7 SIMPLE TIPS
TO GET AN
ACCURATE BLOOD
PRESSURE READING

The common positioning errors can result in inaccurate blood pressure measurement. Figures shown
are estimates of how improper positioning can potentially impact blood pressure readings.

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