

# Hypertensive Emergency

Severe BP with acute target-organ injury

Cardiology

PHYSICIAN REFERENCE

## Definition

- Treat the organ injury, not the number alone: encephalopathy, ACS, pulmonary edema, aortic syndrome, AKI, eclampsia, etc.

## Principle

- Use titratable IV therapy appropriate to the syndrome and controlled BP reduction; targets differ by condition.

## Exceptions

- Aortic dissection and some obstetric/neuro emergencies have condition-specific rapid targets.

### Clinical safety note

Use this as a memory aid, not a prescription. Verify current guidelines, local protocols, contraindications, renal/hepatic dosing, pregnancy status, interactions and patient-specific factors before treatment.