Blood Pressure Procedure

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT: sit and reach box, clipboard, pen, Fitness Testing Recording Form

PROCEDURE:

- 1. Describe the testing protocol to the client
 - a. You are going to sit on the floor with your legs straight and feet flat on the box
 - b. You are going to lean forward and run your hands over the ruler to measure your flexibility
 - c. We will repeat this 3 times and take the average.
- 2. Get the client to sit on the floor with legs straight out
- 3. Ensure the client has removed their shoes
- 4. The client is to place the soles of their feet against the box.
- 5. With the palms facing downwards, and the hands on top of each other or side by side, the client reaches forward along the measuring line as far as possible.
- 6. Ensure that the client's hands remain at the same level, not one reaching further forward than the other.
- 7. The client holds the position for 1-2 seconds
- 8. Record the results
- 9. Repeat three times and take the best score
- 10. Ensure that the client only uses slow, smooth movements.

FORMULAS AND CALCULATION:

Nil

NORMATIVE / COMPARATIVE DATA:

	Males (cm)	Females (cm)
Super	> +27	> +30
Excellent	+17 to +27	+21 to +30
Good	+6 to +16	+11 to +20
Average	0 to +5	+1 to +10
Fair	-8 to -1	-7 to 0
Poor	-20 to -9	-15 to -8
Very poor	< -20	< -15

Source: Wells, K.F. & Dillon, E.K. (1952). *The sit and reach. A test of back and leg flexibility*. **Research Quarterly**, 23. 115-118.