PEDIATRIC TRACK

REMOTE MONITORING: RULES OF ENGAGEMENT



Children's Diabetes For

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NEW TECH, NEW BENEFITS



Dexcom Follow App for Friends & Family

The Dexcom G6 CGM System comes with a built-in Dexcom Share feature so you can let up to 10 people follow your glucose levels, giving you a circle of support. By downloading the Dexcom Follow app, Followers can view your glucose data directly from their smart device, whether they live down the street or across the country.*



GET STARTED WITH DEXCOM G6



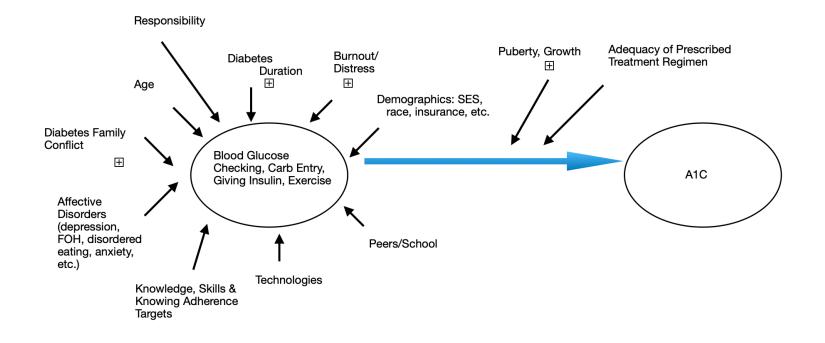


BUT ALSO NEW CHALLENGES!



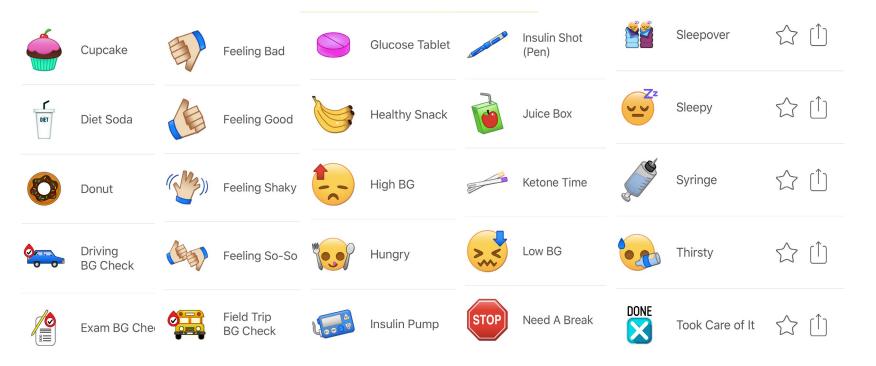


FOCUS ON BEHAVIORS, NOT A1C!



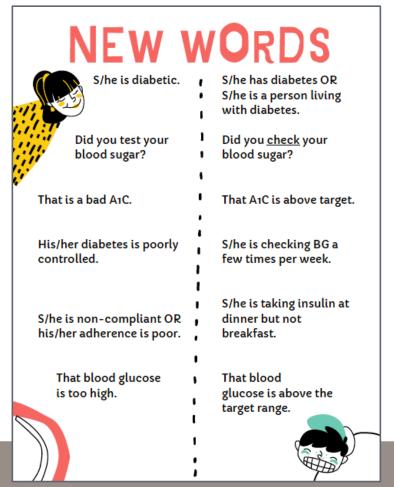


TAKE THE EMOTION OUT OF DIABETES





PAY ATTENTION TO YOUR LANGUAGE



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SUPPORTIVE LANGUAGE

Use the space below to try writing more supportive ways to share your message.

Your glucose level after basketball practice was 415 mg/dL! What did you eat?

It looks like your glucose level was 415 after practice today. How can I help? Let's figure this out together.

You forgot to check your glucose level at school again. I am tired of this. How do you expect me to help you when you cannot even take care of yourself?



T1Ds is tough, and I know that you are busy at school. What makes it easier to check your glucose level at school some days and harder other times?

I found three empty bags of chips in your room today. Why are you sneaking food? Don't you care about your health.

"I noticed you've been snacking on chips recently. That's fine sometimes, and let's think about some other healthy snacks that we can have in the house, too. Let's come up with a list together."















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COMMUNICATION RULES



- DO
 - Keep your message short (no lecturing).
 - · Pay attention by sitting still, facing the speaker, and maintaining eye contact.
 - Stay focused on the topic.
 - · State accurately what the other person said before responding to make sure you understand.
 - Elaborate when needed give more information about what you think.
 - Stay calm and cool even if you disagree with what someone is saying. Take a couple of deep breaths if you start to become upset.
 - Try to be positive and make constructive suggestions concerning how you would like the other person to be.
 - Add your own:

DON'T

- Do not interrupt Let each person finish speaking.
- Avoid criticism, name-calling, and labeling.
- · Avoid unhelpful nonverbal behaviors (eye rolling, sighing, etc.).
- Add your own:

** This takes practice. You are going to make mistakes and that is OK. It's better to make mistakes here where we can help. **



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Define the Problem

- 1. Choose 1 problem to work on at a time.
- 2. Only discuss this problem. Do not bring up past or other issues.
- 3. Use "I" statements and avoid accusations.
- 4. Keep all the good communication strategies at forefront during this process.



START SMALL: Set yourself up to succeed! Start small and work up from there.

KEEP IT SIMPLE: Stick with a clear plan. Avoid complicated goals.

BE SPECIFIC: Say exactly what will be done. Avoid vague goals.



START SMALL: Set your child up to succeed, not to fail. START SMALL and work your way up from there.

TOO BIG "My child will check blood sugar 10 times per day every day no matter what"

SIMPLE: Try to avoid complicated goals, be as SIMPLE as possible.

COMPLICATED "My child will plan each meal and count carbohydrates exactly"

SPECIFIC: Try to avoid vague goals, be as SPECIFIC as possible.

VAGUE "Our family is going to start taking care of diabetes as a team and it will be something we take on together"

START SMALL: Set your child up to succeed, not to fail. START SMALL and work your way up from there.

TOO BIG	SMALLER
"My child will check blood	"My child will check their
sugar 10 times per day	blood sugar before
every day no matter what"	exercise and meals"

SIMPLE: Try to avoid complicated goals, be as SIMPLE as possible.

COMPLICATED	LESS COMPLICATED
"My child will plan each	"My child and I will plan
meal and count	ahead for all breakfasts
carbohydrates exactly"	and lunches and know the
	carbohydrate counts in
	advance"

SPECIFIC: Try to avoid vague goals, be as SPECIFIC as possible.

1	VAGUE	LESS VAGUE	
4	Our family is going to start	"We will work together to	
t	aking care of diabetes as	make sure insulin is given	
6	a team and it will be	for each meal. Mom or	
5	something we take on	Dad can give some	
t	ogether"	shots/boluses to make	
		things easier"	



START SMALL: Set your child up to succeed, not to fail. START SMALL and work your way up from there.

TOO BIG	SMALLER	SMALL
"My child will check blood		"My child will check
sugar 10 times per day		blood sugar one more
every day no matter what"	exercise and meals"	time each day working
		up to 4 times per day"

SIMPLE: Try to avoid complicated goals, be as SIMPLE as possible.

COMPLICATED	LESS COMPLICATED	SIMPLE
"My child will plan each		"We will start with carb
meal and count	ahead for all breakfasts	counting breakfast foods
carbohydrates exactly"	and lunches and know the	accurately"
	carbohydrate counts in	
	advance"	

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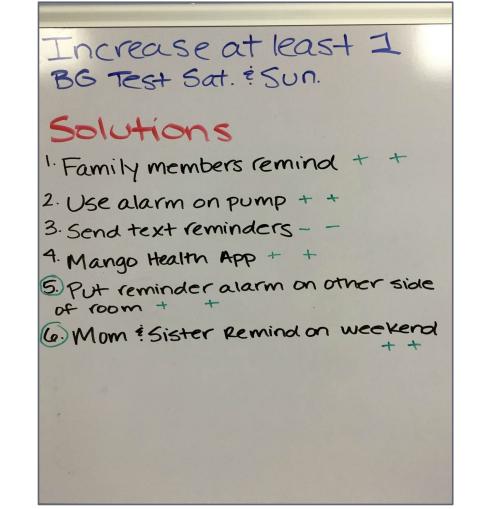
VAGUE	LESS VAGUE	SPECIFIC
"Our family is going to start		"Child will go to nurse at
taking care of diabetes as	make sure insulin is given	school for lunch insulin.
a team and it will be	for each meal. Mom or	Mom/Dad can give
something we take on	Dad can give some	breakfast and dinner
together"	shots/boluses to make	insulin dose."
	things easier"	



Make a list of possible solutions.

Refrain from commenting or making judgmental statements about solutions like what will or will not work.

Each family member then votes on possible solutions.





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Make a plan for implementing solution.

How long will you try it for?

Who is in charge of each step?

Think of reward to help keep youth motivated. Diabetes is hard and sometimes we need a motivator to keep at it every day!

After trial period,

Check-in and evaluate how it is going.

If necessary, repeat these steps until problem is solved.

