

Falls and Fragility Fracture Audit Programme (FFFAP)

Procedure for measuring lying and standing blood pressure (BP)

- Use a manual sphyg if possible
- Lie down 5 minutes. Take BP and pulse 1
- > Stand up. Take BP and pulse 2 in 1st min
- After 3 minutes, take BP and pulse 3
- > Record systolic, diastolic pressures and pulse each time it is taken

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A positive result is:

- > a drop in systolic BP of 20 mmHg or more
- > a drop to below 90 mmHg on standing
- > a drop in diastolic BP of 10 mmHg with symptoms

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