

BLOOD PRESSURE PLUS (BP+)

This is an addendum to the March 2015 WISEWOMAN Manual

BP+

Blood Pressure Plus (BP+) is a new category of allowable data that can be submitted to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). It offers reimbursement for the following scenarios:

- BP+ initial assessment: An incomplete initial assessment/screening/re-screening visit qualifies as a BP+ initial assessment when select health history questions (see data requirements section below), height, weight and one set (systolic/diastolic) of BP readings are collected.
- Follow-up screening: A follow-up assessment can be converted into a follow-up screening, when the additional BP+ data elements, height, weight, and one set (systolic/diastolic) of BP readings, are also collected during the visit.

BP+ at initial assessment will be counted towards each agency's screening goals in addition to clients who receive full WISEWOMAN services. A follow-up screening with BP+ will be counted as a second screening.

BP+ at initial assessment is not a replacement for full WISEWOMAN services and the goal is still to provide full WISEWOMAN services on each client.

BP+ Fundamentals

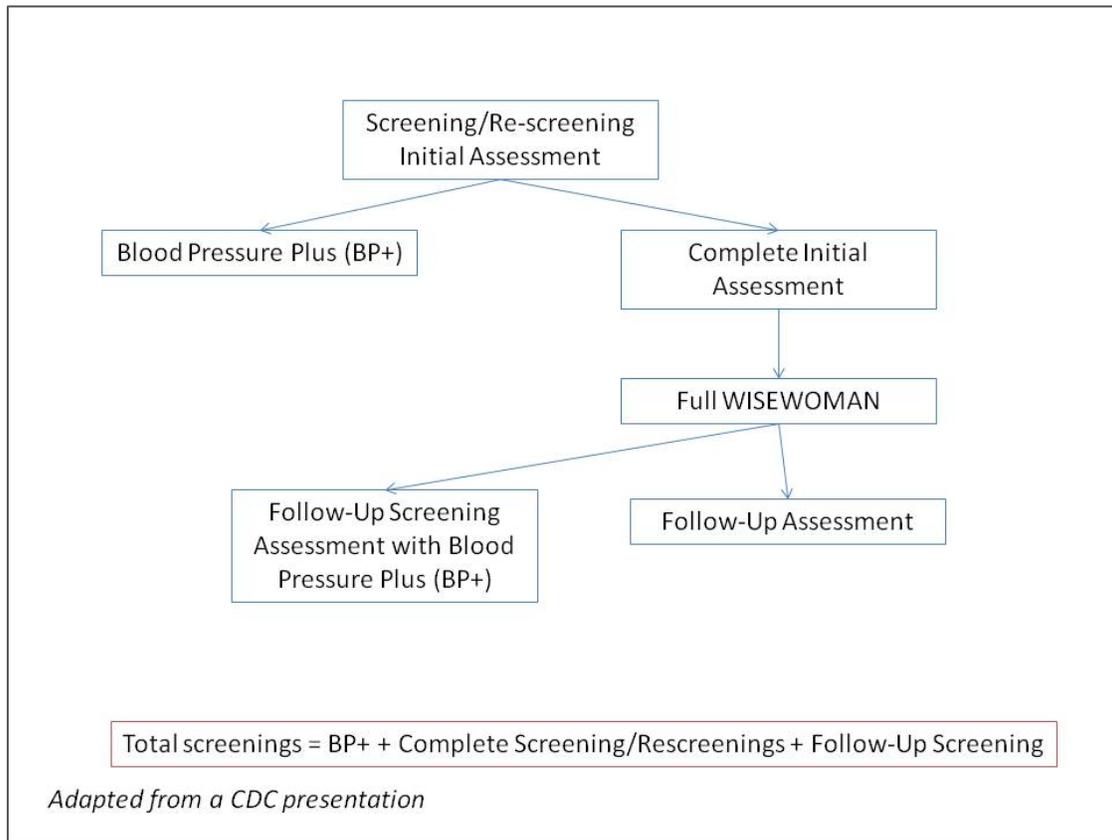
BP+ clients must meet WWC Clinical Services/WISEWOMAN eligibility and enrollment criteria as described in client eligibility and enrollment subsections of the WISEWOMAN Colorado Program Manual.

Height, weight and blood pressure must be taken by the health coach or clinic staff. Alternative methods for collecting these measures are possible but must be discussed and approved by CDPHE.

If the client comes back to the clinic for other reasons (i.e. A1c check) and the timing is appropriate, any measurements already gathered can be used in conjunction with a follow-up phone call with self-reported assessment data to create a follow-up screening.

BP+ cases count towards your agency's screening goals. Clients with both a complete initial assessment and a follow-up screening will count as one client served and two screenings

completed. Clients with a BP+ initial assessment will count as one client served and one screening completed.



Minimum Data Collected/Submitted

In order to receive reimbursement for a BP+ initial assessment or follow-up screening, agencies must collect, at a minimum, the following information on a WISEWOMAN client and submit into eCaST:

- Valid WWC Clinical Services/WISEWOMAN enrollment
- Date of service
- Chronic disease history for high cholesterol, hypertension, diabetes and heart disease
- Medications for cholesterol, blood pressure or diabetes
- Smoking status
- Height and weight
- At least one set (systolic/diastolic) of blood pressure measurements

All profile and demographic data requirements remain the same. Agencies are encouraged to submit additional WISEWOMAN data collected where available.

Patient Navigation

In order to maximize the benefit of the WISEWOMAN program, agencies are strongly encouraged to navigate BP+ initial assessment clients into full WISEWOMAN services. Clients are not eligible for WISEWOMAN-reimbursed lifestyle program or health coaching services following a BP+ initial assessment (a complete, standard initial assessment and BP, glucose and cholesterol values continue to be required to proceed to these additional WISEWOMAN services).

Agencies must refer BP+ clients with alert values and uncontrolled hypertension as outlined in the Referral for Medical Evaluation of Alert Values, Uncontrolled Hypertension and other Abnormal Findings subsection of the WISEWOMAN Colorado Program Manual. Resolution of alert values is required prior to BP+ reimbursement.

Reimbursement for BP+

Agencies will be reimbursed for visits that meet BP+ requirements according to the WISEWOMAN Bundled Payment System for BP+. The WISEWOMAN Bundled Payment System for BP+ can be found on the WISEWOMAN website at <https://www.colorado.gov/cdphe/wisewoman-provider-resources>.