



# Recommendations on the management of blood cholesterol for preventing cardiovascular disease

Oct 31, 2022



Age: 52 years (DOB: 1/1/70)

Gender: male

Race/Ethnicity: Other

## ■ Heart Disease Risk

Based on guidance from American College of Cardiology and American Heart Association

14.9%
OPTIMAL SCORE
2.6%



% Your 14.9% score estimates your chance of having a heart attack, stroke or other cardiovascular event within the next ten

vears.

**15 out of a 100** individuals *like you* would be predicted to have a heart attack, stroke or other cardiovascular event within the next ten years.

Y

**85 out of a 100** individuals *like you* would be predicted to **not** have a heart attack, stroke or other cardiovascular event within the next ten years.

MY RISK STATUS

 Your risk score is between 7.5% to less than 20%, which is Intermediate risk for developing heart attack, stroke or other cardiovascular event
 With appropriate medical management, your risk score could be lowered to 2.6%

Note: Risk of heart attack, stroke or other cardiovascular event may be **higher** than the indicated score for **American Indians**, **Asian Americans of South Asian ancestry and Puerto Ricans**.

The risk may be **lower** than the indicated score for **Asian Americans of East Asian ancestry and Mexican American populations.** 

LABS & HISTORY

10/31/22 | Attested Total cholesterol 250 mg/dL

10/31/22 | Attested **Triglycerides** 266 mg/dL

7/12/19 | **#** Health Hb A1c

5.9 %

Hypertension medication lisinopril

(PRINIVIL, ZESTRIL) 5 MG

tablet

10/31/22 | Attested LDL cholesterol 130 mg/dL

10/31/22 | Attested **Blood Pressure** 156/95 mmHg

10/31/22 | Attested Diabetes mellitus

No

10/31/22 | Attested Cholesterol-lowering

medication No

7/12/19 | **#** Health **Blood Glucose** 67 mg/dL

> 8/27/15 | **#** Health History of smoking

10/31/22 | Attested

HDL cholesterol

63 mg/dL

Yes

#### **RISK ENHANCING FACTORS**

10/31/22 | Attested

Family history of premature heart disease

No

10/31/22 | Attested

South Asian Ancestry

Yes

Studies have found individuals of South Asian ancestry to be at higher risk of developing a cardiovascular event (like heart attack or stroke).

10/31/22 | **#** Health

Metabolic risk factors

Elevated tryglycerides (150 mg/dL or greater)

High blood pressure

## **■ Supporting Guideline Recommendations**

Discuss with your doctor

Controlling Cholesterol



According to the ACC/AHA guidelines,

People similar to you, with , lab results and medical history have benefitted from a medication that lowers the buildup of cholesterol in the blood vessels and prevents heart attack, stroke or other cardiovascular event.

Please consider discussing this recommendation with your doctor.

Currently, you are not taking a cholesterol-lowering medication

Who Benefits with a Statin

According to the ACC/AHA guidelines,

You fall into **1** of the following 4 groups of patients who may benefit from a cholesterol-lowering medication (such as a statin).

#### **GROUP 1**

Age 40-75 with a diagnosis of diabetes mellitus

#### GROUP 2

Age 40-75 and history of LDLcholesterol level of 190 mg/dL or more

#### YOU FIT IN THIS GROUP

#### **GROUP 3**

Age 40-75, history of LDL-cholesterol level of 70 mg/dL or more and ten-year risk score of 7.5% or more

#### **GROUP 4**

Age 40-75, history of LDL-cholesterol level of 70 mg/dL or more and ten-year risk score between 5–7.5% with multiple risk-enhancing factors

## **Understanding Cholesterol**

Elevated cholesterol (a fat-like substance that comes from animal foods or is made in your body) can clog arteries that reduce blood flow to the organs and may lead to heart attack, stroke or other cardiovascular event.

#### HDL = Good

High density lipoprotein is known as good cholesterol

#### LDL = Bad

Low density lipoprotein is known as bad cholesterol

#### **Triglyceride**

is the most common type of fat in the body

#### **Total Cholesterol**

is equal to your HDL + LDL + 1/5th Triglyceride level

#### Managing cholesterol

The following lifestyle measures can help manage blood cholesterol



## **Eating healthy**

A diet high in saturated fat (red meat, poultry, butter, cheese) can raise LDL cholesterol. Balancing your diet with lean meat, skinless poultry, whole grain, fruits and vegetables can help lower risk of heart attack, stroke or other cardiovascular event.



## Being physically active

Sedentary lifestyle is a risk factor for developing heart disease. A good starting point is atleast 150 mins of physical activity a week.

 $\Box$ 





#### **Track Levels**

Keeping track of your cholesterol levels over time will help you and your doctor better assess your health and progress.



## Avoid exposure to tobacco or smoking products

Smoking raises blood pressure and lowers HDL (good cholesterol) which raises the risk of clot formation and heart attack, stroke or other cardiovascular event.

## **■ Discuss with your doctor**

Please discuss with your doctor about these *guideline based recommendations* for managing blood cholesterol. Your doctor will review with you the benefits and risks of taking a medication for lowering cholesterol in preventing development of a heart disease. There may be additional risk factors or considerations that may require further examination.

Risk estimates and recommendations are based on the ACC/AHA clinical practise guidelines for the management of blood cholesterol to prevent atherosclerotic cardiovascular disease.

The recommendations provided by this application is intended for educational and research purposes and do not replace clinical judgement. Consult your doctor for specific therapies.