and correlate better with target organ damage than BP measurements by healthcare personnel.

Why Consider Cardiocare Multispecialty Hospital?

1. Team of consultants & residents
2. **Detailed back-referral medical reports** when indicated/requested
3. Opportunity to **discuss & collaborate** with team on referred cases
4. **24/7 emergencies** and **same-day/next-day appointments**
5. Over **400 successful cathlab cases** for:
 - Pacemakers, CRTs, Coronary & Peripheral revascularization with stents, IVC filters, etc. while awake with no scars for vascular interventions.
6. **Ultramodern world-class equipment & fully computerized systems**



3.4 Appropriate Cuff & Technique



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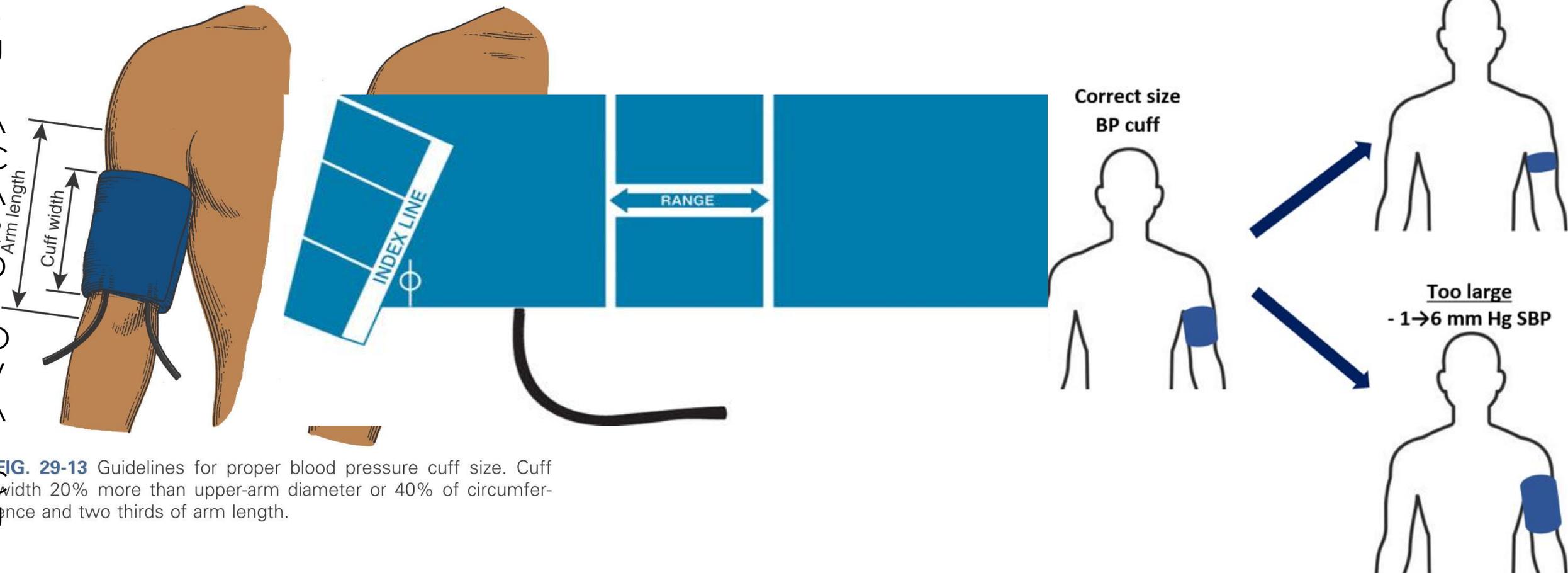


FIG. 29-13 Guidelines for proper blood pressure cuff size. Cuff width 20% more than upper-arm diameter or 40% of circumference and two thirds of arm length.

3.5 Cuff Application



HOW TO USE THE CUFF CORRECTLY



Point 1

Please use the same arm for every measurement.



Point 2

Keep the Lower edge of the cuff 0.8"-1.2" (2-3cm) from the inner elbow.



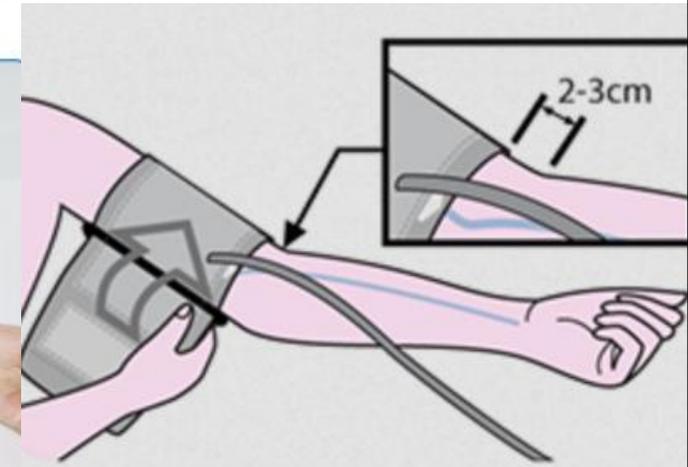
Point 3

Keep a certain space between the cuff and arm. Ensure that one finger can be inserted.



Point 4

The air tube is on the inside of your arm and aligned with your middle finger.





Practical Demonstrations

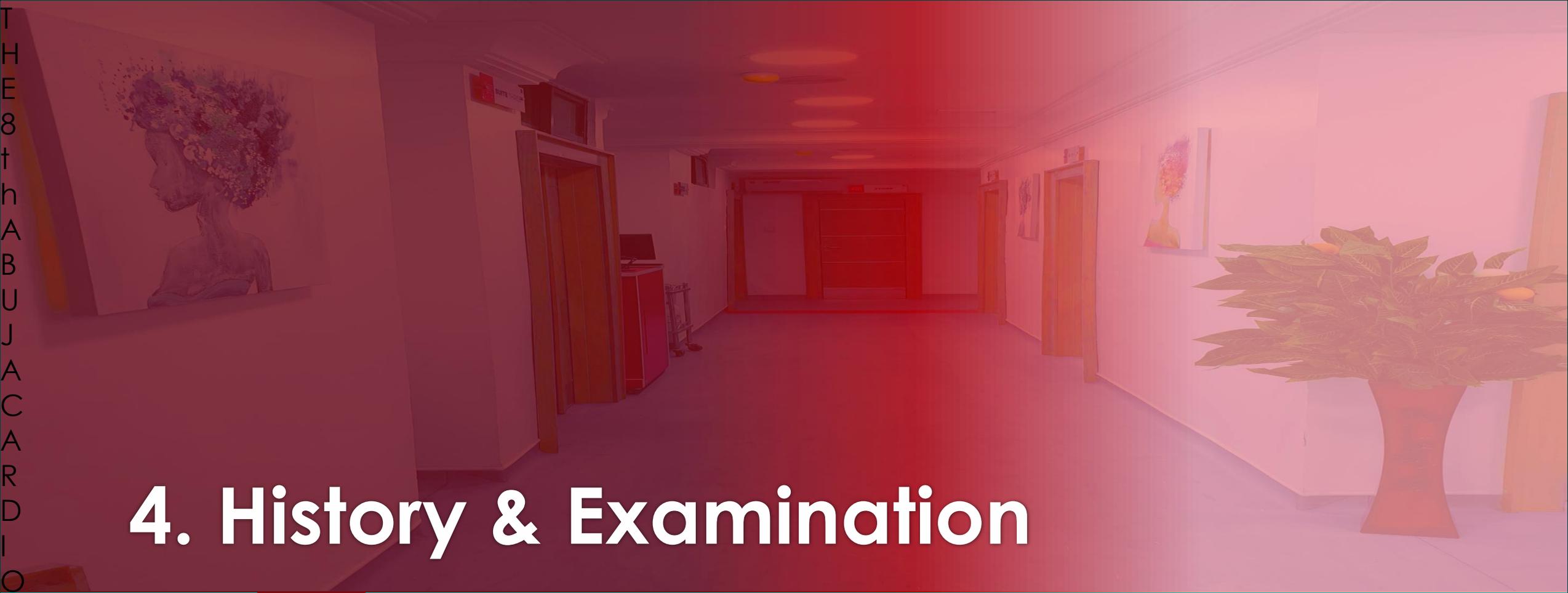
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We provide **24/7 world-class healthcare solutions** for patients, hospitals, and their doctors in:

- ✓ **Interventional Cardiology (Cathlab)**
- ✓ **Endocrinology, Diabetology & Metabolic Medicine**
- ✓ **Cardiology**
- ✓ **Nephrology, Transplant & Dialysis**
- ✓ **Neurology**
- ✓ **Rheumatology**
- ✓ **Pulmonology**
- ✓ **Critical Care**
- ✓ **Cardiothoracic Surgery**
- ✓ **General Internal Medicine**
- ✓ **Comprehensive Medical Checkups**





4. History & Examination

HISTORY



History and symptoms of HMOD, CVD, stroke, and renal disease

Brain and eyes: headache, vertigo, syncope, impaired vision, TIA, sensory or motor deficit, stroke, carotid revascularization, cognitive impairment, or dementia (in the elderly)

Heart: chest pain, shortness of breath, oedema, myocardial infarction, coronary revascularization, syncope, history of palpitations, arrhythmias (especially AF), heart failure

Kidney: thirst, polyuria, nocturia, haematuria, urinary tract infections

Peripheral arteries: cold extremities, intermittent claudication, pain-free walking distance, pain at rest, peripheral revascularization

Patient or family history of CKD (e.g. polycystic kidney disease)

HISTORY



Risk factors

Family and personal history of hypertension, CVD, stroke, or renal disease

Family and personal history of associated risk factors (e.g. familial hypercholesterolaemia)

Smoking history

Dietary history and salt intake

Alcohol consumption

Lack of physical exercise/sedentary lifestyle

History of erectile dysfunction

Sleep history, snoring, sleep apnoea (information also from partner)

Previous hypertension in pregnancy/pre-eclampsia

How to refer patients to Consider Cardiocare

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4. **Email:** frontdesk@cardiocare.ng
5. **Visit:** 5, Giza Close Area 11, Garki (off Dunukofia Street- near FCDA) Abuja-FCT.
6. Kindly indicate Doctor's name, & email/phone number especially if you wish to receive a medical report afterwards.



HISTORY



History of possible secondary hypertension

Young onset of grade 2 or 3 hypertension (< 40 years), or sudden development of hypertension or rapidly worsening BP in older patients

History of renal/urinary tract disease

Recreational drug/substance abuse/concurrent therapies: corticosteroids, nasal vasoconstrictor, chemotherapy, yohimbine, liquorice

Repetitive episodes of sweating, headache, anxiety, palpitations, suggestive of pheochromocytoma

History of spontaneous or diuretic-provoked hypokalaemia, episodes of muscle weakness, and tetany (hyperaldosteronism)

Symptoms suggestive of thyroid disease or hyperparathyroidism

History of or current pregnancy and oral contraceptive use

History of sleep apnoea

HISTORY



Antihypertensive drug treatment

Current/past antihypertensive medication including effectiveness and intolerance to previous medications

Adherence to therapy

EXAMINATION



Body habitus

Signs of HMOD

Neurological examination and cognitive status

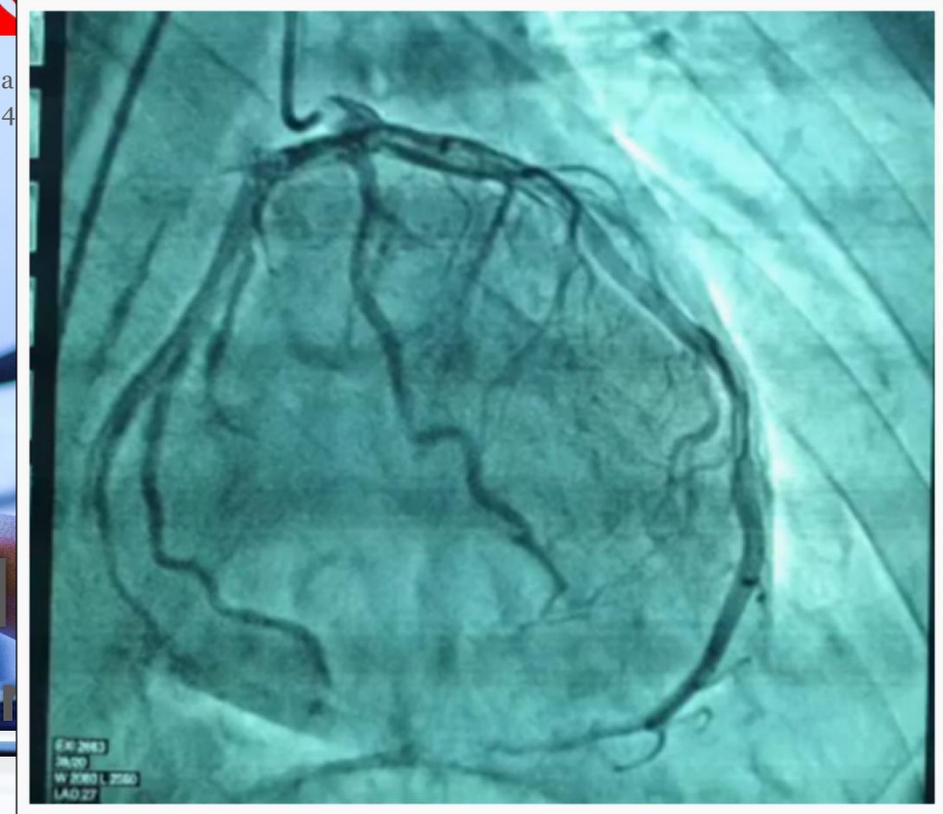
Fundoscopic examination for hypertensive retinopathy

Palpation and auscultation of heart and carotid arteries

Palpation of peripheral arteries

Comparison of BP in both arms (at least once)

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EXAMINATION



Secondary hypertension

Skin inspection – cafe-au-lait patches of neurofibromatosis (phaeochromocytoma)

Kidney palpation for signs of renal enlargement in polycystic kidney disease

Auscultation of heart and renal arteries for murmurs or bruits indicative of aortic coarctation or renovascular hypertension

Comparison of radial with femoral pulse – to detect radio-femoral delay in aortic coarctation

Signs of Cushing's disease or acromegaly

Signs of thyroid disease

5-Step Approach-

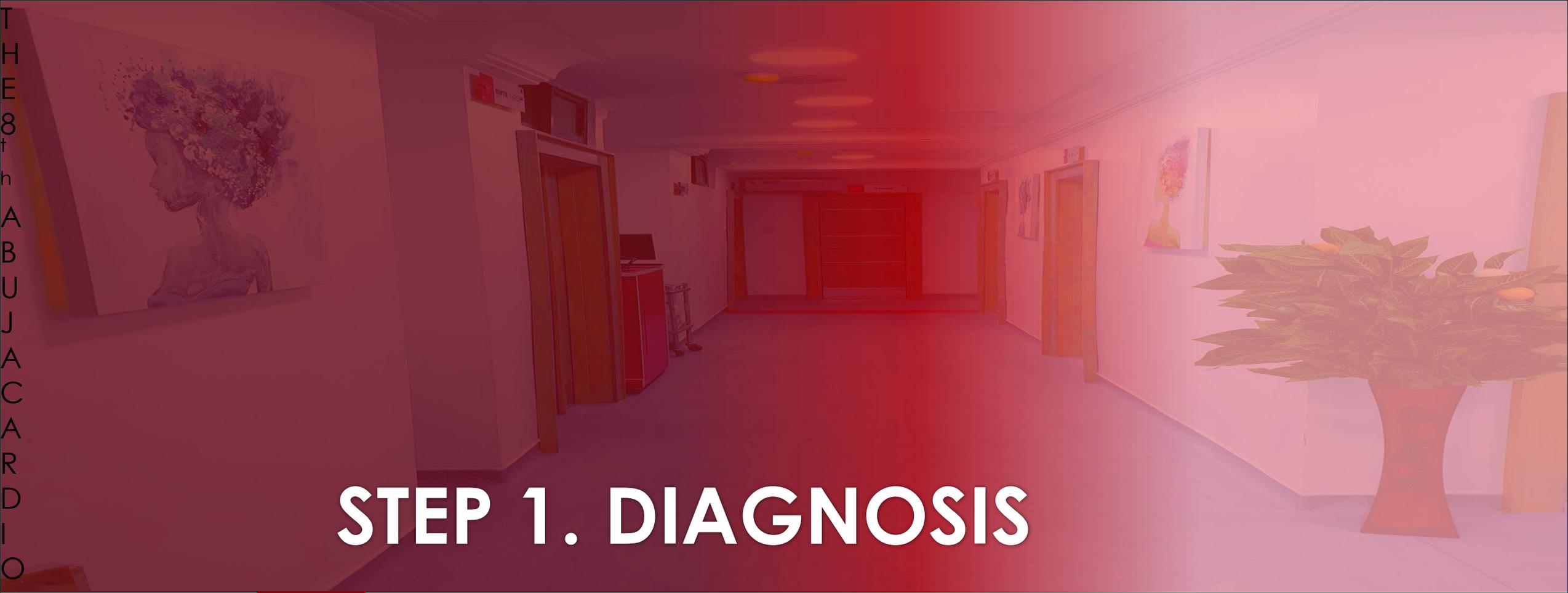
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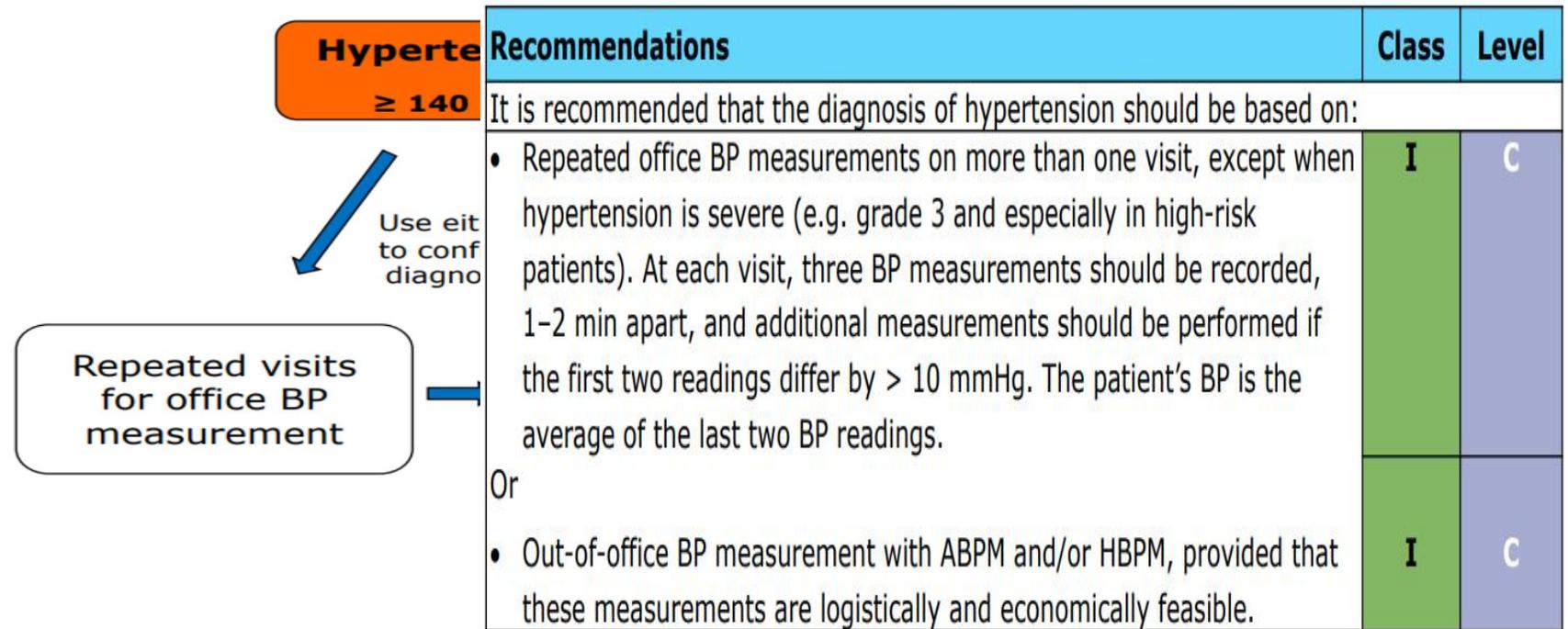


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1A. DIAGNOSIS

Screening and diagnosis of hypertension



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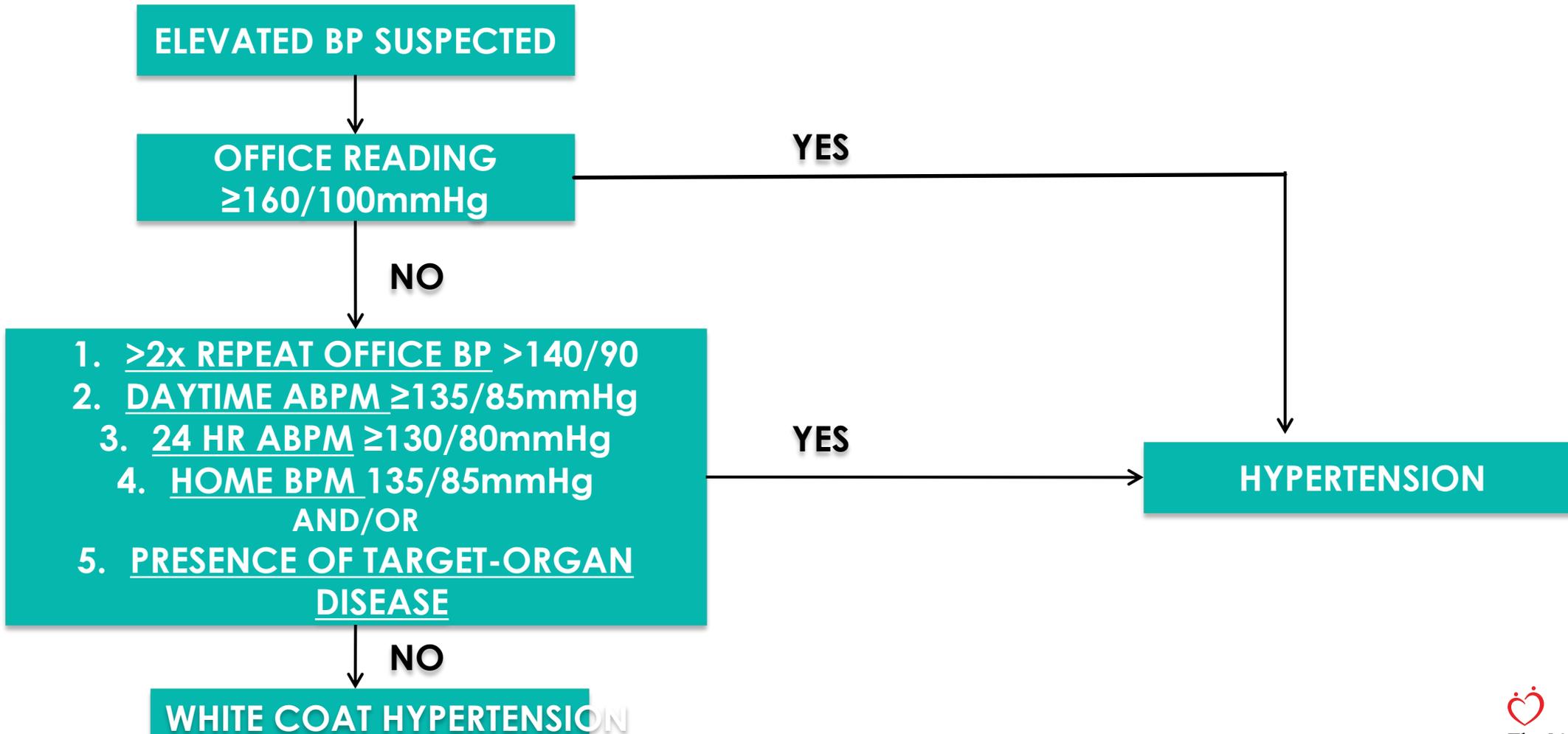


Our Experience- Coronary

- The predominant procedures
 - 233 (51.3%) diagnostic coronary
 - 90 (19.8%) percutaneous interv



1B. HYPERTENSION: CLINIC DIAGNOSIS



1C. DIAGNOSIS

Recommendations	Class	Level
It is recommended that the diagnosis of hypertension should be based on:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Repeated office BP measurements on more than one visit, except when hypertension is severe (e.g. grade 3 and especially in high-risk patients). At each visit, three BP measurements should be recorded, 1–2 min apart, and additional measurements should be performed if the first two readings differ by > 10 mmHg. The patient’s BP is the average of the last two BP readings.	I	C
Or		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Out-of-office BP measurement with ABPM and/or HBPM, provided that these measurements are logistically and economically feasible.	I	C



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STEP 2. Risk Stratification?

2A. Why Investigate?



- 1. Find and alleviate Target Organ Damage/Hypertension Mediated Organ Damage- **HMOD**** (*Hypertension Mediated Organ Dysfunction*).
 - *ECG, Echocardiography, Kidney Function, Lipids, Glycemic Profile, Uric Acid, History, Examination*
 - *Confirm/Exclude Established Cardiovascular Disease and Secondary Causes.*
- 2. Risk stratification**
- 3. Identify other cardiovascular risk factors**
- 4. Exclude secondary hypertension**
- 5. Compelling Indications for certain drug therapy**

2B. How to Investigate?



First Line (FOR ALL)

- Urinalysis
- Serum Creatinine, Urea & Electrolytes, Uric Acid
- FBS, and/or HbA1C
- Lipid profile
- PCV or Full Blood count
- ECG- Electrocardiography
- Echocardiography and/or CXR
- Body Mass index

Second Line (FOR SOME)

- Renal Artery Doppler +/- abdominal ultrasound
- Uric Acid
- Renin Levels
- 24hr Ambulatory Blood Pressure
- Thyroid function tests
- Urine microscopy
- Cortisol Screening



Peripheral Artery and Intervention



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For Peripheral Arterial Disease- to reduce tissue loss and gangrene especially lower limb

Stenting, Balloon Angioplasty, Thrombosuction, Catheter-Directed Thrombolytic Therapy (CDTT)

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2C. Risk Assessment

Elevated Blood Pressure confirmed (2 office readings with standard approach) +/- Ambulatory Blood Pressure in high normal or suspected Masked HTN or Control of Very High Risk on Meds

ASCVD Score + Hypertension Mediated/Associated Organ Dysfunction (HMOD) Surveillance

ECG, Echocardiography, Kidney Function, Lipids, Glycemic Profile, Uric Acid, Confirm/Exclude Established Cardiovascular Disease and Secondary Causes.

EDUCATION, LIFESTYLE TREATMENT AND RISK MODIFICATION FOR ALL!

Diet, Weight Control, Salt Reduction, Exercise, Stop Smoking/Excessive Alcohol, Follow up adherence, Treat Co-Morbidities

	Other Risk Factors or HMOD	High Normal Blood Pressure	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3
Stage 1 (No HMOD)	No other risk factor	Low	Low	Moderate	High
	1 or 2 risk factors	Low	Moderate	Moderate-to-High	High
	3 or more risk factors	Low –to-Moderate Treat Risk	Moderate-to-High	High	High
Stage 2 (Asymptomatic)	HMOD, CKD Grade 3, or DM without Organ Damage	Moderate-to-High	High	High	High-to-Very High
Stage 3 (Established)	Established CVD, CKD ≥ Grade 4, or DM with	Very High	Very High	Very High	Very High

2D. Hypertension Mediated Organ Damage (HMOD)



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- Left Ventricular Hypertrophy- ECG/ECHO
- Microalbuminuria
- Proteinuria
- eGFR 30-59 ml/min
- Radiologic or Ultrasound evidence of atherosclerotic plaques
- Retinal Hemorrhages or exudates by fundoscopy

RISK STRATIFICATION CASE STUDY

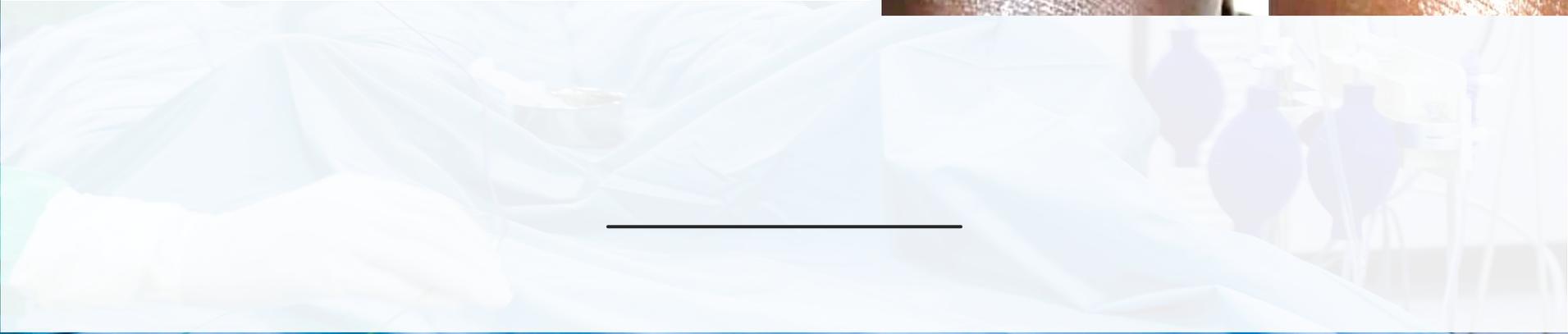
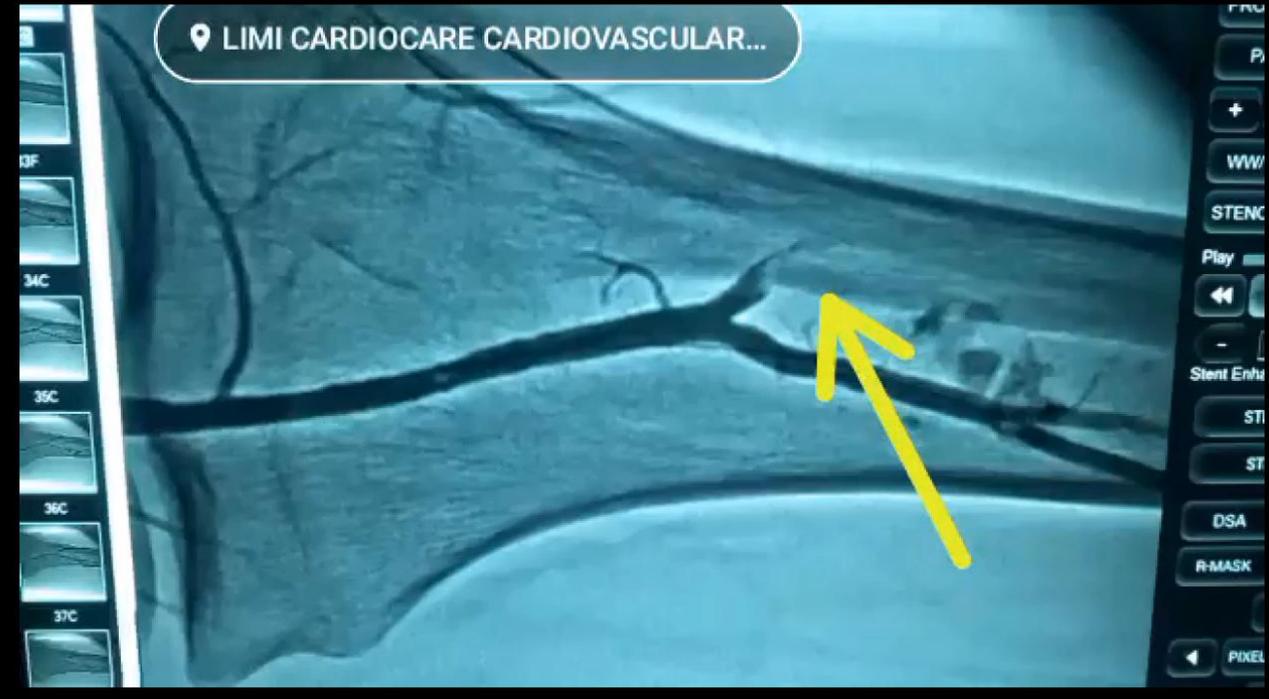
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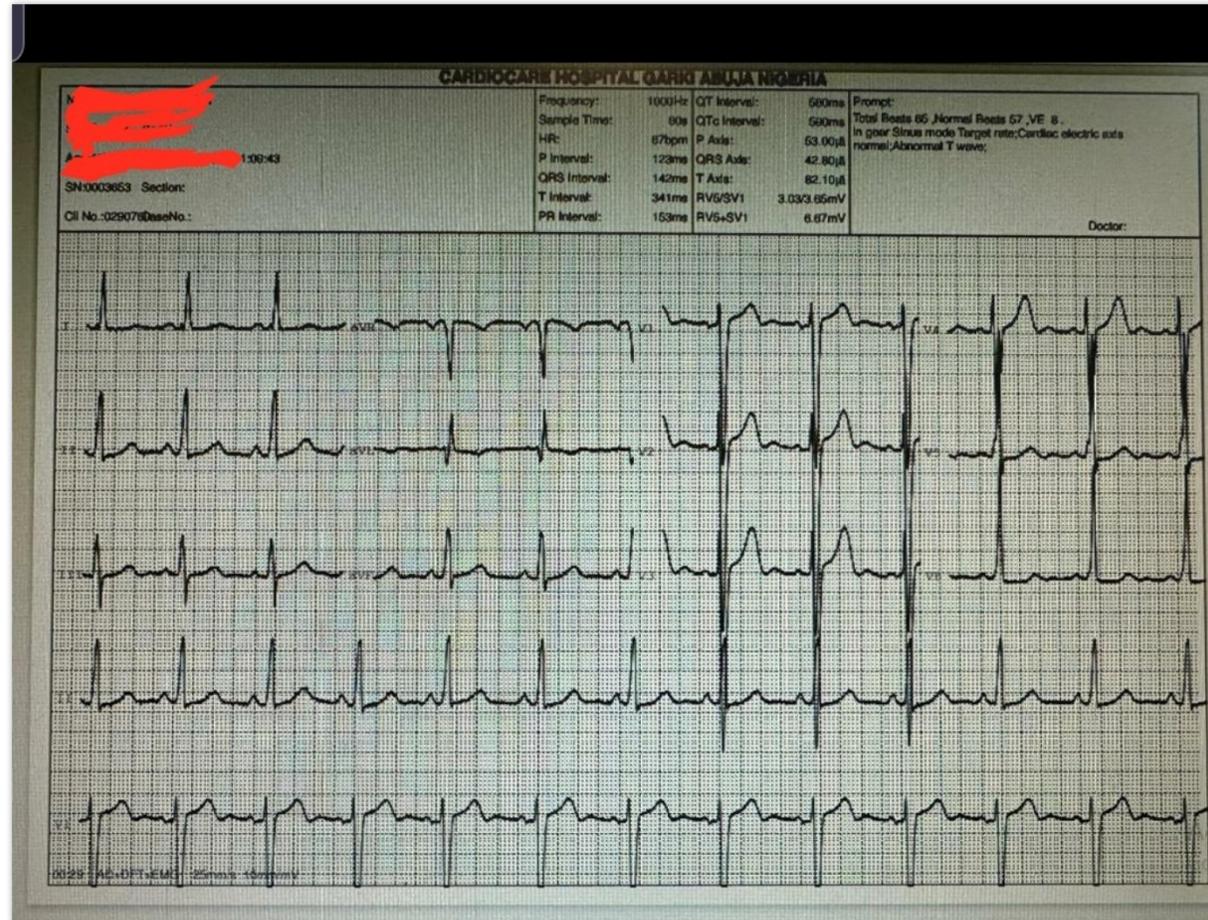
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- 49year old man presented in OPD with no complains. Had cough and went to a pharmacy where BP was checked and told it was 170/100mmhg. Not a known hypertensive or diabetic. Has a family history of hypertension in both parents
- O/E Obese, not pale, anicteric, acyanosed, nil pedal oedema
- CVS PR 84bpm, normal vol, regular
- BP 150/90mmhg
- HS S1S2
- IVS- Urinalysis +pr



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- How do we do next?
- A) Lifestyle modification
- B) Cardiovascular profile and ABPM
- C) Give Aldomet and Metoprolol
- D) Start ACEi/ARBs
- E) weight loss and repeat BP in 4/52

5-Step Approach-

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Cardiac Device Implantation, Programming & Replacement

Pacemakers, Implantable Defibrillators, Cardiac Resynchronization
Devices





STEP 3. Education

The Most Important Component and Bedrock of Hypertension Treatment in Nigeria is _____

EDUCATION, EDUCATION, EDUCATION!!!



3. Education



- Disease nature
- Cardiovascular Disease
- Risk Profile
- Investigations
- Hypertension-Mediated/Associated Organ Damager (HMOD)
- Diet
- Salt Intake
- Lifestyle Modifications

5-Step Approach-

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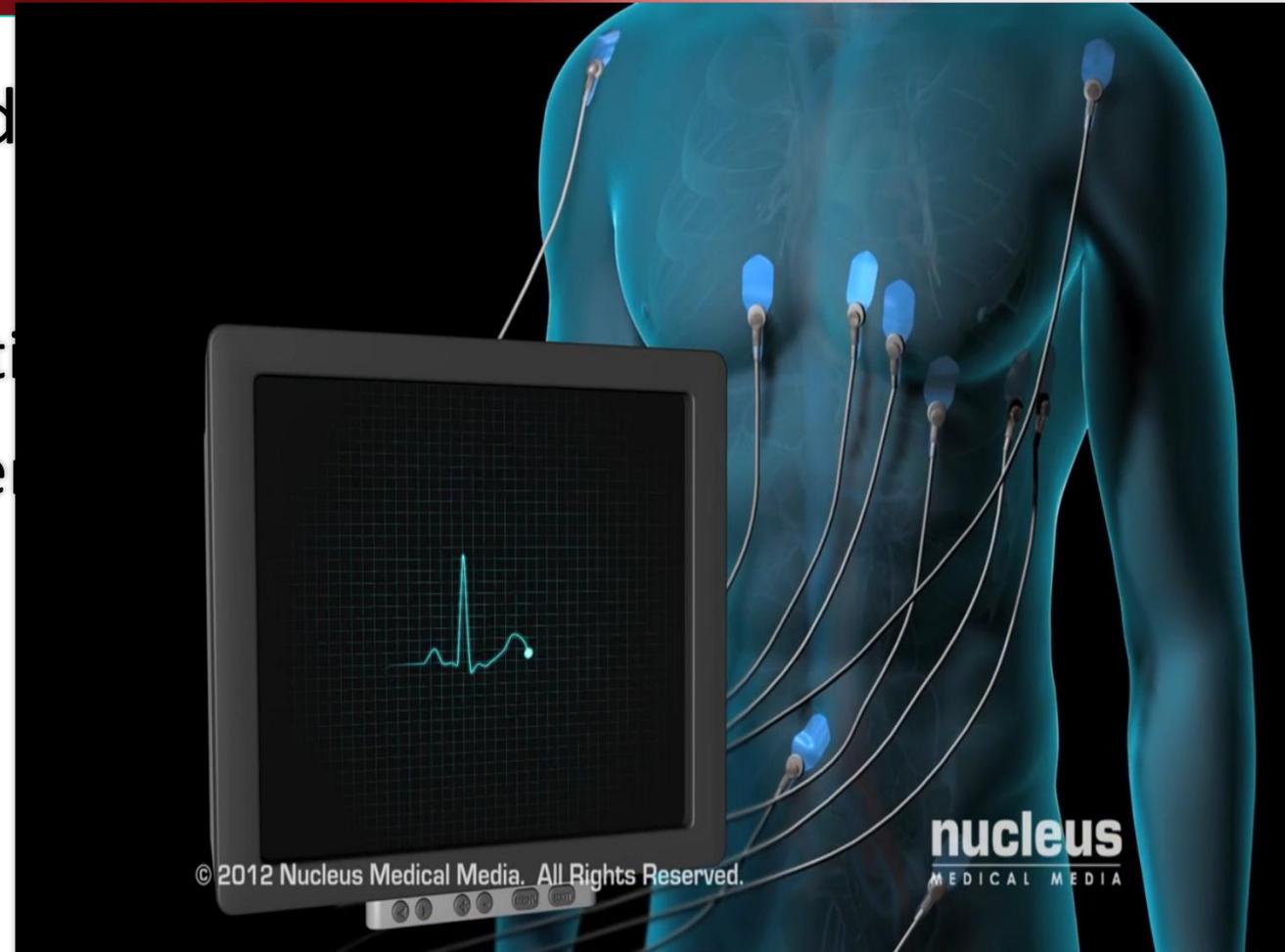
Our Experience- Cardiac Devices



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Reversing Medical Tourism

- 43 (9.5%) permanent cardiac devices
 - 20 (4.4%) Pacemakers,
 - 14 (3.1%) Cardiac resynchronization therapy,
 - 9 (2.0%) implantable cardioverter defibrillators



STEP 4. Treat to Target

Don't Just Treat



4. Treat to Target- Don't just Treat!



Age group	Office SBP treatment target ranges (mmHg)					Office DBP treatment target range (mmHg)
	Hypertension	+ Diabetes	+ CKD	+ CAD	+ Stroke ^a /TIA	
18-65 years	Target to 130 <i>or lower if tolerated</i> Not <120	Target to 130 <i>or lower if tolerated</i> Not <120	Target to <140 to 130 <i>if tolerated</i>	Target to 130 <i>or lower if tolerated</i> Not <120	Target to 130 <i>or lower if tolerated</i> Not <120	70-79
65-79 years ^b	Target to 130-139 <i>if tolerated</i>	Target to 130-139 <i>if tolerated</i>	Target to 130-139 <i>if tolerated</i>	Target to 130-139 <i>if tolerated</i>	Target to 130-139 <i>if tolerated</i>	70-79
≥80 years ^b	Target to 130-139 <i>if tolerated</i>	Target to 130-139 <i>if tolerated</i>	Target to 130-139 <i>if tolerated</i>	Target to 130-139 <i>if tolerated</i>	Target to 130-139 <i>if tolerated</i>	70-79
Office DBP treatment target range (mmHg)	70-79	70-79	70-79	70-79	70-79	

CAD = coronary artery disease; CKD = chronic kidney disease (includes diabetic and non-diabetic CKD); DBP = diastolic blood pressure; SBP = systolic blood pressure; TIA = transient ischaemic attack.

^aRefers to patients with previous stroke and does not refer to blood pressure targets immediately after acute stroke.

^bTreatment decisions and blood pressure targets may need to be modified in older patients who are frail and independent.

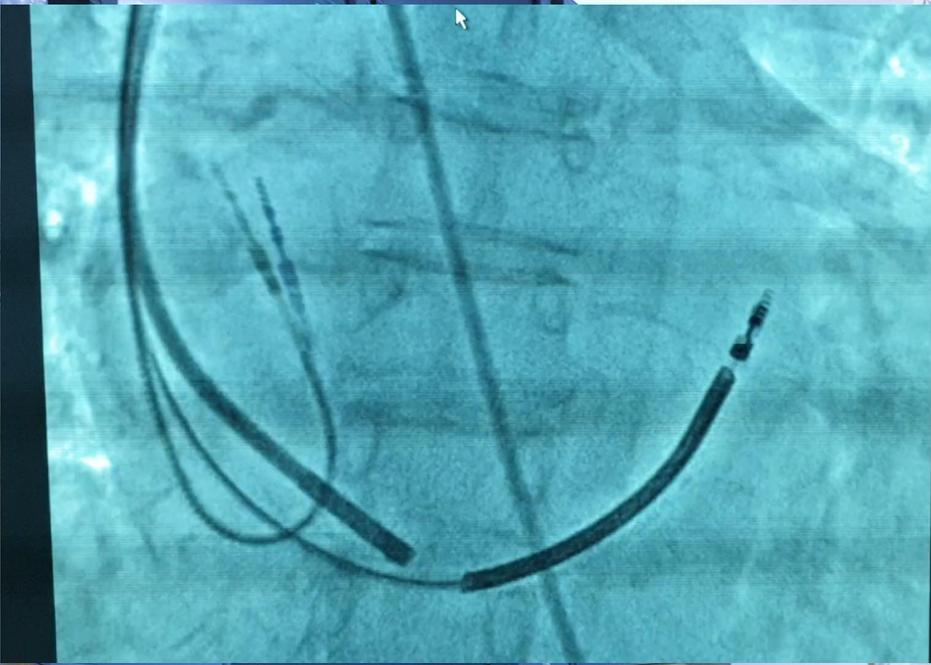
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4.1 Lifestyle modification

- ❖ Lifestyle changes is still the core
- ❖ Low sodium diet
- ❖ Weight loss
- ❖ Healthy eating
- ❖ Exercise
- ❖ Alcohol/ Smoking
- ❖ Reducing salt intake (to less than 5g daily).
- ❖ Eating more fruit and vegetables.
- ❖ Being physically active on a regular basis.
- ❖ Avoiding use of tobacco.
- ❖ Reducing alcohol consumption.
- ❖ Limiting the intake of foods high in saturated fats.
- ❖ Eliminating/reducing trans fats in diet.

4.2 Starting Pharmacologic Treatment?



	HIGH NORMAL (130-139/85-89)	GRADE 1 WITH LOW TO MODERATE RISK (140-159/90-99)	GRADE 1 WITH HIGH OR VERY HIGH RISK (140-159/90-99)	GRADE 2 HYPERTENSION (160-179/100-109)	GRADE 3 HYPERTENSION (≥180/110)
LIFESTYLE TREATMENT	YES				
DRUG THERAPY	NOT YET EXCEPT IN VERY HIGH RISK WITH CVD ESP CAD	DRUG TREATMENT IF NO CONTROL AFTER 3-6MONTHS OF LIFESTLYE	DRUG TREATMENT ESP IF CVD, RENAL DISEASE OR HMOD	IMMEDIATE DRUG TREATMENT IN ALL PATIENTS	
TARGET BLOOD PRESSURE	AIM FOR <130/70-79 systolic within 3 months Consider ABPM in high and very risk patients				

4.3 Preferred/Compelling Drug Choice in Hypertension



Cardiac Disease	
Left Ventricular Hypertrophy/Dysfunction	ACEI, ARB, β -blocker
Heart Failure	ACEI, ARB, β -blocker, MRA
Angina/Ischaemic Heart Disease	β -blocker, CCB
Stroke	CCB, diuretic, ACEI.
Nephropathy	ACEI, ARB, diuretic
Diabetes	ACEI, ARB, thiazide-like diuretic, CCB.
Elderly	Diuretic, CCB.
Pregnancy	α -methyldopa, CCB(Nifedipine), Labetalol, hydralazine

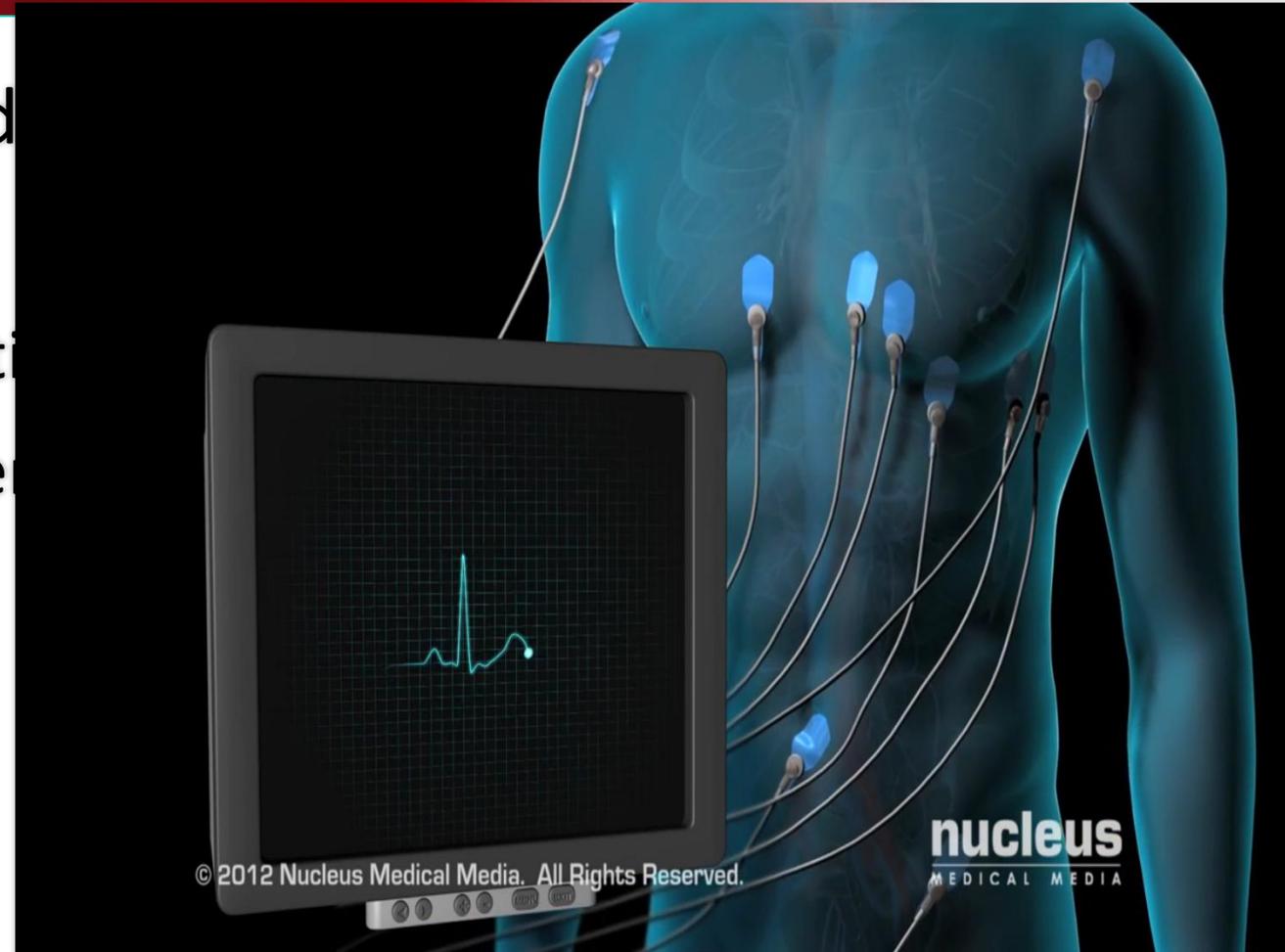
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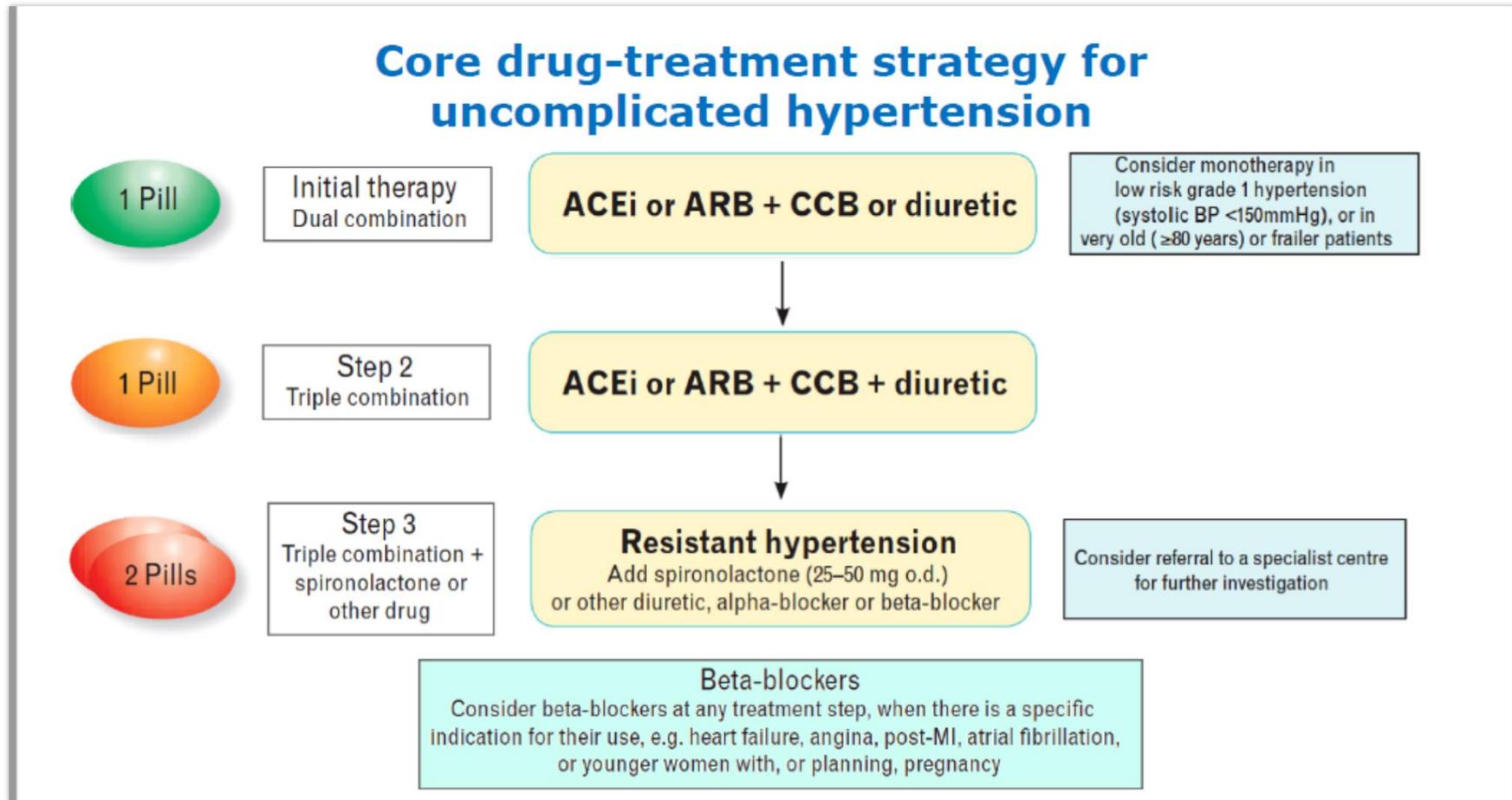




Compelling and possible contraindications to the use of specific antihypertensive drugs

Drug	Contraindications	
	Compelling	Possible
Diuretics (thiazides/thiazide-type, e.g. chlorthalidone and indapamide)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Gout	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Metabolic syndromeGlucose intolerancePregnancyHypercalcemiaHypokalemia
Beta-blockers	<ul style="list-style-type: none">AsthmaAny high-grade sino-atrial or atrioventricular blockBradycardia (heart rate < 60 beats per min)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Metabolic syndromeGlucose intoleranceAthletes and physically active patients
Calcium antagonists (dihydropyridines)		<ul style="list-style-type: none">TachyarrhythmiaHeart failure (HFrEF, class III or IV)Pre-existing severe leg oedema
Calcium antagonists (verapamil, diltiazem)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Any high-grade sino-atrial or AV blockSevere LV dysfunction (LV EF < 40%)Bradycardia (heart rate < 60 beats per min)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Constipation
ACE inhibitors	<ul style="list-style-type: none">PregnancyPrevious angioneurotic oedemaHyperkalemia (potassium > 5.5 mmol/L)Bilateral renal artery stenosis	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Women of child-bearing potential without reliable contraception
ARBs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">PregnancyHyperkalemia (potassium > 5.5 mmol/L)Bilateral renal artery stenosis	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Women of child-bearing potential without reliable contraception

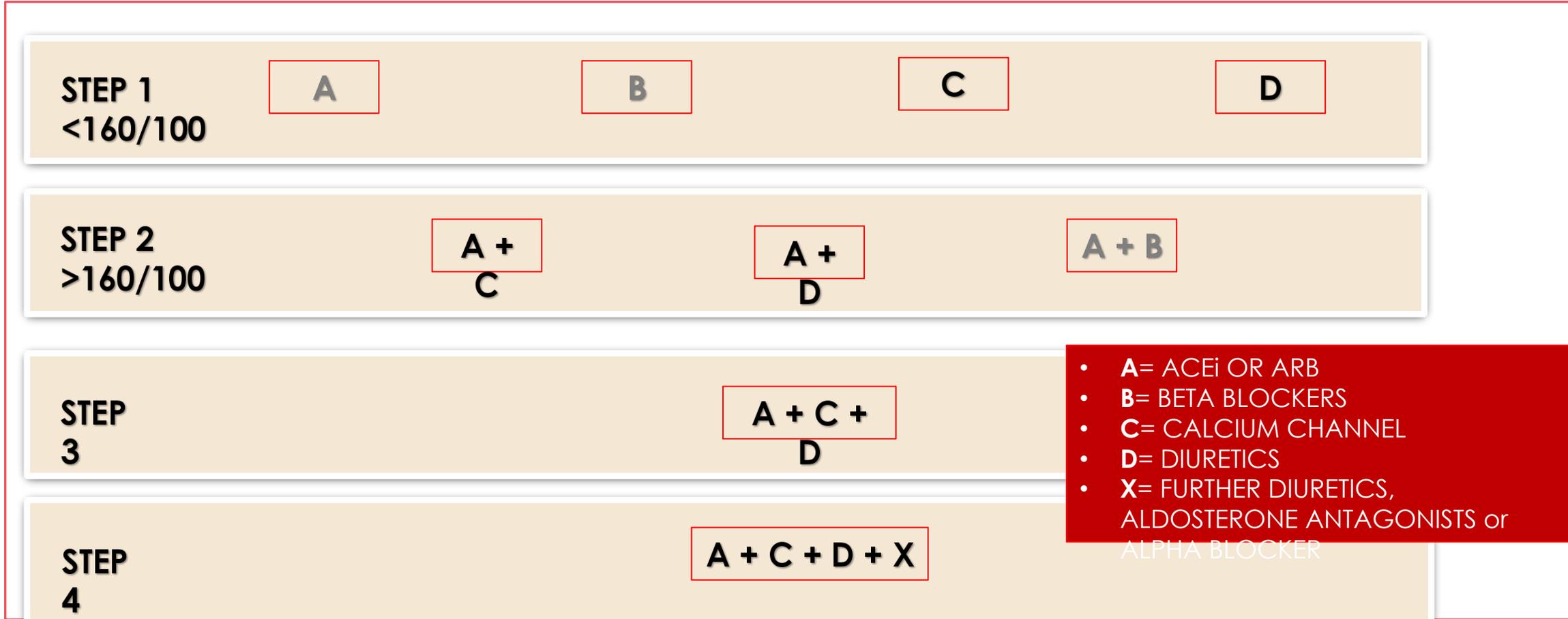
4.4 Escalation of Drugs



4.3 Escalation of Drugs in

Hypertension:

Start Low, Combine, then Increase till Target





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Hypertension:

Start Low dose, Combine and then Increase Dose



■ **Step 1:**

- People aged <55: initial therapy with an ACE-I/ARB. Or CCB+ACEIARB combination
- People aged >55: initial therapy with a CCB.
- *Black patients (any age): CCB or Thiazide-like Diuretic is preferred*
- And Follow Compelling Indication

■ **Step 2:**

- Add ACE-I (or low-cost ARB) to CCB (or vice versa) or *Thiazide-like* Diuretics.

■ **Step 3:**

- Before considering step 3 treatment, ensure step 2 treatment is at optimal, or best tolerated dose.
- Add Other agents including aldosterone antagonists
- Look for uncontrolled risk and precipitators

4.7 Aspirin and statins

- Consider prescribing other drugs that modify CV risk.
- **Aspirin 75mg od:**
 - Reserved for ONLY secondary prevention of CV disease.
 - BUT Occasionally, primary prevention in hypertensives with 10-year CV risk > 20% and BP <150/90mmHg, with no contraindication.
- **Statin therapy:**
 - primary prevention in hypertensives with 10-year CV risk > 20% and BP <150/90mmHg, with no contraindication.
 - secondary prevention in all with overt CV disease, including hypercholesterolemia or LDL.
 - Targets (whichever is the greatest reduction)
 - reduction in total cholesterol by 25% or
 - reduction in LDL cholesterol by 30% or

Recommendations	Class	Level
Antiplatelet therapy, in particular low-dose aspirin, is recommended for secondary prevention in hypertensive patients.	I	A
Aspirin is not recommended for primary prevention in hypertensive patients without CVD.	III	A

5-Step Approach- DR. ETC



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- 1. Diagnose.**
- 2. Risk Stratify.**
- 3. Educate.**
- 4. Treat to Target.**
- 5. Clinic Follow up.**

Indications for permanent pacing



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- In bradycardia caused by reversible etiologies, permanent pacing is not warranted.
- The **indication for pacing is based on the severity of bradycardia** rather than its etiology.
- Symptomatic sinus bradycardia as a result of medical therapy is an indication for permanent pacing if there are no alternative treatment options.
- Typically from:
 1. Sinus Node Dysfunction
 2. AV Block



Step 5. Clinic Follow Up

5.1 Follow up



- 1. Follow Up for Life**
- 2. Home BP Monitoring**
- 3. Yearly Organ Function (HMOD) Survey**
- 4. Low CV Risk may be managed in primary care settings**
- 5. Intervals**
 - 1-4 weekly follow up till target is reached
 - 3-4 monthly follow up once target is reached .

5.2 What to Do at Follow Up

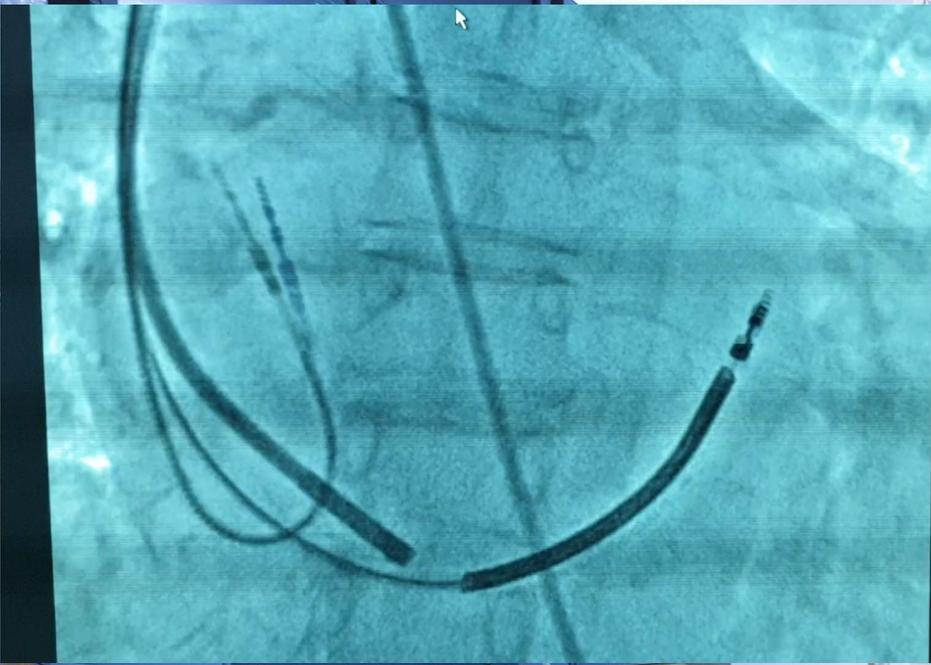


- Re-education
- Review of adherence & possible side effects
- Surveillance for Established Cardiovascular Disease Complications
 - Edema, Chest Pain, TIA, Claudication, etc
- Review of other CV risk-
 - DM, Uric Acid, Peripheral Artery Disease, Lipids, Proteinuria, etc.
- Review of HMOD once yearly
- Adjust of medications to target



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5.3 General Follow Up Targets



1. BMI

- <30

2. Blood Pressure

- <125/75 if DM + Proteinuria
- <130/80 if other HMOD
- <140/90 if no HMOD or other risk factor

3. Pulse

- 60-90 typically
- 55-70 if Heart Failure or Ischemic Heart Disease , CVD, Investigations as appropriate



HYPERTENSION IN SPECIAL SITUATIONS



6. Hypertensive Crises

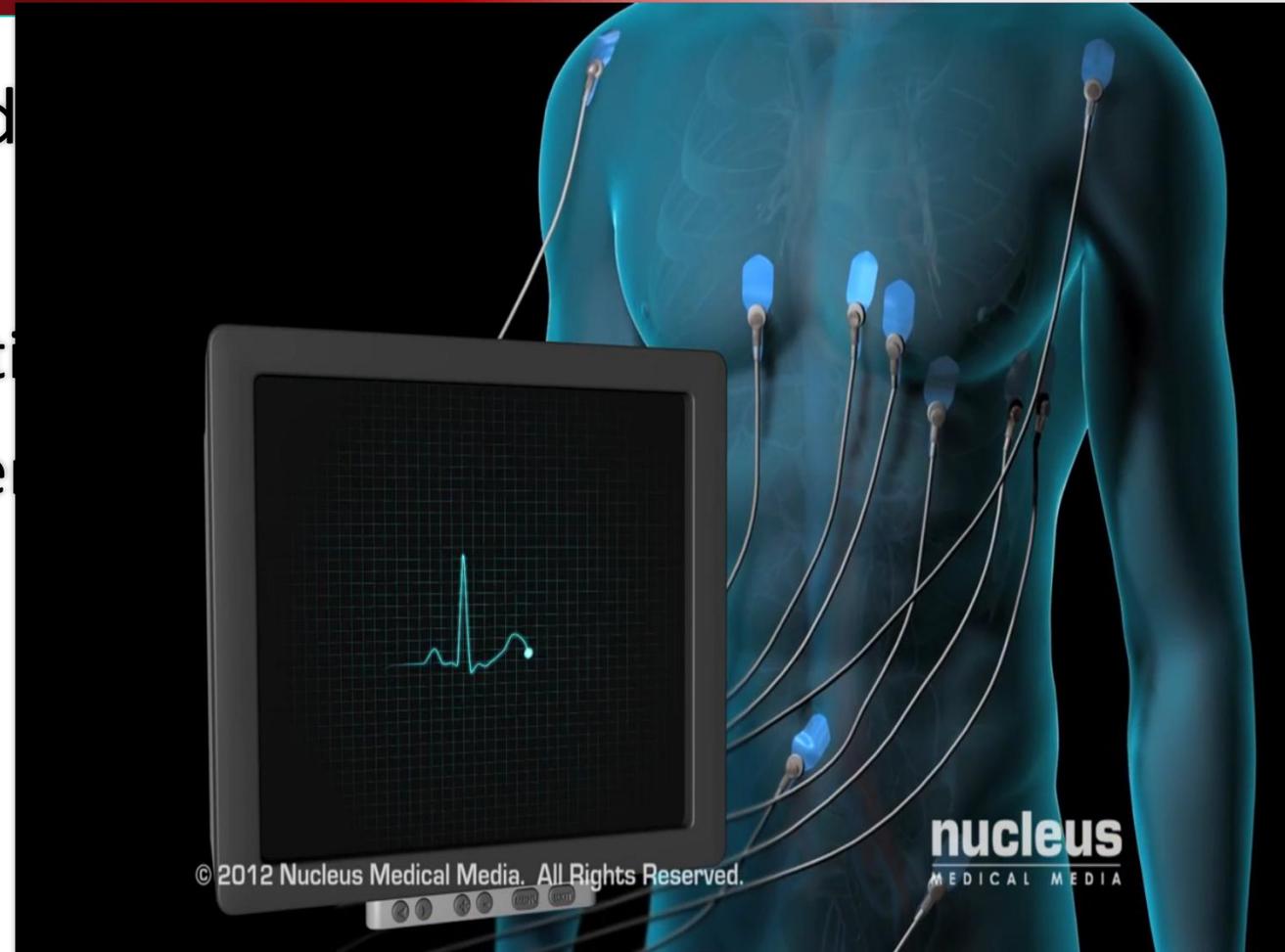
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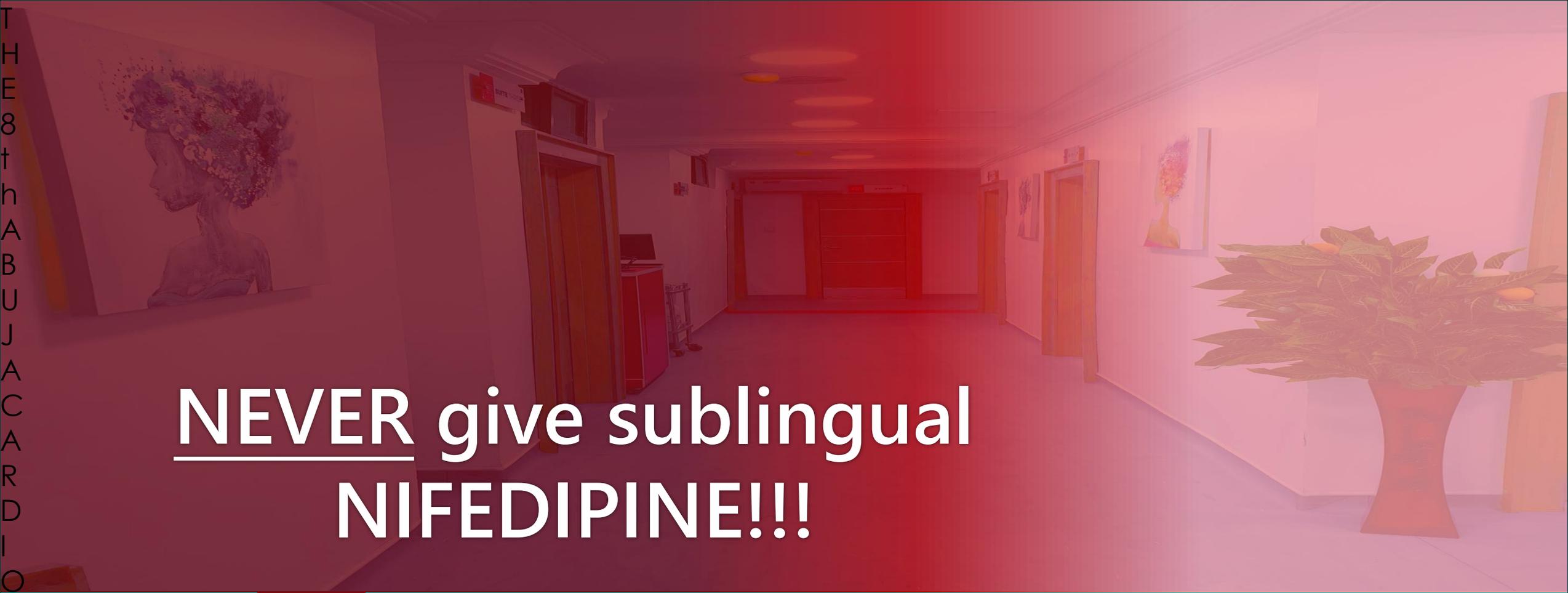


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6.1 HYPERTENSIVE CRISIS

- Hypertensive crises are **ACUTE, SEVERE ELEVATIONS IN BLOOD PRESSURE** typically above 180/110 mmHg
 - +/- acute/new, on-going, hypertension-mediated, target-organ damage target-organ dysfunction.
 - A. HYPERTENSIVE URGENCY:**
 - ABSENCE OF acute/new, on-going, hypertension-mediated, target-organ damage target-organ dysfunction
 - B. HYPERTENSIVE EMERGENCY:**
 - PRESENCE OF acute/new, on-going, hypertension-mediated, target-organ damage target-organ dysfunction
- *Hypertensive urgency is two to three times more common than hypertensive emergency*



**NEVER give sublingual
NIFEDIPINE!!!**



**INSTANTLY CRASHING
DOWN BLOOD PRESSURE
THAT WAS VERY HIGH IS
ALMOST ALWAYS A BAD
IDEA!!!**

EXCEPT IN VERY FEW CIRCUMSTANCES



Hypertensive crisis

Are there findings of acute target organ damage?

- Brain (Stroke, ICH)
- Retina (Hemorrhages, papilledema)
- Heart (ACS-chest pain & ADHF or Pul Edema)
- Kidneys (AKI)

No

Confirm persistent elevation despite 20 – 30mins of rest

Symptoms attributable to high blood pressure?

No

Urgency

- Adjust long-acting medication.
- Follow-up in 1-7 days

Yes

Urgency

- TREAT any pain or full bladder
- Give “rapid” oral agent
- Adjust long-acting medications
- Discharge when symptoms have improved and blood pressure is <180/110mm Hg
- Follow-up in 1-7days

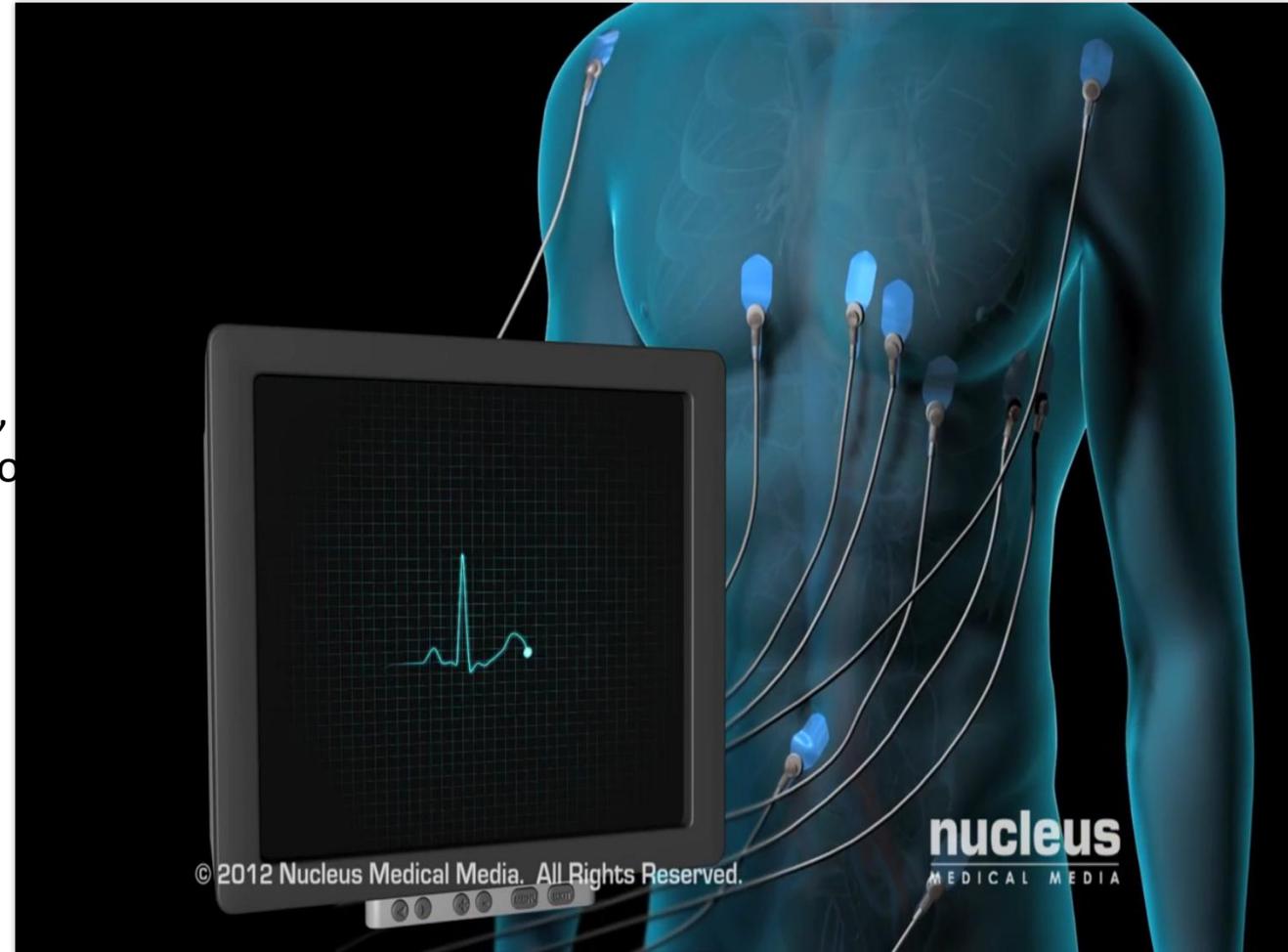
Yes

Emergency

- Admit to ICU
- Start IV treatment immediately
- Select drug according to indication
- Lower blood pressure according to pattern of organ injury
- Start or resume long acting medication during first 6-12 hrs of treatment
- Reach target by 48 hrs

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6.2 BP Treatment Goals for Hypertensive Emergency



Goal Time ^a	BP Target
First hour	Reduce MAP by 25% (while maintaining goal DBP \geq 100 mm Hg)
Hours 2–6	SBP 160 mm Hg and/or DBP 100–110 mm Hg
Hours 6–24	Maintain goal for hours 2–6 during first 24 hr
24–48 hr	Outpatient BP goals according to the 2017 Guidelines for Management of High Blood Pressure in Adults

6.3 Ideal drugs for Emergencies



- Rapid onset
- Short acting
- Predictable BP lowering effect- no precipitous fall in BP



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6.4 Hypertensive Emergency Drug Treatments-1

Emergency	First Line	AVOID!!!	***Caveat***
Hypertensive Encephalopathy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nitroprusside 0.25-10 ug/kg/min Labetalol 20-80mg IV bolus every 10mins, 0.5-2 mg/min Nicardipine 5-15 mg/hr 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clonidine Trimetophan NSAIDs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> MUST rule out Strokes
Cerebral Infarction or Hemorrhage (Stroke)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Labetalol 20-80mg IV bolus every 10mins, 0.5-2 mg/min Nitroprusside 0.25-10 ug/kg/min Nicardipine 5-15 mg/hr 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Avoid Hydralazine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Don't treat to Normal Avoid Decreased Cerebral Perfusion Treat Cerebral Edema first Then Treat ONLY if BP: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> >220/120 (no thrombolytics) >185/110 (thrombolytics)
Eclampsia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Labetalol 20-80mg IV bolus every 10mins, 0.5-2 mg/min Nicardipine 5-15 mg/hr Magnesium 6g loading dose, then 2g/hr 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Avoid Enalaprilat Avoid Nitroprusside 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Consider Emergent delivery

6.4 Hypertensive Emergency Drug Treatments-2

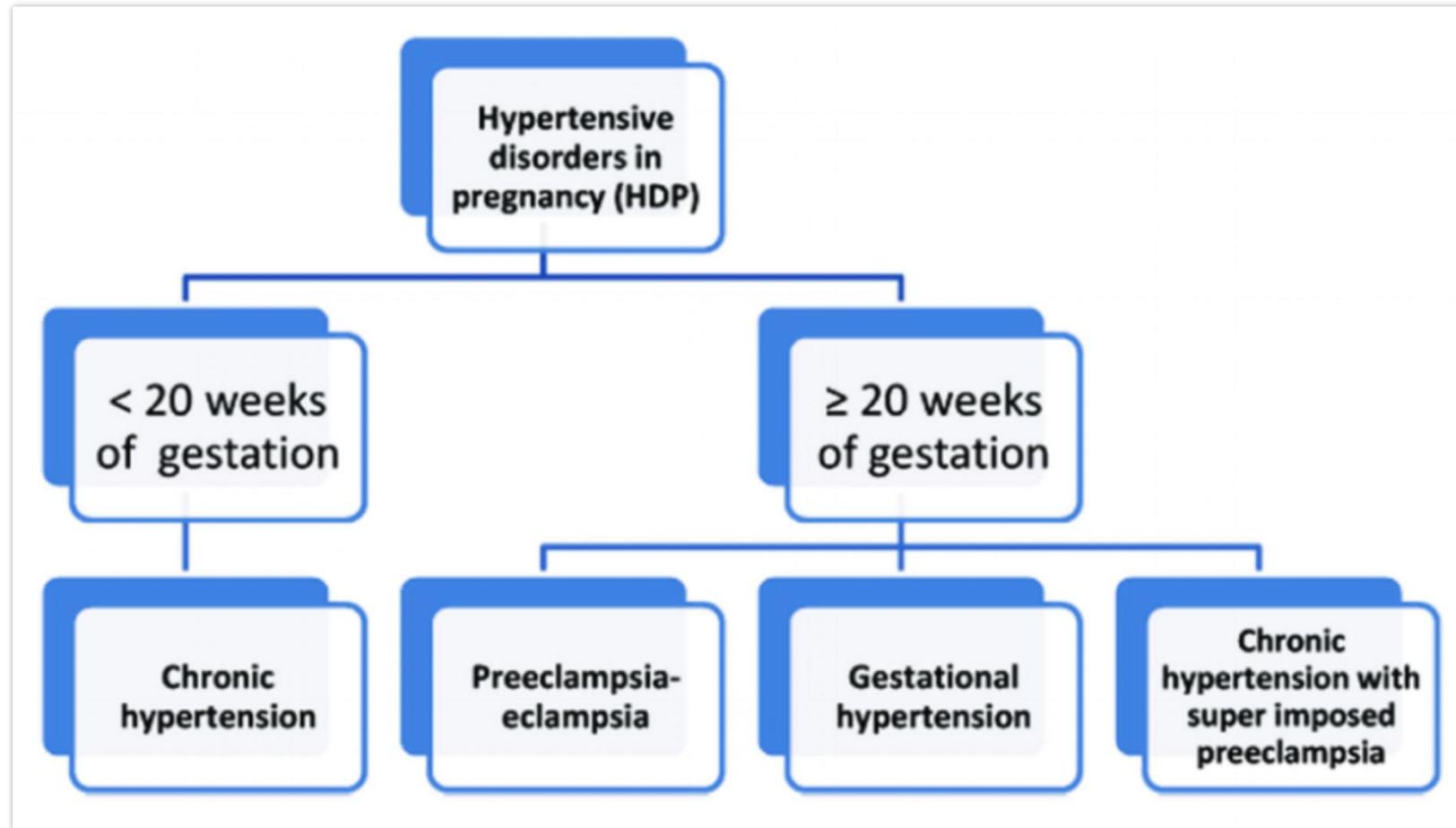
Emergency	First Line	AVOID!!!	***Caveat***
Acute Myocardial Infarction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nitroglycerin 5-100 ug/min Labetalol 20-80mg IV bolus every 10mins, 0.5-2 mg/min Nitroprusside 0.25-10 ug/kg/min 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AVOID Hydralazine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Increase coronary perfusion Decrease afterload
Acute Left Ventricular Failure/Pulmonary Edema	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nitroglycerin 5-100 ug/min Nitroprusside 0.25-10 ug/kg/min Enaprilat 1.25-5mg every 6hours (+ Diuresis) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AVOID Labetalol 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decrease Afterload
Aortic Dissection	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Labetalol 20-80mg IV bolus every 10mins, 0.5-2 mg/min Nitroprusside 0.25-10 ug/kg/min 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Avoid Hydralazine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decrease dP/dT shearing forces
Catecholamine Excess	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phentolamine 5-10mg/min Labetalol 20-80mg IV bolus every 10mins, 0.5-2 mg/min Nitroprusside 0.25-10 ug/kg/min 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Avoid unopposed Beta Blocker Consider benzodiazepines for cocaine toxicity

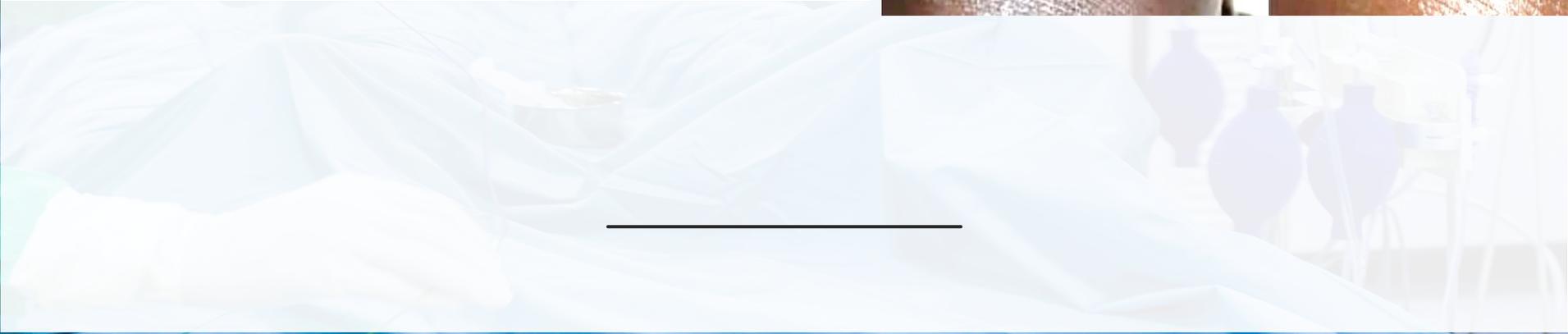
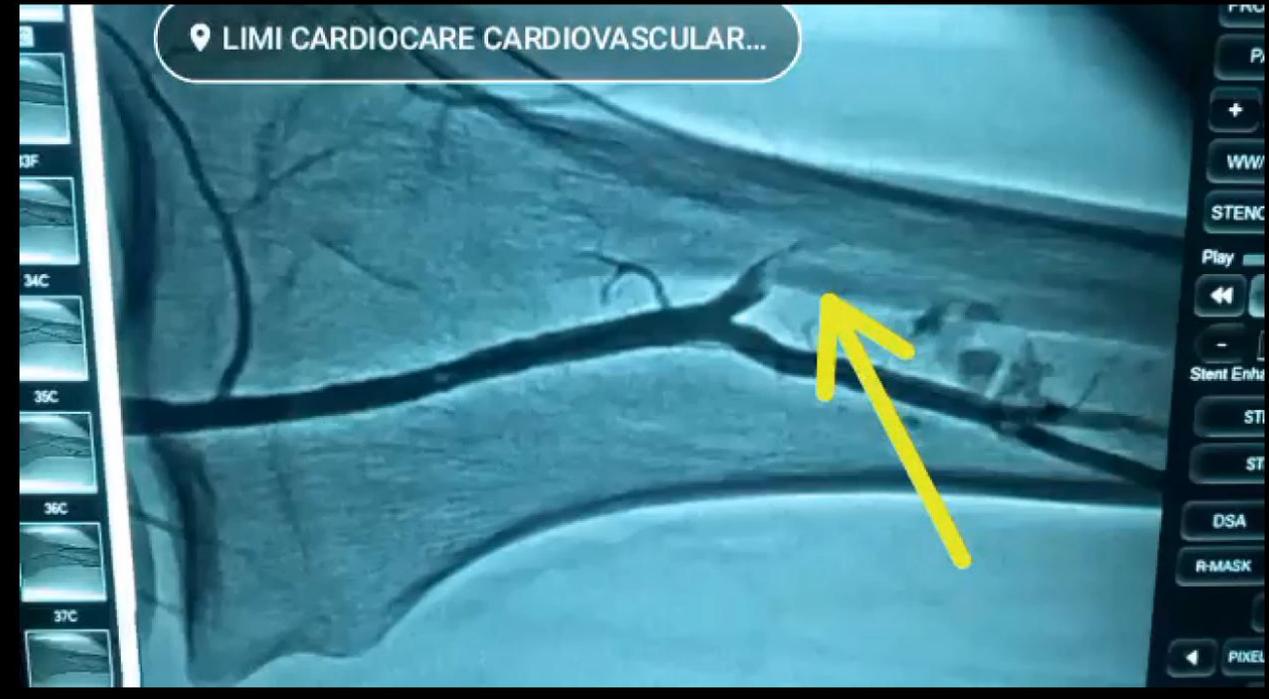


7. Hypertension in Pregnancy



7.1 Classification of Hypertensive Disorders In Pregnancy





7.2 Hypertension in Pregnancy: Treatment cut-off



- Regardless of the hypertensive disorder of pregnancy, BPs consistently at or $>140/90$ mm Hg in clinic or office (or $\geq 135/85$ mm Hg at home) should be treated
- BP requires urgent treatment in a monitored setting when severe ($>160/110$ mm Hg);

7.3 Safe medications in Pregnancy

- Methyldopa
- Labetalol
- Nifedipine
- Second- or third-line agents include Hydralazine and Prazosin

Emergency

- IV Labetalol
- IV Hydralazine (*may raise intracranial pressure so should be hardly used without specialist input*)
- *Blood pressure drop must be cautious so as not to reduce fetal and placental blood supply*

Management of Severe Hypertension in Pregnancy



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- BP requires urgent treatment in a monitored setting when severe ($>160/110$ mm Hg);
- Acceptable agents for this include oral Nifedipine or intravenous Labetalol (or even Hydralazine).
 - Oral Labetalol may be used if these treatments are unavailable.

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8. Resistant Hypertension



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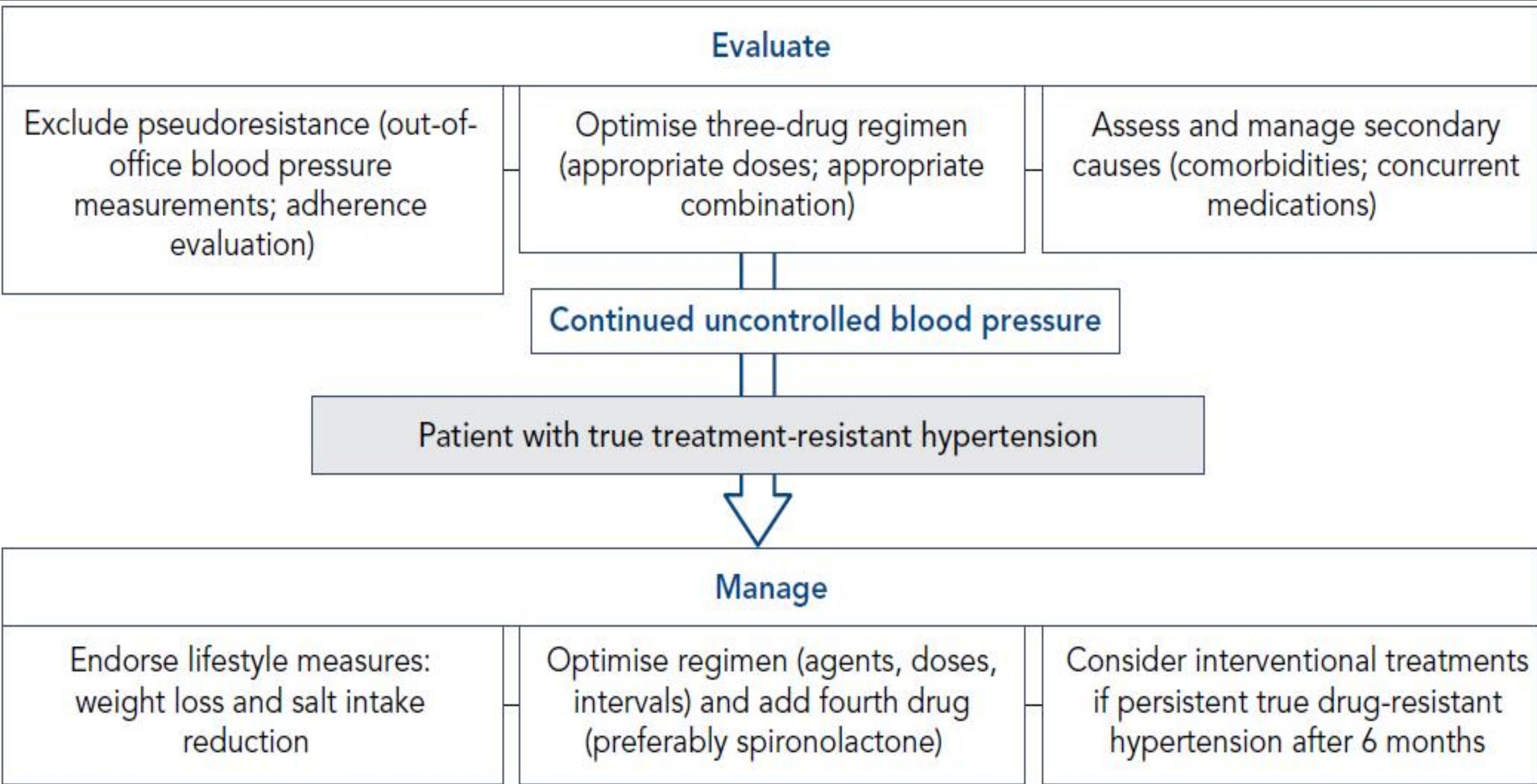
Definition

- *Resistant hypertension is defined as failure to achieve a blood pressure of **140/90** mm Hg despite the use of a rational triple-drug regimen in optimal doses, including an oral diuretic.*

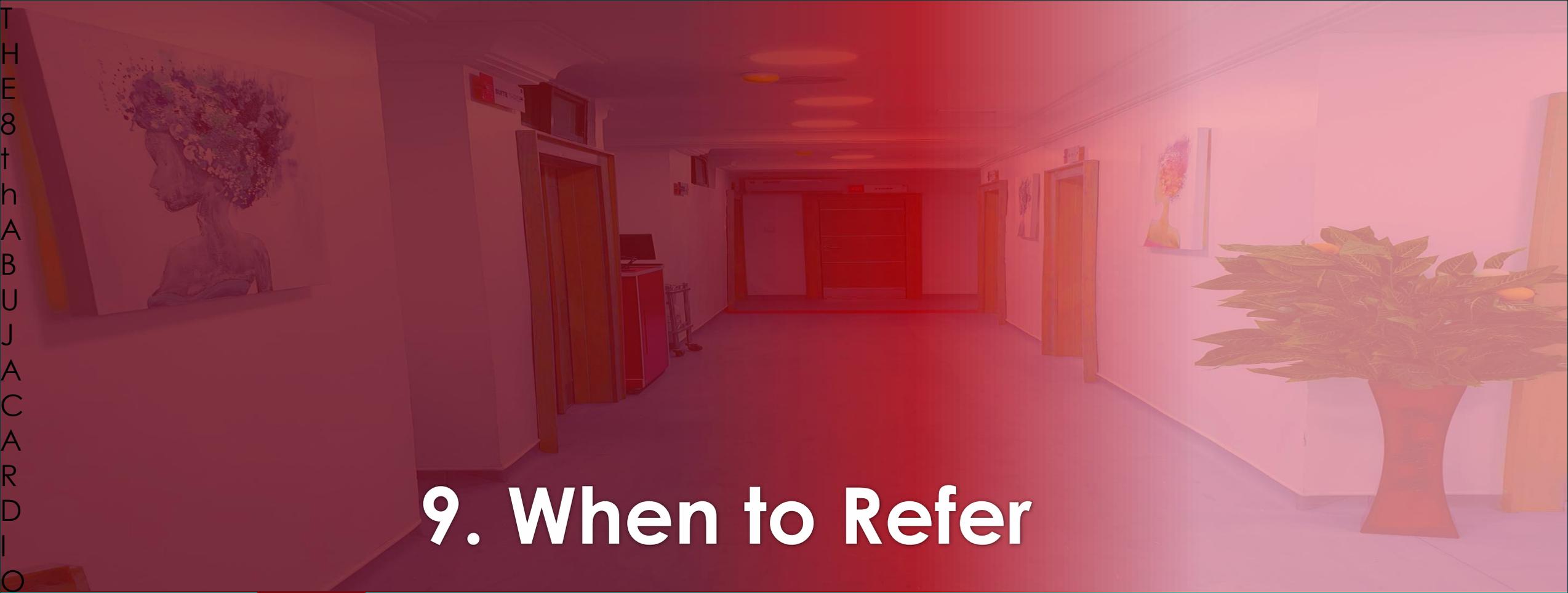
Resistant hypertension characteristics, secondary causes, and contributing factors

Characteristics of patients with resistant hypertension	Causes of secondary resistant hypertension	Drugs and substances that may cause raised BP
<p>Demographics</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Older age (especially > 75 years) • Obesity • More common in black people • Excess dietary sodium intake • High baseline BP and chronicity of uncontrolled hypertension 	<p>More common causes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Primary hyperaldosteronism • Atherosclerotic renovascular disease • Sleep apnoea • CKD 	<p>Prescribed drugs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oral contraceptives • Sympathomimetic agents (e.g. decongestants in proprietary cold remedies) • Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs • Cyclosporin • Erythropoietin • Steroids (e.g. prednisolone, hydrocortisone) • Some cancer therapies
<p>Concomitant disease</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HMOD: LVH and/or CKD • Diabetes • Atherosclerotic vascular disease • Aortic stiffening and isolated systolic hypertension 	<p>Uncommon causes</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pheochromocytoma • Fibromuscular dysplasia • Aortic coarctation • Cushing's disease • Hyperparathyroidism 	<p>Non-prescription drugs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Recreational drugs (e.g. cocaine, amphetamines, anabolic steroids) • Excess liquorice ingestion • Herbal remedies (e.g. ephedra, ma huang)





Therapy often requires the use of MRA, centrally acting medicines, direct acting vasodilators and alpha receptor blockers.



9. When to Refer



Suggested indications for specialist referral



- Urgent treatment need: accelerated HTN, severe hypertension, hypertensive emergency, ACS, Stroke etc
- Possible secondary HTN
- Resistant HTN
- Multiple drug intolerance
- Difficult patient
- Unclear Clinical Situation
- Other situations: Unusual BP variability, possible white coat effect, HTN in pregnancy
- End organ damage



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CONCLUSIONS

- ❖ HTN is a preventable major cause of global mortality and morbidity
- ❖ The biggest socio-economic impact is on LMICs like Nigeria
- ❖ Accurate BP measurement is central to diagnosis and treatment
- ❖ Treatment of HTN should be guideline-based and targeted at holistic CV risk reduction
- ❖ Adherence has a huge effect on cardiovascular outcomes in HTN

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4. **24/7 emergencies** and **same-day/next-day appointments**
5. Over **400 successful cathlab cases** for:
 - Pacemakers, CRTs, Coronary & Peripheral revascularization with stents, IVC filters, etc. while awake with no scars for vascular interventions.
6. **Ultramodern world-class equipment & fully computerized systems**



What are the Cardiocare Multispecialty Hospital's

services?

We provide **24/7 world-class healthcare solutions** for patients, hospitals, and their doctors in:

- ✓ **Interventional Cardiology (Cathlab)**
- ✓ **Endocrinology, Diabetology & Metabolic Medicine**
- ✓ **Cardiology**
- ✓ **Nephrology, Transplant & Dialysis**
- ✓ **Neurology**
- ✓ **Rheumatology**
- ✓ **Pulmonology**
- ✓ **Critical Care**
- ✓ **Cardiothoracic Surgery**
- ✓ **General Internal Medicine**
- ✓ **Comprehensive Medical Checkups**



How to refer patients to Consider Cardiocare

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1. Give a standard referral letter & preferably attach any available results
2. **Call:** 0908-331-7777, 0817 444 0888
3. **WhatsApp:** 0908-331-7777
4. **Email:** frontdesk@cardiocare.ng
5. **Visit:** 5, Giza Close Area 11, Garki (off Dunukofia Street- near FCDA) Abuja-FCT.
6. Kindly indicate Doctor's name, & email/phone number especially if you wish to receive a medical report afterwards.



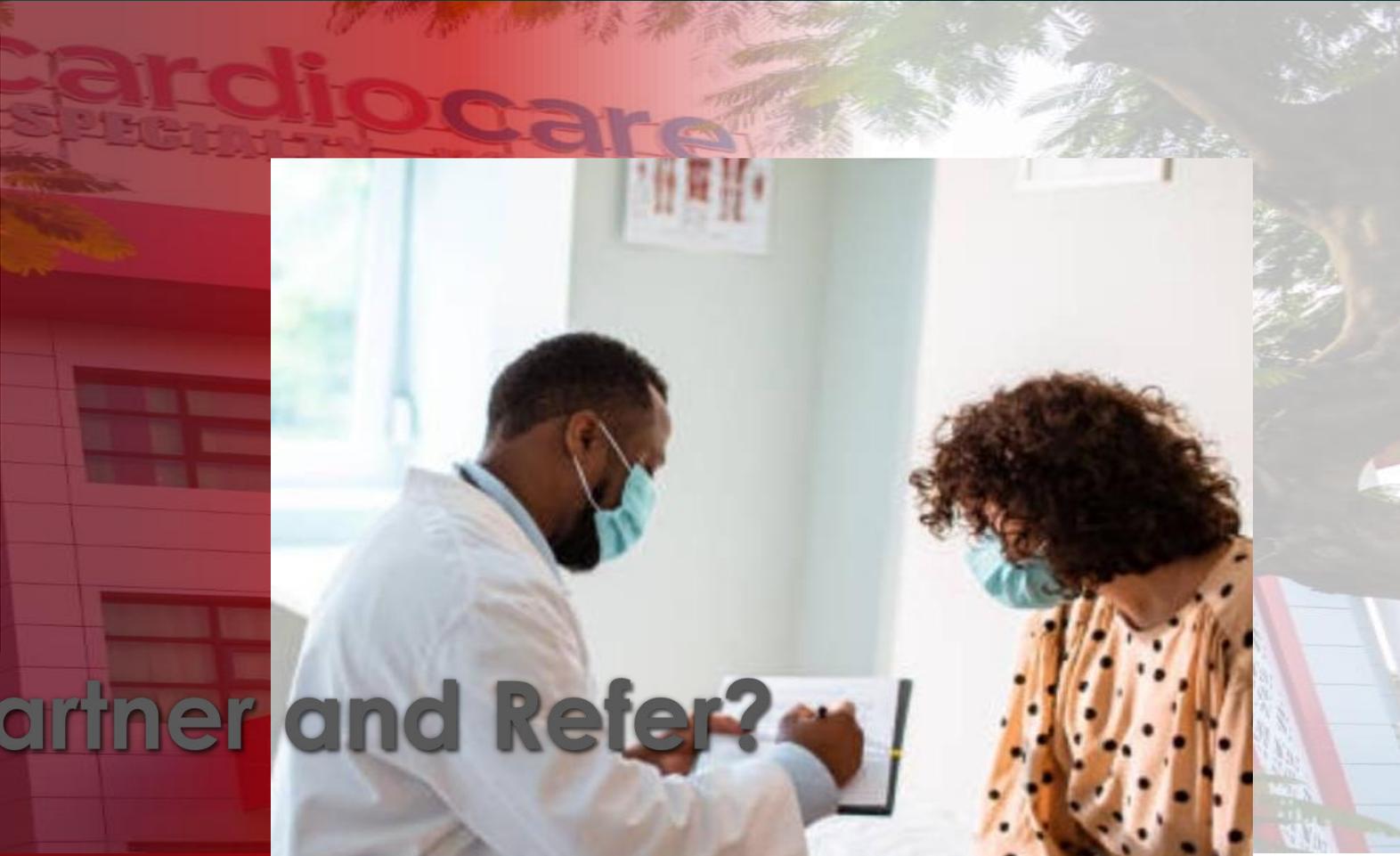
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