At-Home Blood Pressure Record

To better control your high blood pressure, monitor your blood pressure at home. By checking your blood pressure twice daily for one week only before your next appointment, you help your doctor determine if your treatment is working.



Home monitoring is not a substitute for regular visits to your doctor. If you take a medicine to lower your blood pressure, don't stop taking it without talking to your doctor.

Instructions

- Measure twice a day—in the morning when you wake up and evening before going to bed.
- Take your measurement at about <u>the same time every day</u>.
- For best results, use an upper arm cuff only (wrist-based machines are not accurate).
- Sit down and relax with both feet on the floor—do not cross your legs.
- Rest your arm on a table so the blood pressure cuff is at about the same height as your heart.
- Make sure your back is supported and wait about 2 minutes before starting.

Record your blood pressure on this sheet and show it to your doctor at every visit. Even if you miss taking a few readings, please bring everything you have to your appointment.

	MORNING		EVENING	
	Blood Pressure	Heart Rate	Blood Pressure	Heart Rate
Day 1				
Day 2				
Day 3				
Day 4				
Day 5				
Day 6				
Day 7				
Average of above				

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