ACP does not support PQRS 122: “Adult Kidney Disease: Blood Pressure Management.” The ACP guideline states that there is no difference in outcomes between strict blood pressure control and standard blood pressure control (128-133 mmHg vs. 134-141 mmHg systolic, and 75-81 mmHg vs. 81-87 mmHg diastolic). This measure lost NQF endorsement due to a lack of evidence. In addition, the currently endorsed measure (NQF 0018) specifies the percentage of patients 18–85 years of age who had a diagnosis of hypertension and whose blood pressure was adequately controlled (<140/90) during the measurement year. The PMC believes that NQF 0018 could be sufficient for patients with stage 1-3 CKD.

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