This protocol is for trained CIP Paramedics only. If during assessment, procedure, or treatment the patient is found to have a medical emergency in need of hospital treatment, the CIP visit will be suspended, and local MCA protocols utilized.

Purpose: To provide additional guidelines beyond the CIP General Assessment and Care for evaluating, caring for and educating patients with chronic hypertension.

1. Follow CIP Patient General Assessment and Care protocol
2. Obtain additional vital signs, history, and diagnostics pertinent to condition and/or as ordered by physician which may include:
	1. Vitals:
		1. Manual and automated blood pressure
	2. History:
		1. Diet
3. On-scene medication administration may include:
	1. Use of approved MCA protocols and medications up to the extent of standard paramedic treatment according to protocol.
	2. Assist with patient’s prescribed home medications that are not included in standard EMS treatment protocols
	3. Use of patient’s prescribed medications beyond the parameters of the prescription must have direct consultation with the referring physician prior to administration
4. On-scene education and suggested support sources may include:
	1. Salt and fluid intake discussion/counseling