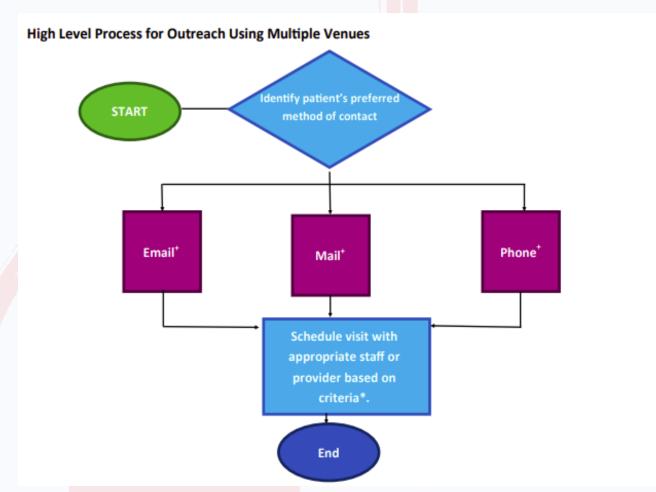


Effective Outreach

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Outreach through text messaging, a patient portal, phone calls, or letters is an effective method for encouraging patients with elevated blood pressure and/or using nicotine products with no scheduled follow-up appointment to schedule a follow-up visit. Described below is one approach to setting up an outreach process using multiple modalities at your clinic. Please review and modify this process flow to best fit your clinic.

<u>Potential method for measuring Effective Outreach</u>: Percent of adults with hypertension and/or smokers who schedule an appointment within one month of the outreach attempt.



*If last blood pressure was elevated in the last year and no follow up scheduled in the next 30 days OR smoker with no referral to cessation resources in the last 3 months

Outreach process map above from the Medicaid Technical Assistance and Policy Program (MEDTAPP) Diabetes Quality Improvement Project (QIP) Toolkit. Full toolkit available at https://www.cardi-oh.org/qip/diabetes/toolkit