**Primary analysis** 

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## **SUPPLEMENT MATERIAL S3**

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		Inpatient stay with	Inpatient stay with ARD	Inpatient stay with ARDS	Died same or following
	Inpatient stay	ICU/CCU	dx	dx	month
Key coefficient estimates					
Season					
2017-2018 flu season	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.
2018-2019 flu season	-0.001	0.008	0.013***	-0.007***	0.000
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2019-2020 flu season	0.018***	0.035***	0.013***	0.013***	0.016***
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HTN medication group					
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Other medications only	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.
ACEi or ARB plus/minus other medications	-0.019***	-0.009	-0.007**	-0.003	-0.009***
	(-0.022,-0.016)	(-0.019,0.001)	(-0.011,-0.002)	(-0.007,0.000)	(-0.011,-0.008)
ACEi or ARB monotherapy	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Season/medication interactions					
2018-2019 season: ACEi or ARB +- other	0.004*	0.01	0.004	0	0
	(0.001,0.008)	(-0.004,0.023)	(-0.003,0.010)	(-0.004,0.004)	(-0.002,0.002)
2018-2019 season: ACEi or ARB monotherapy	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2019-2020 season: ACEi or ARB +/- other	0.015***	0.015*	0.007*	0.009***	-0.002
•	(0.012, 0.019)	(0.003, 0.027)	(0.001,0.012)	(0.004, 0.013)	(-0.004, 0.001)
2019-2020 season: ACEi or ARB monotherapy	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Note: p-value for coefficients is for the null hypothe	·	,	,,.	,	,
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Marginal effects/predicted probability					
Other hypertension medications only					
2017/18	0.179	0.482	0.053	0.030	0.064
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2019/10	(0.177,0.181)	(0.474,0.489)	(0.050,0.056)	(0.028,0.033)	(0.062,0.065)
2018/19	0.178	0.490	0.066	0.023	0.064
0010/00	(0.176,0.180)	(0.483,0.496)	(0.062,0.069)	(0.021,0.025)	(0.063,0.065)
2019/20	0.196	0.516	0.066	0.043	0.080
	(0.195,0.198)	(0.511,0.521)	(0.063,0.068)	(0.041,0.045)	(0.078,0.081)

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	Primary analysis				
-	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
		Inpatient stay with	Inpatient stay with ARD	Inpatient stay with ARDS	Died same or following
	Inpatient stay	ICU/CCU	dx	dx	month
ACEi or ARB plus/minus other medications					
2017/18	0.125	0.463	0.045	0.029	0.035
	(0.124, 0.127)	(0.456, 0.470)	(0.042, 0.048)	(0.027, 0.031)	(0.034,0.035)
2018/19	0.128	0.481	0.061	0.021	0.034
	(0.127, 0.130)	(0.475, 0.487)	(0.058, 0.064)	(0.020,0.023)	(0.034,0.035)
2019/20	0.158	0.512	0.064	0.050	0.049
	(0.157,0.160)	(0.508,0.517)	(0.062,0.066)	(0.048,0.052)	(0.048,0.049)
ACEi or ARB monotherapy					
2017/18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2018/19	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2019/20	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Risk ratios of marginal effects					
Other hypertension medications only					
2018/19 season vs. 2017/18	0.994	1.017	1.236***	0.759***	0.999
	(0.977,1.011)	(0.996, 1.038)	(1.136,1.337)	(0.668, 0.850)	(0.969,1.030)
2019/20 season vs. 2017/18	1.099***	1.072***	1.238***	1.414***	1.244***
	(1.081,1.116)	(1.053,1.092)	(1.147,1.330)	(1.278,1.550)	(1.210,1.278)
ACEi or ARB plus/minus other medications					
2018/19 season vs. 2017/18	1.025**	1.039***	1.360***	0.739***	0.993
	(1.009,1.042)	(1.019, 1.058)	(1.251,1.469)	(0.656,0.822)	(0.961,1.025)
2019/20 season vs. 2017/18	1.264***	1.107***	1.437***	1.731***	1.404***
	(1.245,1.282)	(1.088, 1.126)	(1.332,1.542)	(1.580,1.882)	(1.363,1.444)
ACEi or ARB monotherapy					
2018/19 season vs. 2017/18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2019/20 season vs. 2017/18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Number of episodes	1,059,474	167,330	167,330	167,330	1,057,707
Number of people	728,455	147,846	147,846	147,846	727,311
Note: p-value for risk ratios is for the null hypothe	esis that the risk ratio = 1				

N/A: variable not included in model \* p<0.05, \*\* p<0.01, \*\*\* p<0.001

Sensitivity analysis: ACEi/ARB monotherapy						
	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	

	Inpatient stay	Inpatient stay with ICU/CCU	Inpatient stay with ARD dx	Inpatient stay with ARDS dx	Died same or following month
Key coefficient estimates					
Season					
2017-2018 flu season	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.
2018-2019 flu season	-0.001	0.008	0.013***	-0.007***	0
	(-0.004,0.002)	(-0.002,0.018)	(0.008,0.017)	(-0.010,-0.004)	(-0.002,0.002)
2019-2020 flu season	0.018***	0.035***	0.013***	0.013***	0.016***
	(0.015,0.021)	(0.026,0.044)	(0.008,0.017)	(0.009,0.016)	(0.014,0.017)
HTN medication group					
Other medications only	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.
ACEi or ARB plus/minus other medications	-0.020***	-0.004	-0.007**	-0.002	-0.010***
	(-0.023,-0.017)	(-0.014,0.006)	(-0.011,-0.002)	(-0.006,0.001)	(-0.012,-0.009)
ACEi or ARB monotherapy	-0.016***	-0.039***	-0.007	-0.009**	-0.004***
Season/medication interactions	(-0.020,-0.012)	(-0.057,-0.020)	(-0.015,0.001)	(-0.015,-0.003)	(-0.006,-0.002)
2018-2019 season: ACEi or ARB +- other	0.004*	0.004	0.004	-0.001	-0.001
	(0.000,0.008)	(-0.009,0.018)	(-0.003,0.010)	(-0.005,0.004)	(-0.003,0.002)
2018-2019 season: ACEi or ARB monotherapy	0.005	0.040**	0.002	0.002	0.001
	(-0.001,0.010)	(0.015,0.065)	(-0.009,0.013)	(-0.006,0.009)	(-0.002,0.004)
2019-2020 season: ACEi or ARB +/- other	0.015***	0.011	0.007*	0.008***	-0.001
	(0.011,0.019)	(-0.001,0.024)	(0.002,0.013)	(0.003,0.013)	(-0.004,0.001)
2019-2020 season: ACEi or ARB monotherapy	0.017***	0.035**	0.004	0.012**	-0.003*
Note: p-value for coefficients is for the null hypotl	(0.012,0.022)	(0.013,0.057)	(-0.006,0.013)	(0.004,0.020)	(-0.006,-0.000)
Marginal effects/predicted probability					
Other hypertension medications only					
2017/18	0.179	0.481	0.053	0.030	0.064
	(0.177,0.181)	(0.474,0.489)	(0.050,0.056)	(0.028,0.033)	(0.062,0.065)
2018/19	0.178	0.490	0.066	0.023	0.064
	(0.176,0.180)	(0.483,0.496)	(0.062,0.069)	(0.021,0.025)	(0.063,0.065)
2019/20	0.196	0.516	0.066	0.043	0.079
	(0.195,0.198)	(0.511,0.521)	(0.063,0.068)	(0.041,0.045)	(0.078,0.081)

Sensitivity analysis: ACEi/ARB monotherapy						
	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	

	Inpatient stay	Inpatient stay with ICU/CCU	Inpatient stay with ARD dx	Inpatient stay with ARDS dx	Died same or following month
ACEi or ARB plus/minus other medications					
2017/18	0.133	0.473	0.046	0.030	0.037
	(0.132,0.135)	(0.466,0.480)	(0.043,0.049)	(0.027,0.032)	(0.036,0.038)
2018/19	0.136	0.486	0.062	0.022	0.037
	(0.135,0.138)	(0.479,0.492)	(0.059,0.065)	(0.020,0.024)	(0.036,0.038)
2019/20	0.166	0.519	0.066	0.050	0.052
	(0.164,0.167)	(0.514,0.524)	(0.063,0.068)	(0.048,0.052)	(0.051,0.053)
ACEi or ARB monotherapy					
2017/18	0.093	0.408	0.040	0.024	0.024
	(0.090,0.096)	(0.392,0.425)	(0.033,0.047)	(0.019,0.029)	(0.022,0.025)
2018/19	0.096	0.456	0.054	0.018	0.025
	(0.094,0.099)	(0.441,0.472)	(0.047,0.061)	(0.014,0.022)	(0.023,0.026)
2019/20	0.127	0.478	0.056	0.048	0.036
	(0.125, 0.130)	(0.467,0.489)	(0.051,0.061)	(0.043,0.053)	(0.034,0.037)
Risk ratios of marginal effects					
Other hypertension medications only					
2018/19 season vs. 2017/18	0.994	1.017	1.236***	0.759***	0.999
	(0.977,1.011)	(0.996,1.038)	(1.136,1.337)	(0.668, 0.850)	(0.969,1.030)
2019/20 season vs. 2017/18	1.098***	1.072***	1.238***	1.414***	1.243***
	(1.081,1.116)	(1.053,1.092)	(1.147,1.330)	(1.278,1.550)	(1.209,1.278)
ACEi or ARB plus/minus other medications					
2018/19 season vs. 2017/18	1.023*	1.027*	1.360***	0.735***	0.985
	(1.005,1.041)	(1.006, 1.048)	(1.243,1.476)	(0.647,0.824)	(0.950,1.019)
2019/20 season vs. 2017/18	1.244***	1.097***	1.441***	1.690***	1.382***
	(1.225,1.264)	(1.077,1.118)	(1.329,1.554)	(1.532,1.848)	(1.339,1.425)
ACEi or ARB monotherapy					
2018/19 season vs. 2017/18	1.037	1.117***	1.358*	0.766	1.047
	(0.993,1.080)	(1.058,1.177)	(1.055,1.660)	(0.526,1.006)	(0.958,1.136)
2019/20 season vs. 2017/18	1.369***	1.170***	1.412**	2.028***	1.526***
	(1.318,1.420)	(1.115,1.226)	(1.129,1.694)	(1.537,2.519)	(1.412,1.640)
Number of episodes	1,059,474	167,330	167,330	167,330	1,057,707
Number of people	728,455	147,846	147,846	147,846	727,311
Note: p-value for risk ratios is for the null hypoth $\varepsilon$					

N/A: variable not included in model \* p<0.05, \*\* p<0.01, \*\*\* p<0.001

Sensitivity analysis: Dropping people with comorbidities (other than hypertension)						
(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)		

	Inpatient stay	Inpatient stay with ICU/CCU	Inpatient stay with ARD dx	Inpatient stay with ARDS dx	Died same or following month
Key coefficient estimates Season					
2017-2018 flu season	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.
2018-2019 flu season	0.002 (-0.001,0.006)	0.02 (-0.032,0.072)	0.030** (0.009,0.051)	0.006 (-0.005,0.017)	0 (-0.002,0.002)
2019-2020 flu season	0.032*** (0.028,0.035)	0.068** (0.024,0.111)	0.029*** (0.014,0.045)	0.052*** (0.039,0.065)	0.007*** (0.005,0.009)
HTN medication group	(0.000,0.000)	(====,,====,	(0.02.7,0.0.7)	(0.000,0.000,	(2.2.2.)
Other medications only	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.
ACEi or ARB plus/minus other medications	-0.006*** (-0.009,-0.003)	-0.001 (-0.049,0.046)	0.009 (-0.008,0.026)	0.003 (-0.007,0.013)	-0.003*** (-0.004,-0.001)
ACEi or ARB monotherapy	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Season/medication interactions					
2018-2019 season: ACEi or ARB + other	-0.003 (-0.007,0.001)	0.004 (-0.062,0.071)	-0.013 (-0.041,0.014)	0.001 (-0.015,0.017)	0.001 (-0.001,0.003)
2018-2019 season: ACEi or ARB monotherapy	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2019-2020 season: ACEi or ARB +/- other	-0.001 (-0.006,0.003)	0.05 (-0.006,0.106)	-0.022* (-0.043,-0.001)	-0.001 (-0.019,0.016)	-0.001 (-0.003,0.001)
2019-2020 season: ACEi or ARB monotherapy Note: p-value for coefficients is for the null hypotl	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Marginal effects/predicted probability Other hypertension medications only					
2017/18	0.031	0.312	0.023	0.009	0.007
2018/19	(0.029,0.034) 0.033 (0.031,0.036)	(0.275,0.350) 0.332 (0.296,0.368)	(0.011,0.035) 0.053 (0.036,0.070)	(0.002,0.016) 0.015 (0.006,0.024)	(0.006,0.009) 0.007 (0.006,0.008)
2019/20	0.063 (0.060,0.066)	0.380 (0.357,0.403)	0.053 (0.042,0.063)	0.061 (0.050,0.073)	0.014 (0.013,0.016)

Sensitivity	analysis: Dropping p	eople with comorbidi	ties (other than hyp	ertension)
(11)	(12)	(13)	(14)	(15)

	Inpatient stay	Inpatient stay with ICU/CCU	Inpatient stay with ARD	Inpatient stay with ARDS dx	Died same or following month
ACEi or ARB plus/minus other medications	inputient stay	100/000	ux	ux	month
2017/18	0.023	0.319	0.033	0.016	0.004
	(0.022, 0.025)	(0.289, 0.349)	(0.021,0.044)	(0.008, 0.023)	(0.003,0.004)
2018/19	0.022	0.343	0.049	0.023	0.004
	(0.021,0.024)	(0.313, 0.373)	(0.036, 0.063)	(0.014,0.032)	(0.004,0.005)
2019/20	0.054	0.436	0.040	0.067	0.010
	(0.052,0.055)	(0.418,0.454)	(0.033,0.048)	(0.058,0.076)	(0.009,0.011)
ACEi or ARB monotherapy					
2017/18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2018/19	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2019/20	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Risk ratios of marginal effects Other hypertension medications only					
2018/19 season vs. 2017/18	1.069	1.064	2.291	1.633	0.973
	(0.953,1.186)	(0.893,1.235)	(0.893,3.688)	(0.078,3.189)	(0.744,1.203)
2019/20 season vs. 2017/18	2.008***	1.216**	2.270*	6.718*	1.942***
	(1.823,2.193)	(1.053,1.379)	(1.013,3.526)	(1.473,11.963)	(1.561,2.323)
ACEi or ARB plus/minus other medications					
2018/19 season vs. 2017/18	0.961	1.076	1.510	1.432	1.128
	(0.875,1.047)	(0.939,1.213)	(0.842,2.177)	(0.544,2.320)	(0.879,1.377)
2019/20 season vs. 2017/18	2.291***	1.369***	1.234	4.210**	2.624***
405' 400 11	(2.124,2.458)	(1.228,1.509)	(0.754,1.713)	(2.113,6.308)	(2.142,3.107)
ACEi or ARB monotherapy	NI/A	N1/A	NI/A	NI/A	N1/A
2018/19 season vs. 2017/18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2019/20 season vs. 2017/18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Number of episodes	200,778	7,696	7,696	7,696	200,508
Number of people	175,494	7,647	7,647	7,647	175,251
Note: p-value for risk ratios is for the null hypothe					

N/A: variable not included in model \* p<0.05, \*\* p<0.01, \*\*\* p<0.001

Sensitivity analysis: limiting analysis to strict flu season (dropping summer months)						
(16)	(17)	(18)	(19)	(20)		

	Inpatient stay	Inpatient stay with ICU/CCU	Inpatient stay with ARD dx	Inpatient stay with ARDS dx	Died same or following month
Key coefficient estimates Season					
2017-2018 flu season	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.
2018-2019 flu season	0 (-0.004,0.003)	0.009 (-0.002,0.019)	0.017*** (0.012,0.022)	-0.007*** (-0.010,-0.003)	0 (-0.002,0.002)
2019-2020 flu season	0.003* (0.000,0.007)	0.030*** (0.020,0.041)	0.017*** (0.011,0.022)	0.010*** (0.006,0.014)	0.017*** (0.015,0.020)
HTN medication group					
Other medications only	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.	ref.
ACEi or ARB plus/minus other medications	-0.016*** (-0.019,-0.013)	-0.01 (-0.021,0.000)	-0.007** (-0.011,-0.002)	-0.003 (-0.006,0.001)	-0.009*** (-0.010,-0.007)
ACEi or ARB monotherapy	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Season/medication interactions					
2018-2019 season: ACEi or ARB +- other	0.002 (-0.002,0.006)	0.01 (-0.004,0.025)	0.001 (-0.006,0.008)	0 (-0.005,0.004)	0 (-0.003,0.002)
2018-2019 season: ACEi or ARB monotherapy	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2019-2020 season: ACEi or ARB +/- other	0.008*** (0.004,0.012)	0.012 (-0.003,0.026)	0.008* (0.001,0.014)	0.008** (0.002,0.013)	-0.005*** (-0.008,-0.002)
2019-2020 season: ACEi or ARB monotherapy Note: p-value for coefficients is for the null hypotl	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Marginal effects/predicted probability Other hypertension medications only					
2017/18	0.175	0.480	0.053	0.030	0.061
2018/19	(0.173,0.178) 0.175	(0.472,0.487) 0.488	(0.049,0.056) 0.070	(0.028,0.033) 0.024	(0.060,0.063) 0.061
2019/20	(0.172,0.177) 0.179 (0.176,0.181)	(0.480,0.496) 0.510 (0.503,0.517)	(0.066,0.074) 0.069 (0.066,0.073)	(0.021,0.026) 0.041 (0.038,0.044)	(0.060,0.063) 0.079 (0.077,0.080)

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\* p<0.05, \*\* p<0.01, \*\*\* p<0.001

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		Inpatient stay with	Inpatient stay with ARD	Inpatient stay with ARDS	Died same or following
ACEi or ARB plus/minus other medications	Inpatient stay	ICU/CCU	dx	dx	month
2017/18	0.122	0.459	0.044	0.028	0.033
2017/18	(0.120,0.123)	(0.452,0.466)	(0.041,0.047)	(0.026,0.031)	(0.032,0.033)
2018/19	0.124	0.478	0.063	0.021	0.032,0.0337
	(0.122,0.125)	(0.470,0.485)	(0.059,0.066)	(0.019,0.023)	(0.032,0.033)
2019/20	0.133	0.501	0.069	0.046	0.045
2013/20	(0.131,0.134)	(0.494,0.508)	(0.065,0.072)	(0.044,0.049)	(0.044,0.046)
ACEi or ARB monotherapy					
2017/18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2018/19	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2019/20	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Risk ratios of marginal effects Other hypertension medications only					
2018/19 season vs. 2017/18	0.998	1.018	1.324***	0.776***	1.002
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	(0.979,1.017)	(0.995,1.041)	(1.208, 1.440)	(0.673,0.879)	(0.967,1.036)
2019/20 season vs. 2017/18	1.019	1.064***	1.313***	1.343***	1.282***
	(1.000,1.039)	(1.041,1.087)	(1.201,1.425)	(1.190,1.495)	(1.241,1.324)
ACEi or ARB plus/minus other medications					
2018/19 season vs. 2017/18	1.017	1.041***	1.411***	0.750***	0.997
	(0.999,1.035)	(1.019,1.063)	(1.289,1.533)	(0.655,0.846)	(0.960,1.034)
2019/20 season vs. 2017/18	1.091***	1.092***	1.542***	1.634***	1.380***
	(1.071,1.110)	(1.069,1.114)	(1.413,1.671)	(1.465,1.803)	(1.331,1.428)
ACEi or ARB monotherapy	A1 / A	A1 / A	A1 / A	A1 /A	21/2
2018/19 season vs. 2017/18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
2019/20 season vs. 2017/18	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Number of episodes	738,240	106,917	106,917	106,917	737,059
Number of people	556,579	97,383	97,383	97,383	555,729
Note: p-value for risk ratios is for the null hypothe					
N/A: variable not included in model					