

## Hypertension in Pregnancy-Emergency Department Readiness Assessment

Requirements-Every Unit	In Place-Consistently Executed	In Place-Not Working	Not In Place	Comments
Standards for early warning signs, diagnostic criteria, monitoring and treatment of severe preeclampsia/eclampsia (include order sets and algorithms).				
Unit team education, reinforced by regular multi-department (L&D and PP) drills with debriefing.				
Process for a timely triage and evaluation of pregnant and postpartum women with hypertension upon arrival to Emergency Department.				
Rapid access to medications used for severe hypertension/eclampsia: Medications should be stocked and immediately available in the ED. Include brief guide for administration and dosage.				
System plan for escalation and maternal transport to appropriate setting for further evaluation and treatment.				

For each requirement that is not in place and consistently executed, complete an Action Plan

### Fast Five Triage for ED:

- Are you pregnant?
- Have you had a baby within the last six (6) months?
- Any complications with previous/during current pregnancy?
- What symptoms brought her to ER? (headache, shortness of breath, chest pain, distorted vision)
- Do you have a history of elevated blood pressure?