### Pearls
- Hypertension is defined as a patient with a systolic blood pressure > 130 or a diastolic blood pressure > 80.
- This primary impression should be reserved only for asymptomatic patients complaining of high blood pressure, regardless of actual blood pressure.

### History
- Age
- Past medical history
- Drug allergies and medications
- Access to Nicotine products
- Use of over-the-counter medications
- Access to illicit drug use

### Signs and Symptoms
- Tinnitus
- Hypertension

### Differential
- Stroke (hemorrhagic or ischemic)
- Drugs of abuse (e.g., amphetamines, cocaine, PCP)
- Primary Aldosteronism/Wilm’s tumor
- Hypertrophic cardiomyopathy
- Overdose/toxic ingestion

### Signs and Symptoms

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