

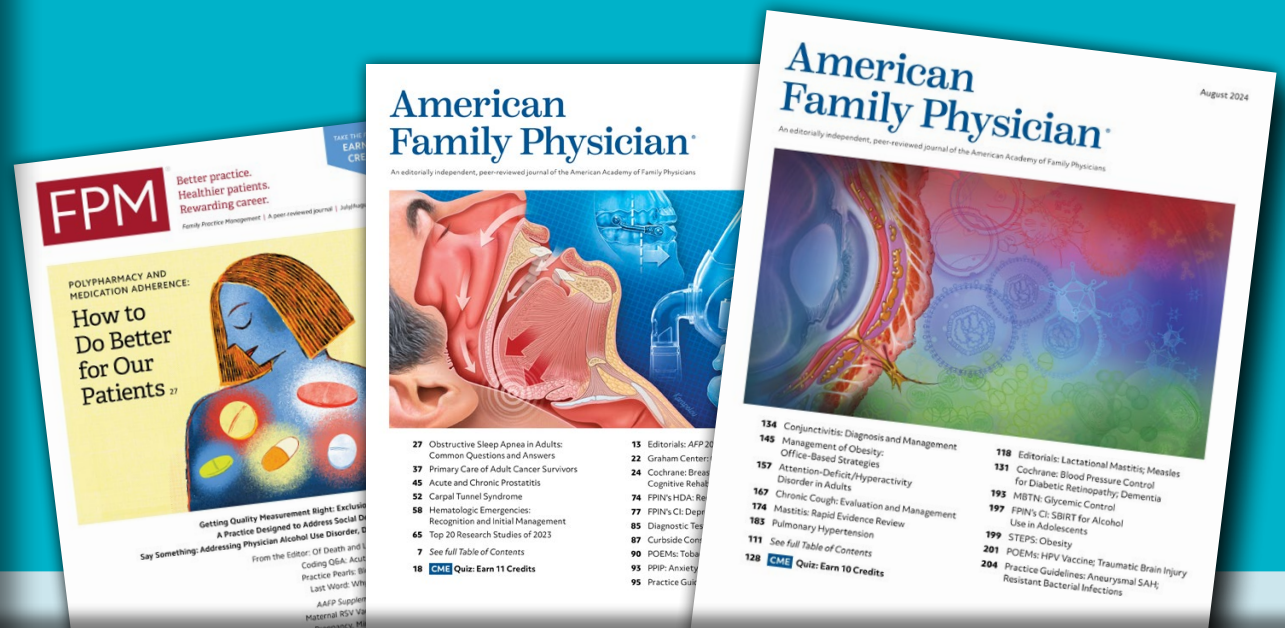
# WILEY

## 2025 MEDIA KIT

Always in their hands. Never lost in the stack.

American  
Family Physician®

FPM



The Most Trusted Brands in Primary Care

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## Who is the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP)

The American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) is one of the largest medical organizations in the U.S., representing 128,300 family physicians, residents, and medical students, and is the **only medical society devoted solely to primary care.**

American Family Physician (AFP) is the official peer-reviewed journal of the AAFP, the most essential,<sup>1</sup> editorially independent, evidence-based, clinical review journal in primary care. Published continuously since 1950, each issue provides up-to-date information on clinical topics, the latest diagnostic and therapeutic techniques, and summaries of practice guidelines from major medical organizations.

## General Editorial Direction

AFP's mission is to empower family physicians to improve the health of patients and communities as the leading source of medical information while advancing science and health equity. For more information, visit: <https://www.aafp.org/pubs/afp/about.html>.

**AFP is published once a month, reaching an audience of more than 169,000 primary care physicians and generates more than 3.7 million online page views a month in the US alone.<sup>2</sup>**

## Required Reading. Cover-to-cover CME.

AFP isn't just read—it's studied. Every issue provides both the evidence-based, clinical review content that readers can put to use immediately in practice and the opportunity to earn valuable CME from cover-to-cover readership.

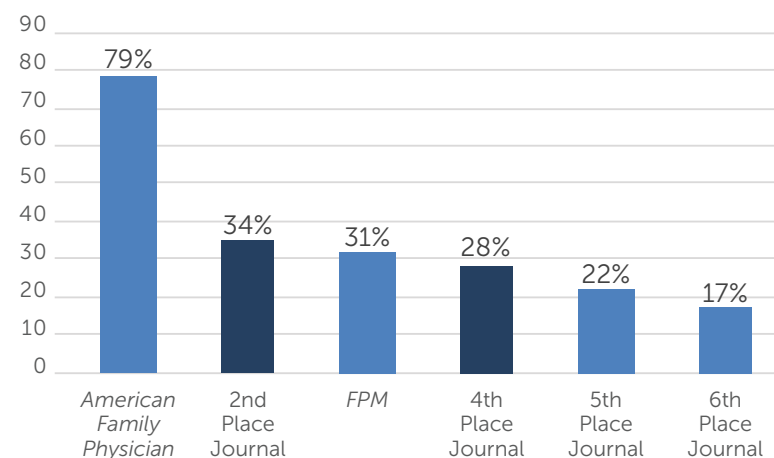
**Primary care physicians complete more than 243,000 AFP Issue CME Quizzes each year.<sup>3</sup>**

## The #1 Media Brand in Primary Care

- #1 Source of Information - Reach (Family Medicine):** print edition 97%<sup>4</sup>
- #1 Current Issues of Medical Journals:** Any Versions Read: print edition 97%<sup>4</sup>
- #1 Current Issues of Medical Journals:** Any Versions Read, Print or Digital: Both Print and Digital Versions 95%<sup>4</sup>
- #1 Total Readers** (Office-Based) Primary Care<sup>5</sup>
- #1 High Readers** (Office-Based) – Primary Care<sup>5</sup>
- #1 Most Visited Journal Website in Primary Care<sup>6</sup>**
- #1 Essential Journal in Primary Care** (FP/IM)<sup>1</sup>

### Total Readers Leading Publications

Trends: Family Medicine (Office)



1. The Matalia Group, The Essential Journal Study – Primary Care, June 2019

2. Adobe Analytics, 12 month average, Jan 2023-Dec 2023

3. Quiz Usage Report, AFP CME Quiz Returns by Month Received, 2022-2023 average

4. Sources & Interactions 2024, Medical/Surgical Edition, Family Medicine © 2024 M3 MI

5. M3 MI Medical/Surgical Media Measurement 2024, Family Medicine, Tables 402 & 403

6. M3 MI Medical/Surgical Media Measurement 2024, Family Medicine, Table 201

# Wide-Ranging Opportunities for Promotion With AFP

## Display Advertising

In print, online and in the journals' regular eNewsletters and eTOCs, display advertising is the cornerstone to your branding and promotion efforts.

## Cover Tips and Outserts

Cover tips put your promotion right on the cover of *AFP*. Outserts offer a powerful alternative to direct mail to deliver your message to your target audience.

## Podcast Sponsorships

The *AFP* Podcast is frequently in the top 15 of all medical podcasts on iTunes! It has an average 4.7-star rating (642 reviews) on iTunes. Educational, philanthropic, and recruitment messages are welcome and are played pre-roll and mid-roll of each episode. With two episodes per month, each averaging 35,000 downloads, this is an opportunity to be heard as an industry leader by thousands.



See pages 27 and 28 for more information.

## Content Marketing

Employ a variety of content marketing tactics to engage and educate primary care physicians, build awareness, and position your company as a thought leader.

### FAMILY PHYSICIAN RESOURCES: PATIENT CARE, PRACTICE, AND CAREER PAGE

Is an enduring catalog of available resources sponsored on AAFP's FPM journal website. Help AAFP members make informed decisions by hosting your content for one year and gain exposure to more than 128,300 registered users of the website, including family physicians, practice managers, family medicine, nurses and more.

### ADVERTORIALS

Information-rich promotion, designed to educate rather than sell, is highly valued by physicians and accepted by *American Family Physician*.



## Expand your reach to a highly engaged, fully paid audience!

*AFP*'s award-winning sister journal, *FPM* (formerly *Family Practice Management*), shows physicians how to deliver exceptional patient care, enhance efficiency and revenue, and increase their professional satisfaction. Peer-reviewed CME content focuses on providing practical solutions to the challenges they face every day.

**FPM insertions count toward earned frequency in *AFP*, and vice-versa.**

## Cover Wraps – extend your campaign through dedicated mailing with your message

Cover wraps are ad placements consisting of four, six, eight, or ten pages that wrap around the front and back covers of magazines at the spine.

For more details, please contact your AAFP sales representative.

See page 25 for more information.

## Classified and Recruitment Advertising

Contact: Momentive Software's, AAFP Classified Ad Sales Team  
727-497-6568 or [aafp@momentivesoftware.com](mailto:aafp@momentivesoftware.com)

See page 22 for more opportunities available from the American Academy of Family Physicians.

# Voice of the Reader

## How do readers consume AFP content?<sup>1</sup>

Readers engage with AFP content mainly by going to the AFP website (75%) or by reading the AFP in print (80%). When looking at their preferred format, AFP print (43%) was slightly lower than AFP website (46%).

## What do readers value most from engaging with AFP content?<sup>1</sup>

Virtually all readers provided high ratings for the following five attributes: **quality of content** (97%), **usefulness** (95%), **readability** (96%), **timeliness** (93%), and **visual appeal** (90%).

*"Easier to find articles. Skim content. And easier to see tables and quickly understand. The headings in the articles help me focus on what's important to me."*

*"I prefer to read print and mark my places and underline, highlight as I wish."*

*"I can read the whole article more easily at a designated time. I can flip back and forth between pages more easily. I can copy a chart easily. I can highlight or underline easily as needed for future reference."*

*"I am old-fashioned and like to be able to hold onto the journal. It's easier to take it on the go. With print, I can start an article, stop and restart more easily than online."*

*"I often take my AFP journals on plane trips. I like being able to refer back to pages. I like not having to look at the articles on a computer. I live in a rural area and computer access is not guaranteed 24/7."*

1. 2024 AFP Editorial Survey

## Prescribing Details<sup>1</sup>

### How many **AFP** readers write prescriptions?

95% of physicians write prescriptions

89% of nurse practitioners/physicians assistants write prescriptions

### How many prescriptions do **AFP** readers write weekly?

Physicians write on average 104 prescriptions per week

Nurse practitioners/physician assistants write 84 prescriptions per week

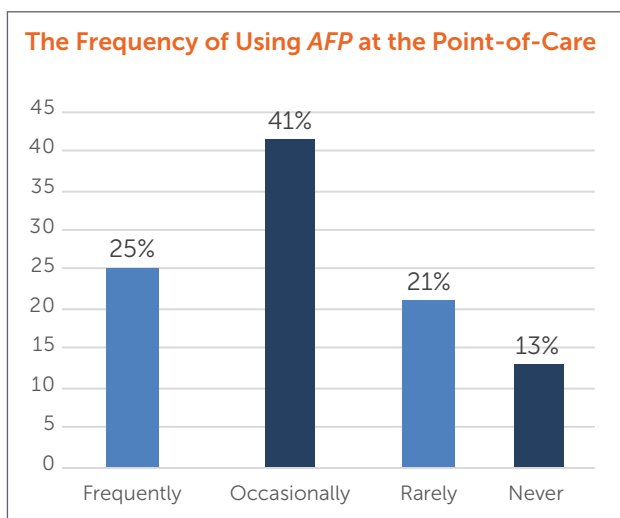
## Prescriptions Written for Disease States<sup>1</sup>

Cardiovascular (including hypertension)	90%
Allergy/respiratory disease/COPD/asthma	92%
Endocrinology (diabetes, obesity, metabolism)	88%
Anti-infectives (including anti-bacterials, antivirals, antifungals, and anti-parasitics)	94%
Neurological conditions (including migraine and epilepsy)	84%
Psychiatric medications	88%
Dermatologic conditions (including psoriasis)	84%
Women's health (including menopause/hormones)	71%
Infectious Diseases (e.g., HIV, RSV, Mpox, COVID)	75%
Alzheimer's/dementia	46%

1. 2024 AFP Editorial Survey



## AFP Content Point-of-Care<sup>1</sup>



## Top Reasons for Point-of-Care Use by Physicians<sup>1</sup>

To look up an answer to a specific questions	71%
To research specific topics	53%
To ensure I have the latest updates	28%
To print out patient information handouts	18%
To browse content collections	16%

70% of the respondents receive their issues of AFP in print to their home addresses.<sup>2</sup>



1. 2024 AFP Editorial Survey

2. M3 MI Medical/Surgical Media Measurement 2024, Family Medicine, Table 405

# AFP Print Advertising Rates, Specifications

## Full-Run Color Charge CHARGE PER COLOR PER PAGE OR FRACTION

Three- and Four-Color Process ..... \$3,970

## Premium Position Rates

2nd Cover (PREMIUM ON B/W SPACE ONLY) ..... 50%  
 3rd Cover (PREMIUM ON B/W SPACE ONLY) ..... 10%  
 4th Cover (PREMIUM ON B/W SPACE ONLY) ..... 70%  
 Opposite Table of Contents (PREMIUM ON B/W SPACE ONLY) 15%  
 Center Spread (PREMIUM ON B/W SPACE ONLY) ..... 10%  
 Preceding Lead Article (PREMIUM ON B/W SPACE ONLY) ..... 10%

## Full-Run Rates RATES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

AFP Full-Run Run-of-Book									
FULL-RUN ROB B/W	1-X	6-X	12-X	18-X	24-X	36-X	48-X	60-X	72-X
1 PAGE	\$17,750	\$17,400	\$17,040	\$16,870	\$16,700	\$16,520	\$16,070	\$15,900	\$15,810
2/3 PAGE	\$13,320	\$13,060	\$12,790	\$12,660	\$12,530	\$12,410	\$12,060	\$11,920	\$11,860
1/2 PAGE	\$12,440	\$12,190	\$11,930	\$11,820	\$11,690	\$11,570	\$11,250	\$11,140	\$11,080
1/3 PAGE	\$8,890	\$8,720	\$8,530	\$8,450	\$8,370	\$8,270	\$8,060	\$7,970	\$7,930

AFP Full-Run Inserts									
FULL-RUN INSERTS	1-X	6-X	12-X	18-X	24-X	36-X	48-X	60-X	72-X
2-PAGE	\$37,080	\$36,360	\$35,610	\$35,250	\$34,880	\$34,510	\$33,590	\$33,210	\$33,030
4-PAGE	\$73,810	\$72,360	\$70,860	\$70,150	\$69,420	\$68,660	\$66,840	\$66,080	\$65,720
6-PAGE	\$110,170	\$108,010	\$105,770	\$104,710	\$103,600	\$102,490	\$99,760	\$98,650	\$98,080
8-PAGE	\$146,170	\$143,310	\$140,330	\$138,940	\$137,460	\$135,990	\$132,370	\$130,880	\$130,140

### FULL-RUN RATE INFORMATION

**FULL-RUN RATES Effective Rate Date:** January 1, 2025. Agency commission: 15% of gross billing for space and color. Subject to withdrawal on accounts not paid within 30 days of invoice date. **Rebates:** Advertisers who exceed their contracted frequency will be rebated. All paid pages count toward earned frequency rate, whether split-run or full-run.

**Bleed:** No charge. **First-time advertisers:** First-time advertisers/agencies are required to prepay first advertising ad campaign or first digital month to ensure placement.

**EARNED RATES Policy:** Rates subject to change with 90-DAYS NOTICE. Frequency discounts are based on the actual number of paid pages placed during one contract year. Full-page or fractional units are counted as one page. Split-run pages count toward the earned rate as

one page. Contracts are accepted with the understanding that rates will be guaranteed beyond the last issue closed. Advertising is sold only at earned published rates. Contracts and insertion orders issued for units at less than published rates are not accepted. **Prescribing Information (PI)/Important Safety Information (ISI) Discount:** Advertisers earn a 50% discount starting with the 3rd PI/ISI page.



## Split-Run Rates RATES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

AFP Split-Run Run-of-Book									
50% OR LESS OF FULL CIRC. B/W	1-X	6-X	12-X	18-X	24-X	36-X	48-X	60-X	72-X
1 PAGE	\$11,730	\$11,500	\$11,250	\$11,150	\$11,030	\$10,910	\$10,620	\$10,500	\$10,440
2/3 PAGE	\$8,800	\$8,640	\$8,450	\$8,370	\$8,280	\$8,190	\$7,970	\$7,870	\$7,830
1/2 PAGE	\$8,210	\$8,060	\$7,880	\$7,810	\$7,730	\$7,640	\$7,430	\$7,360	\$7,320
1/3 PAGE	\$5,880	\$5,760	\$5,700	\$5,580	\$5,530	\$5,470	\$5,320	\$5,270	\$5,240

AFP Split-Run Inserts									
INSERTS	1-X	6-X	12-X	18-X	24-X	36-X	48-X	60-X	72-X
2-PAGE	\$24,490	\$24,010	\$23,520	\$23,290	\$23,040	\$22,810	\$22,180	\$21,920	\$21,810
4-PAGE	\$48,720	\$47,800	\$46,800	\$46,330	\$45,830	\$45,370	\$44,140	\$43,630	\$43,390
6-PAGE	\$72,730	\$71,340	\$69,860	\$69,170	\$68,400	\$67,700	\$65,880	\$65,120	\$64,760
8-PAGE	\$96,500	\$94,650	\$92,690	\$91,770	\$90,750	\$89,830	\$87,420	\$86,390	\$85,930

## Split-Run Color Charge CHARGE PER COLOR PER PAGE OR FRACTION

Three- and Four-Color Process ..... \$2,780

**COVERS, PREMIUM POSITIONS** Covers and premium positions are sold annually on a contract basis to individual advertisers. Premiums are charged on one page of ad unit when multiple page units are acceptable. Premium position advertisers cannot be guaranteed more than two pages of separation from a competitor. Cancellation of less than 60 days written notice will incur a fee equal to the cost of the premium for one month.

**INSERT SPECIFICATIONS Availability:** All inserts are subject to approval. Sample must be provided for review.

**Acceptance:** No BRCs are accepted. 100 lb text stock maximum. Approval will be granted prior to space closing; sample must be delivered to the printer two weeks prior to issue space closing date. Variations from standard inserts will be accepted only after prior approval and at the discretion of the publisher. A special charge may be added for handling. Paper attachment, die cuts, or other effects may not extend to within two inches of any trimmed edge, cover more than 20% of the page area, or result in otherwise undesirable changes in the characteristics of the insert stock. Short-fold inserts are limited to a

maximum of four for each issue. Short-fold inserts are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis upon receipt of a written insertion order.

**Trimming:** Ship folded to 8" x 10.75". Trim size is 7.75" x 10.5". Trimming of oversize inserts will be charged at cost. Keep live matter at least 3/8" away from trim edges. Book is jogged to foot; trim is 1/8" each side.

**Quantity:** Full-run is 180,000, which includes spoilage and 1,000 for publisher's use. For more information, [btaylor@aaafp.org](mailto:btaylor@aaafp.org).

**SPLIT-RUN RATE INFORMATION Premium Cover Positions:** may be split to US-only audiences for the full run rate plus a \$1,500 gross surcharge with prior approval. Contact advertising sales for more information.

**COVER TIPS** Your message displayed on a cover tip offers premium visibility and precise targeting. These units are available on a limited basis and may only be reserved by contract. Please contact advertising sales for availability and pricing. **Specifications for a standard 2-page/single-leaf cover tip:** Standard size (w x h): 7.75" x 5.5"; Stock: 100# text. For custom sizes, pita pockets, and multipage units, please contact advertising sales.



**OUTSERTS Outserts** offer an effective and cost-efficient method to deliver your message directly to your target audience. Outserts ride along with the journal in a clear polybag, making them visible when the journal is received. Availability is limited. Contact advertising sales for pricing.

### ACCEPTANCE, PRICING, PRODUCTION Requirements and Cancellation Acceptance:

Content must be reviewed and approved in advance. Reservations only accepted on a firm order in advance. **Pricing:** Based on a net cost-per-piece basis based on the quantity, size, weight, and format of the unit. **Production Requirements:** Please send two mock-ups for approval to: Quad; Attn: Todd Kelley for AFP; N61 W23044 Harry's Way; Sussex, WI 53089. Creative with pita pockets must be wafer sealed. Cancellations received 60 days or more via written notice prior to issue ad close deadline, no charge; 30-60 days prior to issue ad close deadline, 50% of contract rate; 30 days or less prior to issue ad close deadline, 100% of contract rate.



## Premium Visibility Targeted Programs

### Cover Tips

Your message displayed on a cover tip offers premium visibility and precise targeting. These units are available on a limited basis and may only be reserved by contract. Please contact advertising sales for availability and pricing at [AAFP\\_NJ@aafp.org](mailto:AAFP_NJ@aafp.org) or [kfranz@wiley.com](mailto:kfranz@wiley.com). Specifications for a standard 2-page/single-leaf cover tip:

- Maximum size: 7.75" x 5.5"
- Minimum size: 7.75" x 5"
- Stock: 100 lb text
- Max. weight: 2 pages (single leaf)
- For custom sizes, pita pockets, and multipage units, please contact sales.

### Outserts

Outserts offer an effective and cost-efficient method to deliver your message directly to your target audience. Outserts ride along with the journal in a clear polybag, making them clearly visible when the journal is received. Availability is limited. Contact advertising sales for pricing.

### Benefits to Sponsor

- Premiere exposure: Your outsert mails in a polybag together with the journal.
- Exclusivity: If placing a full-run outsert, only one outsert per issue is accepted.
- Unique formats allowed: Because your outsert does not interfere with the physical environment of the journal itself, some variation from standard folding and format, which is not acceptable for inserts, may be allowed upon prior approval and at the discretion of the publisher. (For example, bound-in BRCs are generally acceptable.)
- Advertorial content allowed: Advertorials may be acceptable upon prior approval and at the discretion of the publisher. Call your AFP sales representative for policies regarding advertorials.
- Maximum size: 7.75" x 10.5"
- Minimum size: 7.75" x 5.25"
- Stock: 120 lb text
- Max. weight: 2 pages (single leaf)
- For custom sizes, pita pockets, and multipage units, please contact sales.

See page 26 for more information.

### Insert, Cover Tip, and Outsert Shipping

Each insert carton should be marked for AFP journal, with date of issue, Quad job number, name of advertiser, product, and quantity.

Insert shipments that do not meet requirements are subject to additional charges. Contact the Production Department at: [btaylor@aafp.org](mailto:btaylor@aafp.org) or (913) 906-6294 for additional information.

Ship prepaid. C.O.D. not accepted. Send to:

Quad  
Attn: Receiving  
N61W23044 Harry's Way  
Sussex, WI 53089

**NOTE:** EXCESS MATERIALS ARE DESTROYED AFTER PRINTING OF EACH ISSUE.

### Acceptance, Pricing, Production Requirements, and Cancellation

**Policies:** See page 18 for all advertising acceptance, format, and business policies.

**Acceptance:** Content must be reviewed and approved in advance. Reservations only accepted on a firm order in advance.

**Pricing:** Based on a net cost-per-piece basis based on the quantity, size, weight, and format of the unit.

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## Targeted Campaigns

### List Matching Requirements

Print campaigns being sent to a target list need to be submitted directly to:

MMS  
Attention: Colin Elliott  
[c-elliott@mmslists.com](mailto:c-elliott@mmslists.com)

# AFP Production

**First Issue:** January 1970

**Issuance:** Published 12 times per year

**Issue Dates:** Once monthly

**Mailing Date/Class:** Mid-month of issue date/  
Periodicals

## ISSUE AND CLOSING DATES

- Insertion orders and all reproduction materials are due as indicated in the production deadlines table. For dates that fall on weekends or holidays, use the next business day.
- No cancellations after closing date of publication.

## AD PLACEMENT POLICY

Advertising is rotated and interspersed throughout the issue—within departments and between articles.

## AD SPACE SIZES

Full page ..... 7" x 10"  
 2/3 page ..... 4 3/4" x 10"  
 1/2 page vertical ..... 3 1/4" x 10"  
 1/2 page horizontal ..... 7" x 4 1/2"  
 1/3 page vertical ..... 2 1/8" x 10"

## BLEED AD SPACE SIZES

Full page ..... 8" x 10 3/4"  
 2/3 page ..... 4 3/4" x 10 3/4"  
 1/2 page vertical ..... 3 7/8" x 10 3/4"  
 1/2 page horizontal ..... 8" x 5 1/8"  
 1/3 page vertical ..... 2 3/4" x 10 3/4"

Keep live matter 3/8" away from trim edges.

Trim size of magazine: 7 3/4" x 10 1/2"

Production Deadlines					
ISSUE	QUAD JOB NUMBER	DEMO AD LIST DUE AT MMS	SPACE CLOSING	ROB MATERIAL DUE	INSERTS/OUTSERTS/COVER TIPS DUE
Jan	C40A0A0	11/22/24	12/06/24	12/13/24	12/20/24
Feb	C5077C0	12/19/24	01/09/25	01/16/25	01/24/25
Mar	C5077A0	01/29/25	02/10/25	02/17/25	02/24/25
Apr	C507780	02/19/25	03/03/25	03/07/25	03/14/25
May	C507770	03/25/25	04/04/25	04/10/25	04/18/25
Jun	C5077D0	04/24/25	05/06/25	05/13/25	05/20/25
Jul	C507790	05/30/25	06/11/25	06/17/25	06/24/25
Aug	C5077L0	06/30/25	07/11/25	07/18/25	07/25/25
Sep	C5077F0	07/29/25	08/08/25	08/14/25	08/21/25
Oct	C5077E0	08/21/25	09/03/25	09/09/25	09/16/25
Nov	C5077J0	09/23/25	10/03/25	10/10/25	10/17/25
Dec	C5077H0	10/23/25	11/05/25	11/12/25	11/19/25

## Mechanical Requirements

### PAPER STOCK

**Inside pages (body pages):** 34# UPM Cote

**Covers:** 100# Sterling Ultra Gloss C2S

**Type of Binding:** Perfect bound

### SPECIFICATIONS

AFP is printed web offset.

- Format files as PDF/X-1a
- Flatten transparencies
- All images at least 300 dpi
- 4/C solids should not exceed ink density of 320%
- Single-page size should not exceed bleed size
- Color bars, crop, and registration marks must be kept outside the bleed size

- Prepare spread ads as individual pages
- After one year of storage, digital files will be deleted

To upload files, visit: [www.adshuttle.com/AAFP](http://www.adshuttle.com/AAFP).  
 One actual-size, SWOP-certified color proof is recommended and must match the digital file.  
 Ship color proof to:

Sussex Blue Soho  
 Attn: Connie Margraf/ Supplied PLUS  
 N64W23110 Main Street  
 Sussex, WI 53089

If you do not wish to submit a SWOP-certified color proof of your ad materials but one is required, we will provide one at a rate of \$50.00 per page, including shipping.

For digital specifications, contact AFP  
 Production at: [btaylor@aafp.org](mailto:btaylor@aafp.org).

# AFP Editorial

## CME Credit

AFP offers CME credits free in each issue. The CME quiz that readers complete covers most of the issue content, therefore encouraging cover-to-cover reading.

## Editorial Department Features

AFP Clinical Answers, CME Quiz, Cochrane for Clinicians, Curbside Consultation, Diagnostic Tests, Diary of a Family Physician, Editorials, FPIN's Clinical Inquiries, FPIN's Help Desk Answers, Graham Center Policy One-Pagers, Implementing AHRQ Effective Health Care Reviews, Letters to the Editor, Low Right Care, Medicine by the Numbers, Photo Quiz, POEMs, Point-of-Care Guides, Practice Guidelines, Putting Prevention into Practice, STEPS: New Drug Reviews, U.S. Preventive Services Task Force.



# AFP Circulation

## Definition of Recipient Qualification

Qualified recipients are family physicians, including medical teachers, selected office-based practitioners, selected direct patient care office- and hospital-based general internists of family medicine osteopaths, Academy members in FM/GP/IM and other specialties, Canadian and other international physician members, student-affiliate members, and physician members with medical teaching, administration, research, and other activity as their major professional activity.

## Circulation Verification

**Audit:** AAM statement for January 2024 issue. For semiannual circulation updates, visit <https://auditedmedia.com/>.

**Mailing house:** MMS, Inc.

## Coverage and Subscriptions

- See the table below for a breakdown of circulation by classification of reader.
- Controlled: 34%; Paid: 3%; Requested: 63%
- Subscription price in U.S. \$315; Canada \$435; Foreign \$540
- Institutional price: Quote upon request
- Medical students, residents, health care professionals, and office management staff in U.S. \$200; Canada \$310; Foreign \$420

Family Medicine.....	116,604
Internal Medicine .....	32,502
Other Specialties.....	18,887
<b>Total Qualified to Physicians.....</b>	<b>167,993</b>
<b>Percent to Physicians .....</b>	<b>99%</b>
Medical Students .....	2,029
<b>Total Qualified Circulation .....</b>	<b>170,022</b>

Updated circulation data as of January 2024.





## FPM Editorial

The mission of *FPM* is to give family physicians the tools and information they need to maintain efficient and effective practices, enhance the patient experience, and maximize their professional satisfaction.

### General Editorial Direction

*FPM* publishes articles designed to help family physicians with every aspect of their practice from patient satisfaction to personal satisfaction and from payment to patient care. *FPM* brings the resources of the AAFP to bear on the challenges that family physicians face. Each issue contains a quiz that AAFP members and paid subscribers can take to earn continuing medical education (CME) credit.

### Award-Winning Content

*FPM* was honored by the American Society of Healthcare Publication Editors in 2019 with a Silver Award for Best Commentary and is a past winner of several ASHPE and Association Media and Publishing awards.

### CME Credit

*FPM* offers at least five CME credits free in each issue. The CME quiz that readers complete covers most of the content of the issue, therefore encouraging cover-to-cover reading.

### Patient Care Focus

Increasing demands from payers, employers, and patients for high-quality, cost-effective care have made efficient health care delivery more challenging and more important than ever. *FPM* authors describe proven approaches to managing the care of patients with chronic diseases, communicating effectively with patients, providing team-based care, and achieving quality metrics.

### Coding and Billing Expertise

*FPM*'s advice on diagnosis and procedure coding translates to dollars for readers. The complexity of the coding systems and ever-changing billing rules makes *FPM*'s coding and documentation advice invaluable.

## FPM Distribution

- Print: Approximately 1,400 paid print subscribers (data as of August 2024)
- Online: 260,337 monthly unique users (12-month average through July 2024)
- eNewsletter and eTOC: 96,000 recipients per week on average

# FPM Print Advertising Rates, Specifications

FPM Full-Run, Run-of-Book Rates							
B/W	1-X	6-X	12-X	18-X	24-X	36-X	48-X
1 PAGE	\$4,010	\$3,930	\$3,800	\$3,670	\$3,570	\$3,430	\$3,310
2/3 PAGE	\$3,050	\$2,970	\$2,860	\$2,790	\$2,680	\$2,590	\$2,510
1/2 PAGE	\$2,830	\$2,770	\$2,670	\$2,580	\$2,510	\$2,420	\$2,340
1/3 PAGE	\$2,030	\$1,980	\$1,940	\$1,860	\$1,810	\$1,760	\$1,680

## Full-Run, Run-of-Book Rates RATES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

### Color Charge CHARGE PER COLOR PER PAGE OR FRACTION

Three- and Four-Color Process .....\$910

## Premium Position Rates

2nd Cover (PREMIUM ON B/W SPACE ONLY) .....35%

3rd Cover (PREMIUM ON B/W SPACE ONLY) .....10%

4th Cover (PREMIUM ON B/W SPACE ONLY) .....45%

Opposite Table of Contents (PREMIUM ON B/W SPACE ONLY) .....15%

Preceding Lead Article (PREMIUM ON B/W SPACE ONLY) .....10%

Consecutive Right-hand Pages (FULL OR FRACTIONAL) .....5%



## Cover Tips

Your message displayed on a cover tip offers premium visibility. These units are available on a limited basis and may only be reserved by contract. Please contact advertising sales for availability and pricing.

Specifications for a standard 2-page/singleleaf cover tip:

- Maximum size: 7.75" x 5.5"
- Minimum size: 7.75" x 5"
- Stock: 100 lb text
- Max. weight: 2 pages (single leaf)
- For custom sizes, pita pockets, and multipage units, please contact sales.

## FULL-RUN RATE INFORMATION

**FULL-RUN, RUN-OF-BOOK RATES Effective Rate Date:** January 1, 2025. Agency commission: 15% of gross billing for space and color. Subject to withdrawal on accounts not paid within 30 days of invoice date. **Rebates:** Advertisers who exceed their contracted frequency will be rebated. All paid ad pages count toward earned frequency rate.

**Bleed:** No charge. **First-time Advertisers:** First-time advertisers/agencies are required to prepay first advertising campaign or first

digital month to ensure placement. Contact advertising sales for more information.

**EARNED RATES Policy:** Rates subject to change with 90-days notice. Frequency discounts are based on the actual number of paid pages placed during one contract year. Full-page or fractional units are counted as one page. Split-run pages run in *AFP* count toward the earned rate as one page. Contracts are accepted with the understanding that rates will be guaranteed beyond the last issue closed. Advertising is sold only at earned published rates.

**Contracts and insertion orders** issued for units at less than published rates are not accepted.

**COVERS, PREMIUM POSITIONS:** Covers and positions are sold annually on a contract basis to individual advertisers. Premiums are charged on one page of the ad unit when multiple page units are acceptable. Covers and positions near other positions are not bound by normal product conflict guidelines. Cancellations of less than 60 days written notice will incur a fee equal to the cost of the premium for one month.



# FPM Production

**First Issue:** October 1993

**Issuance:** Published six (6) times per year

**Issue Dates:** Bi-monthly as combined issues

**Mailing Date/Class:** Second week following issue date/Periodicals

Production Deadlines		
ISSUE	SPACE CLOSING DATE	MATERIALS CLOSING DATE
Jan/Feb	Dec 9	Dec 13
Mar/Apr	Feb 7	Feb 13
May/Jun	April 14	April 21
Jul/Aug	June 13	June 19
Sep/Oct	Aug 8	Aug 14
Nov/Dec	Oct 10	Oct 16

## Ad Space Sizes

### AD SPACE SIZES

Full page ..... 7" x 10"  
2/3 page ..... 4 3/8" x 10"  
1/2 page vertical ..... 3 1/4" x 10"  
1/2 page horizontal ..... 7" x 4 1/2"  
1/3 page vertical ..... 2 1/8" x 10"

### BLEED AD SPACE SIZES

Full page ..... 8" x 10 3/4"  
2/3 page ..... 4 3/4" x 10 3/4"  
1/2 page vertical ..... 3 7/8" x 10 3/4"  
1/2 page horizontal ..... 8" x 5 1/8"  
1/3 page vertical ..... 2 3/4" x 10 3/4"

Keep live matter 3/8" away from trim edges.

Trim size of magazine: 7 3/4" x 10 1/2"

## Issue and Closing Dates

- Insertion orders and all reproduction materials are due as indicated in production deadlines table. For dates that fall on weekends or holidays, use the next business day.
- No cancellations after closing date of publication.
- Send Insertion orders to your account manager.

## Ad Placement Policy

Advertising is rotated and interspersed throughout the issue—within departments and between articles.

## Mechanical Requirements

### PAPER STOCK

**Inside pages** (body pages): 60#

**Covers:** 80#

**Type of Binding:** Perfect bound

### SPECIFICATIONS

File types accepted are PDF/X-1a or PDF.

Email files to [btaylor@aafp.org](mailto:btaylor@aafp.org).

- Format files as PDF/X-1a
- Flatten transparencies
- All images at least 300 dpi
- 4/C solids should not exceed ink density of 320%
- Single-page size should not exceed bleed size
- Color bars, crop, and registration marks must be kept outside the bleed size
- Prepare spread ads as individual pages
- After one year of storage, digital files will be deleted

One actual-size, SWOP-certified color proof is recommended and must match the digital file. Contact Bret Taylor at: (913) 906-6294 or [btaylor@aafp.org](mailto:btaylor@aafp.org) for additional specifications.

## Advertising Materials

Send PDFs to: [btaylor@aafp.org](mailto:btaylor@aafp.org)  
and color proofs to:

FPM c/o American Academy of Family Physicians  
Bret Taylor  
11400 Tomahawk Creek Parkway  
Leawood, KS 66211-2680

## Classified and Recruitment Advertising

Momentive Software  
AAFP Classified Ad Sales Team (727) 497-6568  
[aafp@momentivesoftware.com](mailto:aafp@momentivesoftware.com)

# Online Advertising Rates/Opportunities

The combination of AFP/FPM is the perfect choice to reach/engage primary care physicians. Engagement: More than 128,300 AAFP members are registered users of the website.



## AAFP.org Combo US Only<sup>1</sup>

Page views.....	2,769,408
Sessions .....	2,606,039

## AAFP.org/afp US only

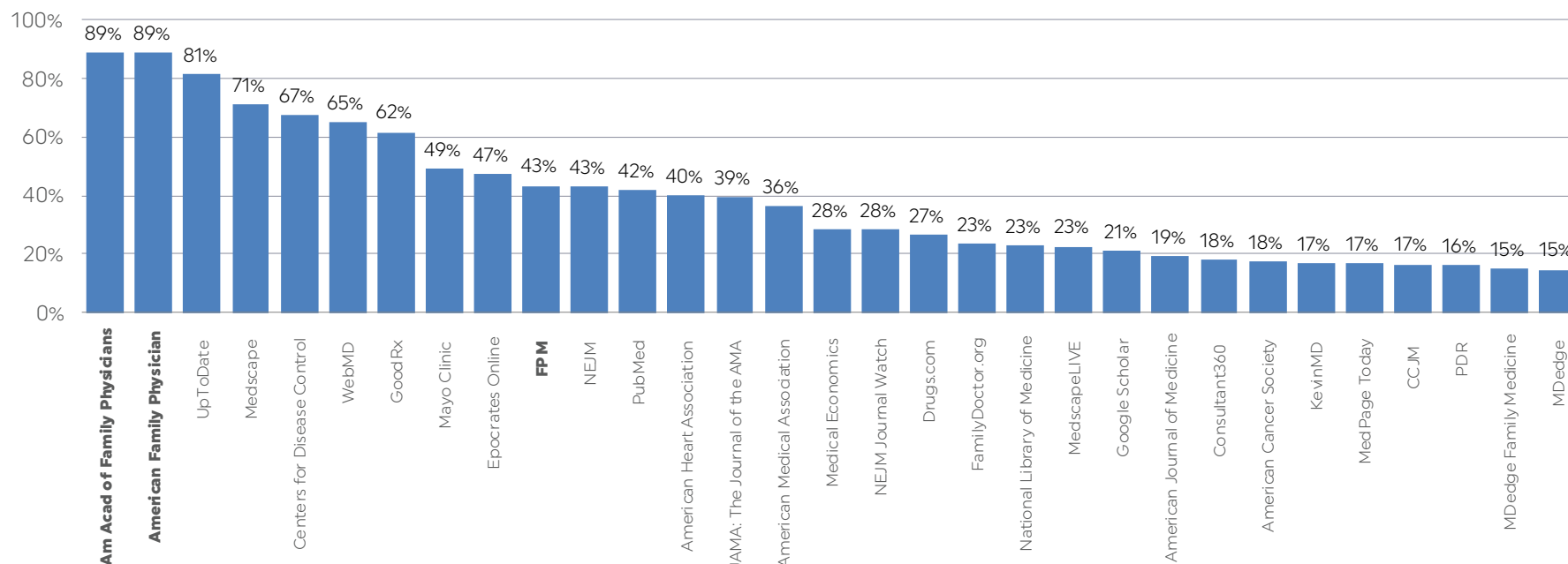
Page views.....	2,462,164
Sessions .....	2,338,060

## AAFP.org/fpm US only

Page views.....	307,244
Sessions .....	238,111

1. Adobe Analytics monthly averages Jan 2024-Jun 2024
2. M3 MI Medical/Surgical Media Measurement 2024, Family Medicine, Table 201

## Website Visitation - Past 6 months<sup>2</sup> Trends: Primary Care (Office)



# Online Advertising Rates/Opportunities (continued)

## AAFP.org Advertising Rates RATES EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2025

AD UNIT	COST
AFP/FPM Combo Buy (banners*)	\$130 CPM
AFP/FPM Combo Buy Half page (300x600)	\$155 CPM
AFP/FPM Combo Buy Interstitial	\$225 CPM
*Leaderboard (728x90), medium box (300x250)	

## Website and eTOC Advertising Specifications

CREATIVE UNIT NAME	INITIAL DIMENSIONS (WxH IN PIXELS)	MAXIMUM EXPANDED DIMENSIONS (WxH IN PIXELS)	MAX INITIAL FILE LOAD SIZE	HOST-INITIATED SUBLOAD	ANIMATION/VIDEO GUIDELINES	Z-INDEX RANGES	UNIT-SPECIFIC NOTES
Expandable/Retractable	300x250 to 600x250, 300x600 to 600x600, 728x90 to 728x315	Expansion must be user-initiated	150 KB	300 KB	Minimum 24 fps for video 15-sec max length (unlimited user-initiated); 1.1 MB additional file size allowed for host-initiated video; unlimited size for user-initiated video)	5,000 - 1,999,999 (for entire ad unit)	Retract Feature = Either click to close/expand or enable Mouse-Off Retraction
Medium Rectangle (Non Expanding)	300x250	N/A	150 KB	Not allowed for this unit	15-sec max animation length; Max loop 3 times	0 - 4,999	Ad unit content must be clearly distinguishable from normal webpage content (ad unit must have clearly defined borders and not be confused with normal page content).
Leaderboard (Non Expanding)	728x90	N/A	150 KB	Not allowed for this unit	15-sec max animation length; Max loop 3 times	0 - 4,999	Ad unit content must be clearly distinguishable from normal webpage content (ad unit must have clearly defined borders and not be confused with normal page content).
Half Page (Non Expanding)	300x600	N/A	150 KB	Not allowed for this unit	15-sec max animation length; Max loop 3 times	0 - 4,999	Ad unit content must be clearly distinguishable from normal webpage content (ad unit must have clearly defined borders and not be confused with normal page content).
Smartphone Static Wide Banner	320x50	N/A	50 KB	Not allowed for this unit	15-sec max animation length; Video not allowed for this unit	0 - 4,999	Ad unit content must be clearly distinguishable from normal webpage content (ad unit must have clearly defined borders and not be confused with normal page content).
Between-the-Page (a.k.a. "Interstitial")	300x250 300x600 800x400	N/A	200 KB	300 KB	15-sec max animation length; Video not allowed for this unit	N/A Unless the ad covers content on the target page, then use range for overlays: 6,000,000+	Label = "Advertisement" Font = 8pt (11px) by 16pt (21px); "Close" control provided by browser window if ad displays in its own browser window. If overlaid on target page, include "Close X" button. Font = 8pt (11px) by 16pt (21px)
eTOC/Newsletter	300x250	N/A	N/A		130 characters Maximum looping (animation): 3 loops Maximum file size and required format: 200 kb; GIF Animated GIF files are accepted. In certain email applications, only a static image of the first frame of the animation will appear. Please ensure any branding and important information appears in the first frame.		Medium box creative must include company name and/or body copy. Static GIF or JPEG Flash and rich media are not supported. Third party <noscript> tags are accepted if they render the actual GIF image and URL landing page. Tags rendering at 1 ppi are not accepted.
eTOC/Newsletter	Inline Text	N/A	N/A		Headline 50 characters, body copy 300 characters. Up to 2 URL links allowed		

# Email Display and Inline Text Advertising

**Distribution:** Includes active AAFP member physicians and journal subscribers.

**Semi-exclusive opportunity:** Only one display ad (300x250 medium box) and one inline text ad (headline/copy = 350 characters) are accepted per newsletter or eTOC. High SOV.\*

EMAIL DISTRIBUTION	AFP ETOC/ CLINICAL ANSWERS	FPM ETOC	FPM Enewsletter
Average Distribution	111,098	104,000	104,000
Frequency	2x/month	6x/year	Weekly
<b>Specialty*</b>			
Family Medicine	93%	95%	86%
Other Specialty	3%	1%	3%
Unknown or Not Applicable	5%	3%	8%
<b>Designation*</b>			
MD	67%	79%	73%
DO	18%	19%	18%
NP	1%	0%	1%
PA	1%	0%	1%
Other Designation	2%	0%	1%
Unknown	12%	1%	4%
* Specialties and Designations add to more than total due to multiple specialties and designations for many individuals			

## Example of inline text ad:

INFORMATION FROM THE AAFP
<b>Impact on Health Systems from COVID-19 and the Role of Social Determinants of Health</b>
Family physicians can ensure equitable access to care for COVID-19 and many other diseases and conditions by recognizing and addressing

\*Medium box creative must include company name and/or body copy.

See pages 29 and 30 for more information.

## AFP eTOC/Clinical Answers Advertising Rates

	1-X	3-X	6-X	12-X	18-X	24-X
MEDIUM BOX (300X250)	\$10,290	\$9,780	\$9,320	\$8,800	\$8,340	\$7,940
INLINE TEXT AD	\$7,210	\$6,850	\$6,540	\$6,170	\$5,870	\$5,570
MED. BOX & INLINE TEXT	\$16,860	\$16,020	\$15,270	\$14,420	\$13,670	\$12,990

## AFP eTOC/Clinical Answers Production Deadlines

ISSUE	AD SPACE CLOSING	AD MATERIAL DUE	AFP ETOC/CLINICAL ANSWERS DELIVERY DATE
Jan - Clinical Answers	12/11/24	12/16/24	01/03/25
January - eTOC	01/02/25	01/07/25	01/16/25
Feb - Clinical Answers	01/17/25	01/23/25	02/03/25
February - eTOC	02/04/25	02/07/25	02/18/25
Mar - Clinical Answers	02/17/25	02/20/25	03/03/25
March - eTOC	03/04/25	03/07/25	03/18/25
Apr - Clinical Answers	03/18/25	03/21/25	04/01/25
April - eTOC	04/02/25	04/07/25	04/17/25
May - Clinical Answers	04/17/25	04/22/25	05/01/25
May - eTOC	05/02/25	05/07/25	05/16/25
Jun - Clinical Answers	05/16/25	05/21/25	06/02/25
June - eTOC	06/03/25	06/06/25	06/17/25
Jul - Clinical Answers	06/17/25	06/20/25	07/01/25
July - eTOC	07/01/25	07/07/25	07/16/25
Aug - Clinical Answers	07/18/25	07/23/25	08/01/25
August - eTOC	08/04/25	08/07/25	08/18/25
Sep - Clinical Answers	08/18/25	08/21/25	09/02/25
September - eTOC	09/02/25	09/05/25	09/16/25
Oct - Clinical Answers	09/17/25	09/22/25	10/01/25
October - eTOC	10/02/25	10/07/25	10/16/25
Nov - Clinical Answers	10/20/25	10/23/25	11/03/25
November - eTOC	11/03/25	11/07/25	11/18/25
Dec - Clinical Answers	11/13/25	11/18/25	12/01/25
December - eTOC	12/02/25	12/05/25	12/16/25

## FPM eTOC/eNewsletter Advertising Rates

	1-X	3-X	6-X	12-X	18-X	24-X
<b>MEDIUM BOX (300x250)</b>	\$7,500	\$6,920	\$6,600	\$6,240	\$5,910	\$5,610
<b>INLINE TEXT AD</b>	\$5,100	\$4,860	\$4,640	\$4,370	\$4,160	\$3,950
<b>MED. BOX &amp; INLINE TEXT</b>	\$11,920	\$11,360	\$10,800	\$10,200	\$9,670	\$9,190

## FPM eTOC/eNewsletter Production Deadlines

ISSUE	AD SPACE CLOSING	AD MATERIAL DUE	ETOC/ ENEWSLETTER DELIVERY DATE
Jan - eNewsletter 1	12/16/24	12/19/24	01/08/25
Jan/Feb Issue - eTOC	12/23/24	01/06/25	01/15/25
Jan - eNewsletter 2	01/07/25	01/10/25	01/22/25
Feb - eNewsletter 1	01/22/25	01/27/25	02/05/25
Feb - eNewsletter 2	01/29/25	02/03/25	02/12/25
Feb - eNewsletter 3	02/05/25	02/10/25	02/19/25
Feb - eNewsletter 4	02/12/25	02/17/25	02/26/25
Mar - eNewsletter 1	02/19/25	02/24/25	03/05/25
Mar/Apr Issue - eTOC	02/26/25	03/03/25	03/12/25
Mar - eNewsletter 2	03/05/25	03/10/25	03/19/25
Mar - eNewsletter 3	03/12/25	03/17/25	03/26/25
Apr - eNewsletter 1	03/19/25	03/24/25	04/02/25
Apr - eNewsletter 2	03/26/25	03/31/25	04/09/25
Apr - eNewsletter 3	04/01/25	04/04/25	04/16/25
Apr - eNewsletter 4	04/08/25	04/11/25	04/23/25
May - eNewsletter 1	04/23/25	04/28/25	05/07/25
May/Jun Issue - eTOC	04/30/25	05/05/25	05/14/25
May - eNewsletter 2	05/07/25	05/12/25	05/21/25
Jun - eNewsletter 1	05/20/25	05/23/25	06/04/25
Jun - eNewsletter 2	05/28/25	06/02/25	06/11/25
Jun - eNewsletter 3	06/04/25	06/09/25	06/18/25
Jun - eNewsletter 4	06/11/25	06/16/25	06/25/25

ISSUE	AD SPACE CLOSING	AD MATERIAL DUE	ETOC/ ENEWSLETTER DELIVERY DATE
Jul/Aug Issue - eTOC	06/24/25	06/27/25	07/09/25
Jul - eNewsletter 1	07/02/25	07/08/25	07/17/25
Jul - eNewsletter 2	07/09/25	07/14/25	07/23/25
Aug - eNewsletter 1	07/23/25	07/28/25	08/06/25
Aug - eNewsletter 2	07/30/25	08/04/25	08/13/25
Aug - eNewsletter 3	08/06/25	08/11/25	08/20/25
Aug - eNewsletter 4	08/13/25	08/18/25	08/27/25
Sep/Oct Issue - eTOC	08/26/25	08/29/25	09/10/25
Sep - eNewsletter 1	09/03/25	09/08/25	09/17/25
Sep - eNewsletter 2	09/10/25	09/15/25	09/24/25
Oct - eNewsletter 1	09/18/25	09/23/25	10/02/25
Oct - eNewsletter 2	09/24/25	09/29/25	10/08/25
Oct - eNewsletter 3	10/01/25	10/06/25	10/15/25
Oct - eNewsletter 4	10/08/25	10/13/25	10/22/25
Nov - eNewsletter 1	10/21/25	10/24/25	11/05/25
Nov/Dec Issue - eTOC	10/28/25	10/31/25	11/12/25
Nov - eNewsletter 2	11/05/25	11/10/25	11/19/25
Dec - eNewsletter 1	11/17/25	11/20/25	12/03/25
Dec - eNewsletter 2	11/24/25	12/01/25	12/10/25
Dec - eNewsletter 3	12/03/25	12/08/25	12/17/25

# Advertising and Funded Activities: Policies and Principles

The AAFP accepts paid advertising and externally funded educational activities in certain of its publications including *American Family Physician (AFP)* and *FPM* journal print and digital channels. The revenue associated with these commercial investments helps to support numerous activities of the AAFP, including the publishing expenses of professional journals like *AFP* and *FPM*. The purpose of the AAFP journals is to serve our members, our specialty, and the broader primary care medical profession. This includes providing continuing medical education. Because of this, the appearance of advertising and other funded activities cannot indicate or imply AAFP or journal endorsement of the advertised company or product(s), nor can funders influence the independence of editorial content at any stage of its development in any channel.

AAFP physician members, other nonmember physicians, and other allied healthcare professionals expect the AAFP journals to be authoritative, independent voices in the world of science and medicine.

Public confidence in our objectivity is critical to carrying out our mission. The AAFP adheres to the standards for advertising set forth by the Council of Medical Specialty Societies (CMSS) Code for Interactions with Companies, which includes these statements:

*Advertising in all Society publications should be easily distinguishable from editorial content. Advertising should not be designed to look like scientific articles.*

*In Society Journals, the placement of Advertising adjacent to articles or editorial content discussing the Company or product that is the subject of the ad should be prohibited.*

*Society Journals and other Society publications that...provide activities through which readers can earn CME credits should also comply with ACCME requirements for Advertising set out in the Standards for Commercial Support.*

**The following advertising policies and principles apply to all AAFP journal brands and channels:**

1. Products and services to be advertised must meet the standards of generally accepted medical practice, be relevant to the clinical or socioeconomic practice of medicine, or be of special interest to the physician readership. Funding, including for advertising, is accepted only if judged to be consistent with the interests of family physicians, and funding standards are both formalized and ever evolving.
2. The AAFP and its journal staff has the right to refuse any advertisement or funded activity that, in their sole discretion, is incompatible with the mission or inconsistent with the values of the journal or society, as well as to stop accepting any advertisement or funded activity previously accepted.
3. Advertisements, including advertising creative, that are new to the AAFP journals require pre-approval before they can appear and must be submitted for review no later than 10 days before the closing date for the issue.
4. Advertisements and funded activities for the following categories are prohibited: Alcohol, tobacco, cannabis or cannabinoids, weapons, firearms, ammunition, fireworks, gambling and lottery, pornography or related themes, and political and religious themes, as well as any that claim to have a nonscientifically substantiated cure or method, that make unsubstantiated health claims for the products advertised, and that are directed at children.
5. All advertisements and funded activities must clearly and prominently identify the advertiser by logo or name identification.
6. We prohibit the intentional placement of advertisements and funded activities adjacent to content that discusses the Company or product as the advertised product.
7. Advertisements and funded activities that make comparative claims to competitive products must be substantiated by supporting data.
8. Products that require approval by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for marketing must receive FDA approval before being eligible to advertise and must include "full disclosure" when required. It is the responsibility of the advertiser to conform to regulations of the FDA and all legal requirements for the content of claims made for products.
9. We may require supporting documentation to substantiate claims. For products not regulated by the FDA or other government agency, technical and/or scientific documentation may be required.
10. Advertisements and funded activities that make health claims for non-FDA approved nutritional supplements, foods, food additives, and other substances and devices with health claims must be substantiated by clinical studies, generally meaning studies that have independent support in authoritative, evidence-based medical literature. Such advertisements and funded activities may be required to additionally carry the following disclaimer: "These statements have not been evaluated by the Food and Drug Administration. This product is not intended to diagnose, treat, cure, or prevent any disease."
11. The AAFP follows the American Medical Association's Code of Medical Ethics Opinion 8.063 regarding the sale of health-related products from physician's offices. Products must serve the immediate and pressing needs of their patients, be supported by evidence in peer-reviewed literature and other unbiased scientific sources that review evidence in a sound, systematic, and reliable fashion, and such sales must not present a financial conflict of interest for the physician or physician's practice.
12. The AAFP follows the American Medical Association's Code of Medical Ethics Opinion 8.03 prohibiting physicians from placing their own financial interests above the welfare of their patients. Advertisements for products or services that assist the physician in running a more efficient practice, thus enabling the physician more time for patient care, will generally be accepted. Included here would be categories such as office equipment, medical billing systems, or other software products. Advertisements that focus solely on increasing profitability are not acceptable.



13. Continuing medical education courses, seminars, and conferences are eligible to advertise.
14. For enduring materials (e.g., books, audio and video products, computer software, etc.), submission of a sample for review to establish eligibility may be required.
15. The full rules for any market research or promotion associated with an advertisement must be displayed in the ad or available via a prominent link.
16. Sponsored Content: Advertorials and other longer-form content created for commercial purposes may be harder for the average reader to readily distinguish from journal content. While the AAFP journals do allow such types of advertising, we will publish no advertising that resembles our editorial content in form or format enough to confuse the reader or to be mistaken for editorial content. The company name or brand logo must appear prominently on the first page of this type of sponsored content and the word "SPONSORED" must appear in all caps at the top center of each page. Sponsored Content designs and layouts must be advance-reviewed for approval by the journal staff. At their discretion, the advertising may need to be reformatted to minimize its resemblance to editorial content, and this must be considered as part of an approval timetable. The journal editors have no part in the development of such sponsored content.
17. The journals adhere to the policies of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP), the Council of Medical Specialty Societies (CMSS) Code, and the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) Standards. Journal staff members also frequently reference guidance and recommendations of the World Association of Medical Editors (WAME) and the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors (ICMJE).

18. The following online advertising formats are prohibited: pop-ups and floating ads, ads that collect personally identifiable information from site users without their knowledge or permission, ads that extend across or down the page without the visitor having clicked or rolled over the ad, and ads that send visitors to another site without the visitor having clicked the ad.
19. Online and digital advertisements must be clearly distinguishable from editorial content and will be labeled "ADVERTISEMENT" as part of standard site architecture.
20. Neither advertisers nor their agents may collect any personal information from the user except with the user's knowledge and permission and only after giving the user substantive information about the uses of the information. Similarly, cookies, pixels, applets, and other such files are prohibited if those files transmit any personally identifiable information to the advertiser or agent without the user's knowledge and permission.

### Business policies:

21. In consideration of publication of an advertisement, the advertiser and the agency, jointly and severally, agree to indemnify and hold harmless the AAFP and its officers, agents, and employees against expenses (including legal fees) and losses resulting from the publication of the contents of the ad, including, without limitation, claims or suits for libel, violation of privacy, copyright infringement, or plagiarism.
22. The AAFP shall not be liable for any failure to print, publish, or circulate any ad that is accepted. However, the journals shall, in collaboration with the advertiser or its agent, use reasonable efforts to place such advertising among subsequent available inventory.

23. The AAFP is not responsible for incidental or consequential damage for errors in printing an ad.
24. The AAFP will not be bound by any condition, printed or otherwise, appearing on order blanks or copy instructions when such conditions conflict with the conditions set forth in these advertising policies and principles.
25. Because editorial content requirements change as issue production progresses, all advertising insertion order position clauses are treated as important requests that may require change.
26. In the event of nonpayment, the advertiser and/or its agency shall be jointly and severally liable for such monies as are due and payable to the AAFP or its sales agents.
27. Advertising materials must conform to mechanical specifications as indicated in the most recent journal media kit.

These advertising policies and principles are not exhaustive and are subject to change at any time without notice.

**Updated: July 2024**

# More Opportunities with the AAFP

The American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) works with a variety of health care-focused companies that share our goal of providing family physicians, their care teams, and their patients with the best resources and education tools. We strive to ensure our partnership delivers a valuable, collaborative, and relevant experience by identifying win-win opportunities for everyone involved.

The AAFP provides numerous ways to connect and collaborate with the Academy and our members.

## BECOME AN AAFP PARTNER

Amplify your brand and build relationships with physicians in one of health care's largest specialties. The AAFP Partner Program offers six levels to best fit your organization's budget and goals. At every partner level, you'll join a passionate community where you can empower family physicians and make a real difference in patient care.

## SHARE YOUR BRANDED CONTENT

Get your branded primary care educational content and resources into the hands of AAFP members. Whether sharing your organization's practice management tools, health and well-being information or clinical resources, a multi-channel marketing approach is utilized to maximize reach among family physicians and enhance overall value.

## COLLABORATE ON STRATEGIC PROJECTS

Let's work together to develop practical, evidence-based tools and resources that improve educational outcomes for family physicians, family medicine residents and medical students as well as the patients they serve.

## SPONSOR OR EXHIBIT AT AN EVENT

Increase your brand's visibility and directly connect with members at an industry-leading AAFP event. Opportunities include FMX, the premier family medicine event, FUTURE, the national event dedicated to the next generation of family physicians, AAFP Leadership Conference, Direct Primary Care Summit, Resident Leadership Summit and the Physician Health and Well-Being Conference.

## HIRE FAMILY PHYSICIANS

Search the largest pool of family medicine candidates to fill your openings. Utilize AAFP CareerLink to post open positions and get noticed by the most qualified candidates.

## ADVERTISE DIRECTLY TO PATIENTS

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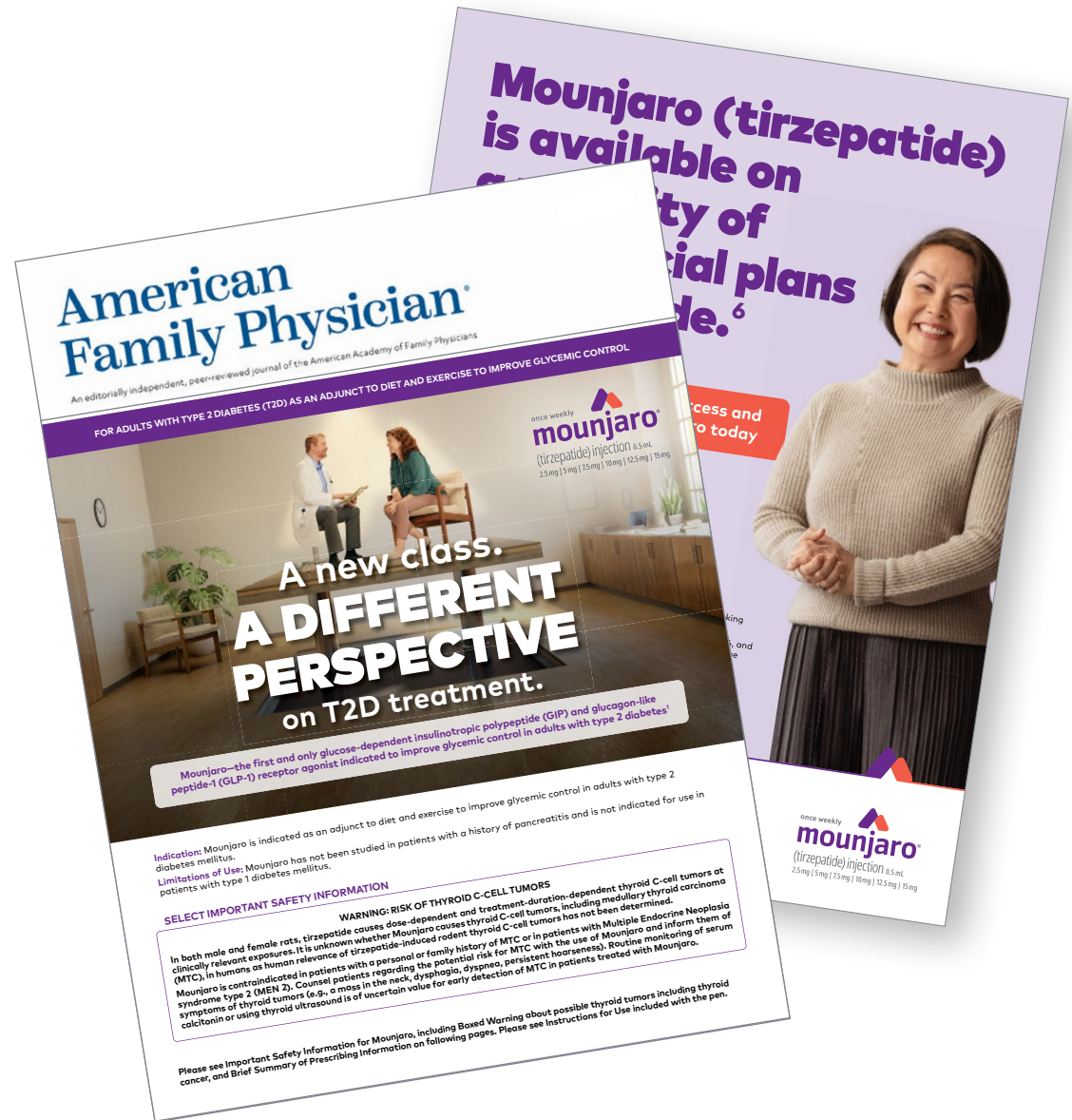
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disease."<sup>10</sup> Nevertheless, they may serve as a useful starting point for clinical and shared decision-making about antihypertensive treatment goals and intensity.

### Lifestyle Modifications

Physicians should counsel all patients with elevated blood pressure or hypertension about effective lifestyle interventions, including the Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension (DASH) diet, dietary sodium restriction, dietary potassium enrichment, weight loss, regular exercise, and moderation of alcohol intake.<sup>11-14</sup> The original DASH diet showed that a diet rich in fruits, vegetables, and low-fat dairy and with reduced saturated and total fat substantially lowers blood pressure in adults.<sup>15</sup> Dietary sodium restriction to 1,500 mg per day or reduction by at least 100 mg per day from usual daily intake lowers blood pressure in adults.<sup>16</sup> Blood pressure reduction is greater when dietary sodium intake is lowered to 120 mg per day and when sodium intake is reduced by the DASH diet.<sup>17</sup> The benefits of sodium loss are further supported by evidence showing that potassium lowers blood pressure and reduces the risk of all-cause mortality.<sup>18</sup> The benefits of dietary potassium must be balanced with the risk of hypokalemia with chronic kidney disease or renal medications that

regularly increase exercise losses and potassium levels.<sup>19</sup> Physicians should advise patients to engage in vigorous aerobic physical activity for 40 minutes 4 or 5 times per week to lower blood pressure. This recommendation is obtained from 100 minutes of moderate-intensity physical activity (such as brisk walking) per week of moderate aerobic (such as walking) or a combination of both for cardiovascular benefit.<sup>20</sup> Physicians should advise patients who are overweight or obese<sup>21</sup> Weight loss of 5% (or 10% if associated) with a moderate reduction in systolic blood pressure, but the effects on mortality are unclear.<sup>22</sup> Light alcohol consumption (up to one standard drink) is associated with reduced cardiovascular disease case mortality. However, excessive or excess intake (more than 1 or 2 drinks per day) increases the risk of associated cardiovascular disease in a dose-dependent fashion.<sup>23</sup> Reducing wine intake to less than 1 glass per day improves heart failure reduction but not provide additional cardiovascular benefit. Moderate wine consumption may be relevant if used frequently or as a lifestyle behavioral measurement. The effects of lifestyle modification on cardiovascular risk are summarized in Table 3.<sup>24</sup>

### Pharmacotherapy

Physicians should prescribe blood-pressure-lowering for patients with stage 1 hypertension and clinical ASCVD treatment to an ACCVGO risk of 10% or higher. Based on the ACCVGO risk stratification, the following

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drug selection based on race for nonhypertensive health-care adherence, there is increasingly insufficient evidence to support the use of a single drug or combination of two antihypertensives from different classes in nonwhite patients across racial groups with stage 1 hypertension. Blood pressure is more than 20 mm Hg systolic or 10 diastolic or more.<sup>25</sup> Common examples of first-line preventive medications and their typical dosages are in Table 4.<sup>26-28</sup> Guidelines on blood pressure treatment adults are summarized in Table 5.<sup>29-31</sup> Recommendations for lower treatment goals in the American College of Cardiology/American Heart Association were influenced by the SPRINT (Systolic Blood Pressure Intervention Trial), which found lower rates of cardiovascular events (1.7% vs 2.2% hazard ratio) in patients with systolic blood pressure less than 120 mm Hg compared with less than 140 mm Hg.<sup>32</sup> However, a meta-analysis of a trial, including SPRINT, found that lower blood pressure and lower risk of all-cause mortality (HR = 0.84, 95% CI 0.71 to 1.00) and stroke (2.4% vs 3.8% hazard ratio) were associated with intensification.<sup>33</sup> lowering.<sup>34</sup> The SPRINT also observed higher rates of risk, especially electrolyte abnormalities, and acute kidney injury in the treatment group than in the standard group (0.7% vs 2.3% hazard ratio; 1.8% number needed to treat [NNT]; 45).<sup>32</sup> Of note, a recent secondary analysis found that the beneficial effect of intensive hypertension on mortality was not observed in adults 65 years or older.<sup>35</sup> mean systolic blood pressure increased, further blurring the effects of managing hypertension in the population of older adults.

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**Table 3. Lifestyle Modifications for Patients Hypertension**

Intervention	Blood pressure reduction	Stroke reduction
DASH diet plus sodium reduction	11.5	5.5
DASH diet	5.9	4.2
Sodium restriction (<100 mg per day)	4.8	4.2
Potassium salt substitutes	4.8	4.8
Aerobic exercise (30 minutes 5 times per week)	4.4 to 5.6	4.8
Weight loss of 45 lb (20 kg)	6.6	5.5
Moderation of alcohol consumption	5.5	5.5

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**Table 4. Comparison of Blood Pressure Treatments for Adults by Major Medical Organization Guideline**

Patient characteristics	Blood pressure goal
<b>JNC 8 (2014)<sup>25</sup></b>	
Most patients 65 years or older	<150/90 mm Hg
Most patients younger than 60 years	<140/90 mm Hg
Chronic kidney disease or diabetes mellitus (age 60 years)	<130/80 mm Hg
<b>ACC/AHA (2017)<sup>29</sup></b>	
10-year ASCVD risk <10%	<140/90 mm Hg
10-year ASCVD risk ≥10%	<130/80 mm Hg
10-year ASCVD risk <10%	<130/80 mm Hg
Known atherosclerotic disease	<130/80 mm Hg
<b>ISH (2002)<sup>36</sup></b>	
65 years or older	<140/90 mm Hg
Younger than 65 years	<140/90 mm Hg
Younger than 65 years	<130/80 mm Hg
<b>NICE (2005)<sup>37</sup></b>	
80 years or older	<150/90 mm Hg
Younger than 80 years	<140/90 mm Hg
<b>AAFP (2013)<sup>38</sup></b>	
Adults of all ages	

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## Hypertension in Adults: Initial Evaluation and Management

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### Learning Objectives

1. Identify recommended but often underused evidence-based services relevant to patients with chronic illnesses (such as diabetes) to maximize professional reimbursement.
2. Use up-to-date coding and billing practices to ensure accurate reimbursement of these services.
3. Incorporate these services into clinical practice to maximize potential for quality improvement and reimbursement.

## Hypertension in Adults

Hypertension is the persistent elevation of systolic and/or diastolic blood pressure and a leading modifiable risk factor for cardiovascular disease; it is the most common chronic condition seen by family physicians. Cardiovascular and cerebrovascular risk each increase linearly with blood pressure higher than 110/75 mm Hg, and risk accumulates with the addition of other cardiovascular risk factors. Treatment of hypertension reduces morbidity and mortality due to coronary artery disease, myocardial infarction, heart failure, stroke, and chronic kidney disease.<sup>1-4</sup>

Depending on the threshold used for diagnosis, hypertension affects 32% to 46% of U.S. adults, and prevalence increases with age.<sup>2</sup> Black individuals are affected at least 30% more than White individuals; this racial disparity is greatest among women, according to data from the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey.<sup>3</sup> Reasons for these disparities are not completely understood, but access to care and social determinants of health play a significant role.<sup>6</sup> Classifications of hypertension according to recent guidelines are shown in Table 1.<sup>2,4,7,8</sup>

## Screening and Diagnosis

The U.S. Preventive Services Task Force recommends screening for hypertension in adults 18 years or older with office blood pressure measurement (grade A recommendation).<sup>9</sup> Blood pressure should be measured using a calibrated auscultatory or oscillometric device. The cuff bladder should encircle 80% of the patient's arm because cuffs that are too small will overestimate blood pressure.<sup>2,10</sup> An AFP Community Blog post discusses the importance of accurate cuff size (<https://www.aafp.org/pubs/afp/afp-community-blog/entry/for-accurate-blood-pressure->

measurement-cuff-size-matters.html). Patients should rest quietly for five minutes in a chair, with their feet on the floor and their arm supported at heart level. At least two or three measurements should be taken at one- to two-minute intervals.<sup>2,3,10</sup>

For accurate diagnosis, blood pressure should be averaged over three or more separate visits, unless blood pressure exceeds 180/110 mm Hg or 160/100 mm Hg with evidence of end-organ damage.<sup>2,4</sup> Office blood pressure measurements should be confirmed with home or 24-hour ambulatory measurements when possible.<sup>8,11</sup> Typically, these will be 5 to 10 mm Hg lower than office measurements. Moreover, up to 20% of patients with high blood pressure in the clinic have normal ambulatory pressure or white coat hypertension.<sup>2,3</sup>

## Evaluation

Assessment should focus on identifying complications of hypertension and comorbid cardiovascular risk factors.<sup>4</sup> History should include a personal and family history of hypertension, cardiovascular disease, and related disorders, such as diabetes mellitus and hyperlipidemia. Prior treatment, medications, and lifestyle habits (e.g., diet; salt intake; exercise; sleep; use of alcohol, tobacco, and stimulants) should be noted.

The physical examination and review of systems should identify pertinent signs and symptoms of cardiac, pulmonary, neurologic, visual, renal, and peripheral vascular dysfunction. Common secondary causes of hypertension should be considered, such as obstructive sleep apnea, primary aldosteronism, renovascular disease, renal parenchymal disease, and alcohol and illicit drug use, especially in patients younger than 30 years and those with markedly elevated blood pressure.<sup>2,12</sup>

Recommended laboratory and other diagnostic tests are listed in Table 2.<sup>2,13</sup> Patients 20 to 79 years of age without arteriosclerotic cardiovascular disease (ASCVD) can be risk stratified using the ASCVD Risk Estimator ([https://tools.aacv.org/ldl/ascvd\\_risk\\_estimator/index.html](https://tools.aacv.org/ldl/ascvd_risk_estimator/index.html))<sup>14</sup> or ASCVD Risk Estimator Plus (<https://tools.aacv.org/ascvd-risk-estimator-plus/>).<sup>2,15</sup> These tools have been shown to significantly overestimate risk in patients with predicted risk greater than 10%, higher socioeconomic status, or greater utilization of preventive care services. The tools underestimate risk in patients from certain racial or ethnic groups and in those with lower socioeconomic status or chronic inflammatory

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## Family Medicine Practices: A Frontline Defense Against Vaginitis Co-Infections

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Family Medicine physicians are the frontline of healthcare for many women, often serving as the first point of contact for diagnosis and treatment of a full range of gynecological issues and healthcare needs. In the U.S., more than 10 million women do not have a single OB/GYN in their county, and many of these women rely on family medicine physicians to help fill that void.

In fact, one of the leading reasons that patients visit my office is vaginitis, an infection that most women will experience at least once in their lifetime.<sup>1</sup> Millions of vaginitis cases occur in the U.S. each year, approximately 90% are caused either individually or in combination by bacterial vaginosis (BV), *Candida* vaginitis, and *Trichomonas* vaginitis.<sup>2-4</sup> However, achieving an accurate vaginitis diagnosis can be challenging because these causes share overlapping symptoms, like vaginal discharge or irritation and pain during urination, with other infections, including some sexually transmitted infections (STIs).<sup>5-7</sup> Due to these obstacles, an estimated 30% of women with symptomatic vaginitis will remain incorrectly diagnosed when informed by clinical evaluation alone.<sup>8,9</sup>

Early diagnosis and appropriate treatment of vaginitis and/or potential STIs are critical to safeguarding a woman's health, and we are a patient's best resource for detection and care. It is critical for family physicians to ensure patients receive comprehensive testing that leads to an accurate diagnosis the first time.

**Risks of Delayed or Missed Vaginitis Diagnoses**

Delivering a timely diagnosis requires physicians to first recognize the barriers that lead to delayed care. For example, many of my patients have shared they have felt embarrassed by their uncomfortable symptoms, and others aren't able to take time off of work or find childcare to come in for

### STI Prevalence Rates

Category	Prevalence Rate
Women without BV	12.5%
Women with BV	26.3%

an exam. This leads many women to self-diagnose, potentially mistaking their symptoms as a yeast infection instead of BV, leading to self-treatment with over-the-counter medications before they are able to make an office appointment.<sup>10</sup>

What patients don't realize is that this can leave them vulnerable to more serious reproductive health consequences. Delayed diagnosis or misdiagnosis of vaginitis can put women at increased risk for STIs and pelvic inflammatory disease (PID), leading to other sequelae such as ectopic pregnancy and tubal infertility if left untreated.<sup>11-13</sup>

**Connection Between Vaginitis and STIs**

The high incidence of vaginitis and its potential harm on a woman's reproductive health make it crucial for clinicians to make sure they have the full picture when it comes to their patients' diagnoses, especially at a time when research continues to indicate a strong link between vaginitis and STI co-infections. A recent study from Schwelbe et al found that 1 in 5 women presenting with vaginitis symptoms also tested positive for at least one STI. Women who tested positive for BV, which causes approximately half of all vaginitis cases (either alone or in combination with another pathogen), had 2x the rate (26.3%) of STIs compared with those who were negative (12.5%). BV was most significantly linked to *T. vaginalis* (TV) and *Mycoplasma genitalium* (M. gen).<sup>14</sup>

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tions missed, compared to urine samples, which can miss up to 10% of infections.<sup>22,28</sup>

By delivering more accurate diagnoses from the start, family physicians can streamline their processes and decrease patient callbacks for re-collection. This also makes it easier to identify proper treatments and allow patients to return to their everyday lives quickly.

### Solidifying the Role of Family Physicians in Women's Health

We continue to see large and diverse segments of patients choosing to visit their family physician for holistic care, making it more important than ever to be fully engaged in the full range women's health issues and effective gynecological care. Given the ongoing challenge of efficiently managing patient loads, it is crucial to implement technology that simplifies workflow and provides an accurate diagnosis quickly.

NAAT represents an advanced, reliable, and efficient solution to the diagnostic challenges associated with detecting vaginitis and STI co-infections. By incorporating routine NAAT testing into primary care, we can significantly improve patient outcomes and further solidify the role of family physicians in delivering comprehensive women's health care.

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