

Hypertension: Outpatient Care Protocol

Differential diagnosis *B2*

Physician should rule out other causes/conditions which are responsible for:

- Coarctation of aorta (arterial hypertension in the right arm with normal or low blood pressure in the lower limbs, MRI confirms the diagnosis)
- Sleep apnea (disturbed sleep, daytime sleepiness and fatigue)
- Pheochromocytoma (paroxysmal elevated blood pressures, orthostatic hypotension)
- Renal artery stenosis(high blood pressure levels not controlled with medications)
- Hyperthyroidism (weight loss, intolerance to heat, tremors, hair loss)
- Gestational hypertension (pregnancy induced)