Provider Assessment of Patient Skill Set



This form is suggested to help assess the teen/emerging young adult's knowledge and skills regarding diabetes and its management. The tool is intended as an aide to help assess the readiness of older teens/emerging young adults in the transition and to be transferred from pediatric to adult diabetes care providers. Note that some questions may not apply to patients with type 2 diabetes or other forms of diabetes.

At the end of this document, please write your name along with discipline and initials, then provide the date along with your initials when each item is assessed.

Basic knowledge of your diabetes:		
☐ Type 1 ☐ Type 2 ☐ Other Forms		
	DATE	INITIALS
☐ Describe what insulin does		
\square If you take oral medications, describe how they keep blood glucose in range		_
\square Describe what happens if you don't take your medications		_
\square Describe the meaning of HbA1c		
\square Describe the link between HbA1c level and the risk of diabetes complications		
 Describe how nutrition/diet affects blood glucose and cardiovascular (heart and blood vessel) health 		_
☐ Describe the effect of exercise on blood glucose (right after exercising and overnight)		
\square Describe how to drive safely		
$\hfill\Box$ Describe how to drink alcohol responsibly and reduce risk of low blood glucose levels		
☐ Describe importance of excellent blood glucose control before & during pregnancy to support the development of a healthy baby		
\square Describe risk for other autoimmune diseases and symptoms to look for (for type 1 patients)		_
\square Describe the need for and recommended frequency of routine check-ups		
$\hfill\Box$ Describe the need for annual lab work to assess kidney, eye, and cardiovascular health		_
☐ Describe the need for routine dental care exams		

Experience in the following skills:	DATE	INITIALS
☐ Accurately measure and give yourself insulin injections (even if you're on insulin pump therapy)		
$\hfill\Box$ Calculate correct dose of insulin according to both blood glucose level and carbohydrate intake		
☐ Monitor blood glucose		
$\hfill\square$ Monitor ketone levels (urine or blood) during illness, stressful times or when blood glucose levels are persistently elevated		
\square Log or download blood glucose readings		
\square Be able to state target blood glucose levels/range and goal HbA1c level		
$\hfill \square$ Show how to program date/time into blood glucose meter and any other devices you may use		
\square Be able to count/estimate carbohydrates		
$\hfill\Box$ For those on fixed dosing, state number of carbohydrates to eat at each meal/snack		
\square Describe the reasons for changing/rotating injection/infusion sites		
\square Wear a medical alert identification		
For those on insulin pump therapy/continuous glucose meter	•	
\square Demonstrate how to insert infusion set		
$\hfill\Box$ Demonstrate how to check diabetes supplies and when it's time to order new supplies		
$\hfill\Box$ Demonstrate how to access insulin pump basal and bolus settings and how to alter them		
\square Demonstrate how to download pump/glucose monitor information		
$\hfill\Box$ Demonstrate how to share pump/glucose monitor information with the diabetes care provide		
□ Demonstrate how to program the pump (date, time, correction dose, carb dose, insulin on board, types of boluses, basal rates and temporary basal rates)		
$\hfill\Box$ Demonstrate when to use insulin injections and monitor for ketones to prevent diabetic ketoacidosis (DKA)		
Show ability to arrange for medical care:		
☐ Be able to make appointment		
\square Identify what insurance you have now		
\square Identify what insurance you will have when you are over 18 years of age		
\square Be able to keep track of insurance claims and co-pays		
$\hfill\Box$ Be able to maintain prescriptions and obtain medications/supplies before you run out		
\square Identify the name and phone number of pediatric endocrinologist		
\square Identify the name, phone number, and office location of adult endocrinologist		
\square Confirm contact information for urgent issues after office hours, weekends, holidays		

Describe what to do in emergency situations or v	when ill:	DATE	INITIALS
$\hfill\Box$ Create a list with names and numbers of people who should be	contacted		
\square Describe how to reach your doctor's office			
\square Describe when you should be calling your doctor's office			
$\hfill\Box$ State what information you will need to tell the diabetes care \hfill	provider		
\square Identify a nearby emergency room/hospital if ever needed			
$\hfill\Box$ Create an emergency plan for high blood glucose, low blood gland illness	ucose,		
$\hfill \square$ State how to manage high blood glucose levels (insulin, glucose, ketone monitoring, drinking sugar-free liquid	s/water)		
☐ State how to manage low blood glucose levels (carbohydrate intake, low dose glucagon)			
☐ State how to manage diabetes when sick (monitoring glucose, insulin adjustments)			
☐ Review the significance of vomiting and the need to check glue and ketone levels, give insulin, and call healthcare team.	cose		
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