## **Diabetes Technologies:** Integrating Guidance, Gadgets & Gizmos

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- I have no relevant relationships with ineligible companies to disclose within the past 24 months.
- Moonlight as pancreas 24/7/365 x 33 years

#### **Pre-Session Questions**

- 1. When educating patients about differences between blood glucose monitoring (BGM) & continuous glucose monitoring (CGM), you will want to include all the following <u>except</u>:
  - A. CGMs will provide > 4000 glucose readings in a 2-week period
  - B. CGM systems give the most accurate readings of glucose
  - C. BGM systems give the most accurate readings of glucose
  - D. BGM readings are ~5-10 minutes ahead of CGM readings

#### **Pre-Session Questions**

# 2. CGMs have shown which of the following effects in clinical trials regarding hypoglycemia?

- A. CGMs had no effect on time spent in hypoglycemia
- B. CGMs increased time spent in hypoglycemia
- C. CGMs reduced minutes/day spent in hypoglycemia with use of first sensor
- D. CGMs reduced minutes/day spent in hypoglycemia after 3 months of use

#### **Pre-Session Questions**

- 3. In order to get Medicare coverage for Continuous Glucose Monitors (CGM), patients must meet all following requirements <u>except</u>:
  - A. Be on an insulin pump or receiving at least 3 doses of insulin per day
  - B. Be monitoring their blood glucose at least 4 times daily
  - C. Require frequent insulin dose adjustments based on CGM results
  - D. Be seen by a diabetes provider within 6 months of CGM Rx & followed at least every 6 months to continue coverage

At the end of the presentation, the participant will be able to:

- Review the classification & diagnosis of the most common forms of diabetes
- Compare & contrast the spectrum of available blood glucose data collection options
- Review consensus guidelines for most appropriate use of glucose monitoring technologies
- Analyze & interpret glycemic trends using ambulatory glucose profiles
- Explore case-based scenarios within the diabetes spectrum to apply most appropriate technologies

## **General Classification Categories for Diabetes**

#### **Type 1 diabetes**

• Autoimmune  $\beta$ -cell destruction, usually leads to insulin deficiency, including latent  $\sim 5^{9}$  autoimmune diabetes of adulthood (LADA)

#### **Type 2 diabetes**

Progressive loss of β-cell mass & insulin secretion frequently on background of 90-95% insulin resistance

#### Specific types of diabetes due to other causes

- Monogenic syndromes (neonatal & maturity-onset diabetes of young [MODY])
- Diseases of exocrine pancreas (cystic fibrosis & pancreatitis)
- Drug-induced diabetes (steroid-induced in patients with HIV s/p organ transplant)

#### **Gestational diabetes mellitus**

• Diagnosed in 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester & not clearly overt diabetes prior to gestation

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Classification and Diagnosis of Diabetes: Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes - 2022. Diabetes Care 2022;45(Suppl. 1):S17-S38

#### Distribution of Endocrinologists/Diabetologists & PCPs in US<sup>1</sup>



#### Total PCPs in the US<sup>2</sup>: PAs: ~20% NPs: ~30% MD/DOs: ~50%

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 <sup>1</sup>Oser SM, Oser TK. Diabetes Technologies: We Are All in This Together. Clin Diabetes. 2020 Apr;38(2):188-189. doi: 10.2337/cd19-0046. PMID: 32327892; PMCID: PMC7164996.
 <sup>2</sup>Petterson S, McNellis R, Klink K, Meyers D, Bazemore A. The State of Primary Care in the United States: A Chartbook of Facts and Statistics. January 2018.

#### The Good News

- 90% of all pre-diabetes & diabetes management occurs within the primary care setting
- Early intervention can reduce incidence & prevalence rates of complications associated with the disorder, reduce cost & improve long-term quality of life

### **Comprehensive Goals Of Diabetes Management**

- Set glycemic targets to reduce microvascular & macrovascular CVD events
  - A1C targets
  - Ambulatory Glucose Profile (AGP) targets
    - BGM Fasting & postprandial glycemia goals
    - CGM "Time in Range" & glucose variability goals
- Consider T2DM therapies in view of pathogenesis
  - Lifestyle Interventions
  - Pharmacologic interventions aimed at:
    - Minimizing hypoglycemia
    - Controlling glycemic variability to maximize "Time in Range"

#### Consider therapies for prevention or management of comorbidities

- CVD, HTN, CHF aspirin, anti-platelet, antihypertensive agents
- DKD RAAS agents
- Dyslipidemia statins, ezetimibe, fibrates, fenofibrates, Icosapent ethyl, PCSK9 inhibitors

SMBG = Self-Monitoring of Blood Glucose CGM = Continuous Glucose Monitoring RAAS = Renin-Angiotensin-Aldosterone System

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#### History of Type 1 Diabetes Care & Tech Integration



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#### New Standards of Care



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## Limitations of Hemoglobin A1c

- Unable to reflect acute glycemic excursions
- A1c may be inaccurate in a range of physiologic and pathologic conditions
- Does not provide time-specific blood glucose data

# Ambulatory Glucose Profile $\rightarrow$

7-14-30 day profile of BG trends



## History of Continuous Glucose Monitoring (CGM)

- 2004 Medtronic Guardian REAL-Time CGM system
  - Required BG confirmation
- 2006 Medtronic integrated pump & sensor / Dexcom REAL-time CGM
  - Required BG confirmation
- 2008 Abbott FreeStyle Navigator
  - Required BG confirmation
- 2017 Abbott FreeStyle Libre Pro Intermittently Scanned CGM
  - First CGM that required no fingerstick testing during wear
  - Swipe or "flash" to obtain a glucose reading
  - Able to wear 14 days but no alarms for low/high BG levels
- 2016 Hybrid Closed Loop: Guardian CGM & Medtronic Minimed pump
- 2018 Hybrid Closed Loop: Dexcom CGM & Tandem t:slim pump

### Why Use Technology?



Foster NC, Beck RW, Miller KM, et al. State of Type 1 Diabetes Management and Outcomes from Yale school of medicine the T1D Exchange in 2016-2018 [published correction appears in Diabetes Technol Ther. 2019 Physician Associate Program Apr;21(4):230]. Diabetes Technol Ther. 2019;21(2):66-72. doi:10.1089/dia.2018.0384

#### Glycemic Targets for Patients with Diabetes<sup>1,2,3</sup>

Reasonable HbA <sub>1c</sub> Goal, %	Recommended Blood Glucose % for TIR or TBR
<7.0	>70% of TIR 70-180 mg/dL <4% of TBR ≤69 mg/dL
7.0-7.5	Fasting preprandial goal: 80-130 mg/dL Peak postprandial: <180 mg/dL
<8.0	>50% of TIR 70-180 mg/dL <1% of TBR ≤69 mg/dL
	HbA <sub>1c</sub> Goal, % <7.0 7.0-7.5

**TBR**, time below range; **TIR**, time in range

<sup>1</sup>ADA.Glycemic Targets. *Diabetes Care.* 2022;45(Suppl.1):S83-S96.

<sup>2</sup>ADA.Older Adults. *Diabetes Care.* 2022;45(Suppl.1):S195-S207.

<sup>3</sup>Battelino T, Danne T, Bergenstal RM, et al. Clinical targets for continuous glucose monitoring data interpretation: recommendations from the International Consensus on Time in Range. Diabetes Care. 2019;42(8):1593-1603.

## Continuous Glucose Monitoring (CGM)



#### Benefits of CGM



Provides hundreds of sensor glucose measurements daily



Permits real-time biofeedback about BG patterns to patients



Empowers patients to become more engaged & proficient in self-management

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#### Types of CGMs

Type of CGM	Description		
rtCGM	Measures & stores BG levels continuously w/o prompting; patient-owned		
isCGM with & w/o alerts	Measures BG levels continuously but requires scanning for data storage; patient-owned		
Professional CGM	Placed by provider & worn for discrete time (7-14 days); patient may be blinded or visible to data while wearing; data used to assess patterns/trends; CGM clinic-owned		
CGM: continuous glucose monitor rtCGM: real-time CGM isCGM: intermittently scanned CGM			

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#### Professional CGM – Use for a Purpose

- Identifying and correcting glucose patterns
- Use when:
  - When either rtCGM or isCGM is not available
  - Patient prefers shorter experience
  - Evaluate periods of hypoglycemia to make medication dose adjustments





"Use of professional...CGM should always be coupled with analysis and interpretation for the patient, along with education...to adjust medication and change lifestyle behaviors."

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## Intermittently Scanned CGM (isCGM)

How to use:

- User "scans" sensor for information
- Should be scanned frequently, at a minimum once every 8 hrs
- Originally did not provide alarms or alerts, now has capability

RCTs mixed results (all compared to SMBG)<sup>1-4</sup>

Can be helpful for patterns of hyper- and hypoglycemia and improving A1C levels in people with diabetes on non-insulin and basal insulin regimens.





### Real-time CGM (rtCGM) – Biggest Bang for the Buck!

Manufacturer	Systems	Wear Time, days	Age Indications, years	Calibration Requirements	Related Data Apps	Reports and Computer Data Apps
Abbott	FreeStyle Libre	14	≥18 (U.S.) ≥4 (O.U.S.)	Not required	LibreLink and LibreLinkUp (for sharing	Libre View
$\bigcirc$	FreeStyle Libre 2	14	≥4	Not required	data with loved ones)	
Dexcom	G6	10	≥2	Not required	Dexcom Clarity and Dexcom (for sharing data with loved ones)	Clarity
Medtronic	Guardian Connect	7	≥14	Twice daily	CareLink and Guardian Connect (for sharing data with	Carelink
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- Wear on body for 7-10 days
- Realtime alerts & feedback
- Remote data sharing with care providers
- Data connectivity to cloud

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Miller EM. Using Continuous Glucose Monitoring in Clinical Practice. *Clin Diabetes*. 2020;38(5):429-438.

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## Real-time CGM (rtCGM)

#### Evidence

- Significant reductions in A1c from baseline
- Reductions in hypoglycemia
- T2DM: Reductions in A1c
  - For MDI, MDI + oral Rx & oral Rx alone



#### AMBULATORY GLOCOSE PROPILE (AGP)







#### To Optimize Use

- Robust diabetes education, training & support needed
- Should be used as close to daily as possible for maximal benefit
- Patients still need to know how to perform SMBG to correlate lows

#### **3** Common CGM systems



Abbott Freestyle Libre 2 System



**Dexcom G6** 



#### Medtronic Guardian 3 CGM System



#### New Medicare Coverage Make CGMs More Accessible

- July 18, 2021: Medicare permanently eliminated requirement of 4x/day fingerstick in order to qualify for CGM coverage
- If looking for a CGM for Medicare patients, there is now a simplified, <u>fingerstick-free approval process</u> for coverage.
- Out-of-pocket costs for CGM will depend on a few factors, like what Medicare benefit plans look like & where device is secured.
- Check for Diabetes DME distributers in your area or call **1-800-MEDICARE** to determine cost.

#### **BG Meter vs CGM Strategies**

#### **BG Meter**

- Measures blood glucose (BG)
- Finger prick 2-8x/day
- Drop of blood
- Measures BG in moment of time
- Must wake up for nighttime testing
- Time consuming
- Test kit required
  - Strips, lancets, meter
- Inconvenient & unpleasant to bring along & use in public

#### CGM

- Measures interstitial fluid (ISF) glucose
- Sensors continuously measure glucose
   Every 5 min = 288/day
- isCGM self-scans variable 2-10+/day
- Scanning takes 1 second & can be done anytime in public
- Scanned sensor holds data for 8 hours & Reader records for 90 days
- rtCGM receiver collects/trends data
- Glucose trends can be monitored by sensor day or night
- Most don't feel sensors

#### CGM Use Prevalence & Access Challenges<sup>1,2</sup>

- CGM use is estimated **15%** of people with T1DM in the US
- Access has progressed with new Medicare coverage rules
- Access challenges remain:
  - Access/Rising Costs
  - Patient education
  - Therapeutic inertia
  - Variation in provider practices

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### Blood Glucose Meter Use | Serum vs ISF glucose



- An estimated 70% of patients using diabetes medication purchased SMBG strips<sup>1</sup>
- BG measures serum glucose (SG) & CGMs read interstitial fluid (ISF) glucose
- Serum glucose gives most accurate readings & are 5-10 min ahead of ISF glucose
- When SG levels decrease, sensor readings in ISF may be higher than the serum glucose reading (& vice versa)

Yale SCHOOL OF MEDICINE Physician Associate Program <sup>1</sup>Kjome RL, Granas AG, Nerhus K, Roraas TH, Sandberg S. The prevalence of self-monitoring of blood glucose and costs of glucometer strips in a nationwide cohort. *Diabetes Technol Ther*. 2010;12(9):701-705.

#### BG Meter or CGM AGP Download Report

## **Ambulatory Glucose Profile (AGP)**

AGP Report	Name MRN	AMBULATORY GLUCOSE PROFILE (AGP) AGP is a summary of glucose values from the report period, with median (50%) and other percentiles shown as if occurring in a single day. 350
GLUCOSE STATISTICS AND TARGETS           26 Feb 2019 - 10 Mar 2019         13 days           % Time CGM is Active         99.9%	TIME IN RANGES	250
Glucose Ranges         Targets [% of Readings (Time/Day]           Target Range 70-180 mg/dL         Greater than 70% (16h 48min)           Below 70 mg/dL         Less than 4% (58min)           Below 54 mg/dL         Less than 1% (14min)	High (181-250 mg/dL)23% (5h 31min)	75%
Above 250 mg/dLLess than 5% (1h 12min) Each 5% increase in time in range (70-180 mg/dL) is clinically beneficial. Average Glucose 173 mg/dL Glucose Management Indicator (GMI) 7.6%	Target Range (70-180 mg/dL)47% (11h 17min)	25% 25% 3%
Glucose Variability 49.5% Defined as percent coefficient of variation (%CV); target ≾36%	Low (54–69 mg/dL)	0 12 am 3 am 6 am 9 am 12 pm 3 pm 6 pm 9 pm 12 am

#### If Using a BG meter, explore indications for a transition to CGM

- Any MDI therapy?
- Not meeting TIR and/or A1c goals?
- Frequent hypoglycemia and/or glucose variability?
- Patient lack of motivation for BG meter use?

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MDI: Multi-Dose Injection; TIR: Time in Range

## Clinical Approaches: Who needs a BG meter vs CGM?

- Patients with BG meter & willing to check BG
  - − **Type 2 & at goal**  $\rightarrow$  Surveillance 2-3x/wk FBG
- Patients on MDI Rx: When to switch from BGM to CGM?
  - **Patient safety**  $\rightarrow$  To better predict & prevent hypos
  - **Not meeting targets** → To reduce hypos, improve TIR & glucose variability
  - Patient interest & motivation → Improve self-management & outcomes
- Patients unwilling to check BG by finger sticks
  - Not meeting goals → Prof CGM
  - Wary or undecided patient  $\rightarrow$  Prof CGM or patients can order free trial
- Patients without BG meters
  - Perceived BG trends +/- A1c result?
  - − Prof CGM  $\rightarrow$  Trial for the unmotivated or less adherent patient

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MDI: Multiple daily injections; FBG: Fasting blood glucose; PPG: Post-prandial Glucose SLIDE 30

#### Systematic Approach to BGM/CGM reports

## Minimize

- Hypoglycemia
- Glucose variability
- Hyperglycemia

## **Priorities**

- Reduce hypoglycemia (TBR)
- Increase Time in Range (TIR)

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## Approach to Patient with a BG meter or CGM

- Invite patients to show you the BG/CGM review of data
  - Encourage patient use of data review options

#### COMPILE DATA! Construct AGP from BG Meter or CGM data

- % Time Below Range (TBR)
  - Any patterns for hypos?
- % Time in Range (TIR)
- % Time Above Range (TAR)
  - Any patterns for hyperglycemia?
- Pre-meal averages
- 7-14-30-90 Day Averages
  - Focus in on 14–30-day averages



- BG Meter auto-data review usually commences after power up
- Consider the "2-minute drill" → Press "on" button & explore meter

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AGP: Ambulatory Glucose Profile

### Ambulatory Glucose Profiles (AGPs)

#### AMBULATORY GLUCOSE PROFILE (AGP)





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#### **AGP Daily Snapshot**



### To Assist Patients to be Successful with CGM use?

- Advise to scan or check CGM frequently
  - But not too frequently!
- Set alerts/alarms to be useful & not overwhelming
- May need to occasionally check BG to confirm hypoglycemia, calibrations or CGM sensor/transmitter function



Sensor



Sensor & Transmitter

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# Clinic Processes to Address Diabetes Standards of Care

### How do you do all this in 20–25-minute visits?

- 1. Facility support to implement standards of care for patients with DM
- 2. Systematic approach to patient encounters
- 3. Smart phrases!

# How to Implement CGM into your Practice?

Recommend utilizing a diabetes care team & reviewing roles

Become familiar & comfortable with most common devices used

Ensure patients know usernames & passwords for online accounts

Each patient started on technology should be added to clinic's portal account for data access & shareability

# Clinic Support - YDC Team



Administrative Staff Medical Assistants Nurses Dieticians Clinicians



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# Clinic Support – "Crackerjack" Medical Assistants



MA manages BGM/CGM downloads & creates reports





MA has device connections & BG/CGM platform apps

MA obtains POC A1c

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# BG Meter & CGM Downloads – *Links for Software Access*

- Medtronic CareLink Quick Reference Guide: (CGM)
  - Provider link: <u>https://CareLink.Medtronic.com</u>
- Dexcom CLARITY for Healthcare Professionals: (CGM)
  - Provider link: <u>https://clarity.dexcom.com/professional/</u>
- LibreView website: (CGM)
  - Provider link: <u>https://provider.freestyle.abbott/ca-en/home/libreview.html</u>

#### • Glooko Remote Patient Management Software (BG meters)

- Provider link: <u>https://glooko.com/providers/</u>
- BG meter compatibility link: <u>https://glooko.com/compatibility/</u>

#### • TIDEPOOL - (BGMs & CGMs "Many devices - one place to upload!")

- Provider link: <u>https://provider.tidepool.org/</u>
- Compatibility link: <u>https://www.tidepool.org/devices</u>

# Systematic Approach to Patient with Diabetes



# **Common Pitfalls & Quick Fixes**

#### • BG meter is not set for correct date & time

- If not, hand it to your "Crackerjack" MA to set correctly
- Always thank & compliment them

### Patient forgot to hand BG meter to MA for downloading

- Hand it back to your "Crackerjack" MA to download
- Always thank & compliment them

#### • Patient doesn't know how to access reports on smartphone

- Ask them permission to review it yourself
- Use as a "teaching moment" to encourage self-management

#### • Patient forgets BG meter or CGM receiver in car or at home

- "Always bring your BG meter or CGM receiver to clinic visits!"



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# Challenges to Diabetes Technology Implementation

## Increased clinical staff time for downloading data

Education required to learn analysis & interpretation skills for CGMs & insulin pumps

Different software interfaces for each company

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### Case 1

- 42 yo presents for T1DM follow-up
- Did not bring a BG log or meter  $\rightarrow$  No AGP
- Reports the following perceived BG readings for "several months":
  - FBG: 110-120's range
  - PM pre-meal: 120-150's range

### • DM Rx:

- Insulin Glargine 30 units at HS
- Insulin Lispro 8 units with meals

HbA1c & Estimated Average BG 5% - 90 mg/dL 6% - 120 mg/dL 7% - 150 mg/dL 8% - 180 mg/dL 9% - 210 mg/dL 10% - 240 mg/dL 11% - 270 mg/dL 12% - 300 mg/dL 13% - 330 mg/dL

14% - 360 mg/dL

• **Data:** A1c: 9.2%

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• What's the best next step for patient's diabetes management?

FBG: Fasting blood glucose; AGP: Ambulatory Glucose Profile

# Case 1 – Pop Quiz

### What's the best next step for patient's diabetes management?

### • DM Rx:

- Insulin Glargine 30 units at HS
- Insulin Lispro 8 units with meals
- A. Increase insulin glargine by 20%
- B. Increase insulin lispro with meals by 20%
- C. Recommend the patient wear a professional CGM for 1 week
- D. Continue the same diabetes regimen as patient is likely non-adherent

### Case 1 -Patient returns to review Professional CGM results





Fri Sep 10, 2021 - Thu Sep 23, 2021 (13.6 days)

#### AGP Assessment:

- 1. TBR: 0%
- 2. TIR: 36%
- 3. TAR: 64%
- 4. Avg BG: 226

#### Patterns Assessment:

- 1. No hypoglycemia
- 2. TIR: 4-8pm; lowest to 100's
- 3. Significant PP hyperglycemia mid-PM to mid-afternoon
- 4. BGs > goal most of day

#### Plan:

- 1. Increase PM meal bolus insulin by 20% (to 10 units)
- 2. Increase basal insulin by 10% (to 33 units)

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SLIDE 47 60 yoM with a PMH of T2DM, HTN & HLD presents for DM f/u:

### DM Rx:

- Metformin XR 2000mg daily
- Insulin Glargine 60 units in PM (basal)
- Insulin Lispro 5 units with meals (bolus) PLUS BG correction scale
  - BG Correction sliding scale: 2 units/50 above 100

### **Glucose Monitoring:**

• Using rtCGM → but forgot his CGM scanner...

# Case 2 – rtCGM Data period: 12-17-20 to 1-15-2021



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# Case 2 – Assessment/Plan

Component	1/14/2021	10/26/2020	9/02/2020	Assessment: T2DM – uncontrolled on BBC & MTF
A1C, POC 4.0 - 6.0 %	11.1	10.5	9.9	<ul> <li>A1c: 11.1% uptrend; goal of &lt;7%</li> <li>AGP: 100% TAR with no hypos <ul> <li>Pre-meal averages: all &gt; 70-180</li> </ul> </li> <li>Elevated CVD Risk: FRS: 10%</li> </ul>

#### Plan:

- T2DM:
  - 1. Start GLP-1 Semaglutide for glycemic, MACE & wt loss benefits
    - 0.25mg weekly x 4 weeks then to 0.5mg & maintain until f/u
  - 2. Continue Continue Insulin Glargine 60 units in PM
    - If FBG > 150 mg/dL for 1 week, then increase Glargine by 1 unit weekly
  - 3. Continue pre-meal Insulin Lispro at current dosing & Metformin
  - 4. Initiate individualized weight loss considerations, diet & activity plan as directed
  - 5. Follow-up in 3 months

BBC: Basal-Bolus-Correction insulin; MTF: Metformin; MACE: Major adverse cardiac events

# Case 2 – 8 Month Follow-up: 9-22-21 to 10-5-21





1. AGP: 71% TIR & 28% TAR with 1% hypos w/o obvious pattern

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Physician Associate Progra Some HS variability based on PM meal carbs; pre-meal BG averages improved. E 51



- **62-year-old with T2DM ('20) & BMI of 38.** Complains she's only lost a few pounds after multiple unsuccessful attempts at lifestyle changes including stricter BG monitoring, added activity & diet changes.
- DM Meds:

Lab Doculte

- Metformin XR 2000mg twice daily before meals
- **Data:** A1c trends (A1c drawn ~1 month before visit; Goal of A1c 6-7%:

Value	Date
7.8	09/15/2021
7.9	03/10/2021
7.3	09/02/2020
7.7 (H)	07/10/2020
8.3 (H)	04/30/2020
12.0 (H)	02/10/2020
	7.8 7.9 7.3 7.7 (H) 8.3 (H)

## Case 3 - AGP



- 1. AGP: 72% TIR & 28% TAR with 0% hypos
- 2. Pre-meal BG averages 210-240's
- 3. Elevated glucose variability

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# Case 3 – A/P: Above goal A1c, AGP & weight

#### Assessment:

- Uncontrolled T2DM with CVD hx & overweight on MTF 1000mg BID
  - Above goal A1c 7.8% (goal 6-7%)
  - Above goal AGP: 28% TIR & 72% TAR & pre-meal averages above goal
- Weight above goal BMI of 38 & motivated for lifestyle changes
  - Blaming self for failing unrealistic goals
  - Not giving herself credit for successes
  - Assess "Lifestyle VS" & employ "SMART" goals
  - <u>Plan:</u>
    - Lifestyle Med Plan:
      - Download Pedometer to smart phone
      - Activity Rx given: 2000 steps/day x 1 mo & aim to increase to 10K steps/day
    - Add GLP-1  $\rightarrow$  Semaglutide 0.25mg x 4 wks then 0.5mg weekly until next f/u
    - Continue Metformin 1000mg BID
    - Follow-up in 3 months

# Case 3 – AGP: 3 Month Follow-up



3. No evidence of glucose variability

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AGP: Ambulatory Glucose Profile

# Case 3 - 3 Month Follow-up A/P

### Lifestyle Vitals:

- Using smartphone pedometer & averaging 5-7 K steps/day
- Maintaining small portion sizes & healthier nutrient balance

#### Data:

- Wt loss 7lbs
- A1c 6.8%
- AGP 100% TIR via BGM 2x/day

#### Assessment: Controlled T2DM & 7lb Weight loss

#### Plan:

- Lifestyle Plan: Reassess for confidence in maintaining plan
- Continue Semaglutide
  - Consider future dose increase for further wt loss benefit?
- Continue Metformin 1000g BID

# Smart Phrases – Glycemia Reports – BG Meter

# **SMBG:** $\rightarrow$ **BGM**\*

-Uses BG meter | Uses Libre CGM | Uses Guardian Link or Dexcom CGM

-Checks BG | Scans 2-4x/day qAC AM & PM & when feeling hypos

-Hypos: 3-4x/wk & mostly in late AM; some to low 50's

	Pre-Meal BG (mg/dL)	2hr PPG (mg/dL)
Breakfast	XX	XX
Lunch	XX	XX
Supper	XX	XX
Bedtime	XX	XX

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\*Summary of Revisions: Standards of Medical Care in Diabetes - 2022. Diabetes Care
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# *Smart Phrases*: Glycemia Reports – BG or CGM Downloads

#### BGM:

-Checks BG 2-3x/day before AM & PM meals & when feeling hypos -Hypos: 3-4x/wk & mostly in late AM; some to low 50's

<u>Glycemia Data Report:</u>		
Date of Interpretation:	1/3/202	2
Data period:	<b>xx-</b> 1/3/2	2022
Readings:	XX	
Mean BG (mg/dL):	XX	
Range BG mg/dL):	XX-XX	<b>Previous</b> AGP:
% Hyperglycemia (>180):	XX	40%
% at Target (70-180):	XX	54%
% Hypoglycemia (<70):	XX	6%



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# **CGM** Prescribing

FREESTYLE LIBRE 14 DAY READER
FREESTYLE LIBRE 14 DAY SENSOR KIT



GUARDIAN CONNECT TRANSMITTER DEVICE

GUARDIAN LINK 3 TRANSMITTER DEVICE

GUARDIAN RT TEST PLUG DEVICE

**GUARDIAN SENSOR 3 DEVICE** 



DEXCOM G6 TRANSMITTER DEVICE
 DEXCOM G6 SENSOR DEVICE
 DEXCOM G6 RECEIVER MISC



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# CGM Billing

### Common Billing Codes for Personal & Professional CGM Visits & Services<sup>1</sup>

CPT Code	Type of Service	Provider	Frequency	Encounter Type
95249	Personal CGM (Initial startup & training)	RN, PharmD, CDCES or MA (if within scope) under the supervision of a physician, advanced practitioner, or hospital outpatient department	Once during time the patient owns the device or if transitioning to new device	Face to face visit
95250	Professional CGM (Startup, training, application, removal & printout)	RN, PharmD, CDCES or MA (if within scope) under the supervision of a physician, advanced practitioner, or hospital outpatient department	Maximum once per month	Face to face visit
95251	CGM data interpretation	Physician, NP, PA or CNS	Monthly*	Non-face to face visit
-25 modifier	Separate identifiable service	Physician, NP, PA or CNS	With office visits	Face to face visit

\*Time intervals for data analysis reimbursement may vary by payer organization

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<sup>1</sup>Miller EM. Using Continuous Glucose Monitoring in Clinical Practice. *Clin Diabetes*. 2020;38(5):429-438. doi:10.2337/cd20-0043

# Five Tips for Diabetes Technology & Management

- 1. Reducing hypoglycemia & increasing TIR are treatment priorities
- 2. Aim for "Individual & Incremental" changes in management
- 3. Glucose monitoring device selection CGM is biggest bang for buck!
- 4. Secure access to patients' CGM data & account login information
- 5. Avoid nuisance alarms by making CGM alerts/alarms actionable

# Diabetes Tech & CGM Summary



# **Post-Session Questions**

- 1. When educating patients about differences between blood glucose monitoring (BGM) & continuous glucose monitoring (CGM), you will want to include all the following <u>except</u>:
  - A. CGMs will provide > 4000 glucose readings in a 2-week period
  - B. CGM systems give the most accurate readings of glucose
  - C. BGM systems give the most accurate readings of glucose
  - D. BGM readings are ~5-10 minutes ahead of CGM readings

# **Post-Session Questions**

# 2. CGMs have shown which of the following effects in clinical trials regarding hypoglycemia?

- A. CGMs had no effect on time spent in hypoglycemia
- B. CGMs increased time spent in hypoglycemia
- C. CGMs reduced minutes/day spent in hypoglycemia with use of first sensor
- D. CGMs reduced minutes/day spent in hypoglycemia after 3 months of use

# **Post-Session Questions**

- 3. In order to get Medicare coverage for Continuous Glucose Monitors (CGM), patients must meet all following requirements <u>except</u>:
  - A. Be on an insulin pump or receiving at least 3 doses of insulin per day
  - B. Be monitoring their blood glucose at least 4 times daily
  - C. Require frequent insulin dose adjustments based on CGM results
  - D. Be seen by a diabetes provider within 6 months of CGM Rx & followed at least every 6 months to continue coverage

# Available CGMs Comparisons & Specifications<sup>1,2</sup>

	Dexcom® G6	Freestyle Libre 14 day	Freestyle Libre 2	Medtronic Guardian <sup>™</sup> 3	Eversense® and Eversense® XL
Manufacturer	Dexcom	Abbott	Abbott	Medtronic	Senseonics
CGM group	rtCGM	isCGM	isCGM	rtCGM	rtCGM
Sensor technology	Enzyme electrode	Enzyme electrode	Enzyme electrode	Enzyme electrode	Optical fluorescence
Fingerstick calibration	0 (factory calibrated)	0 (factory calibrated)	0 (factory calibrated)	2/day minimum	2/day minimum
Requires fingerstick confirmation	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Approved for ages	2+ years	18+ years	4+ years	7+ years (with 670G pump) 14+ years with Guardian™Connect	18+ years
Sensor application	Abdomen	Back of upper arm	Back of upper arm	Back of upper arm and abdomen	Upper arm (implanted)
Warm up	2 hours	1 hour	1 hour	2 hours	24 hrs
Wear length	10 days	14 days	14 days	7 days	90 days/180 days
Transmitter design	Three-month use transmitter separate from sensor	Fully disposable transmitter integrated with sensor patch	Fully disposable transmitter integrated with sensor patch	Rechargeable transmitter separate from sensor	Rechargeable, transmitter separate from sensor
Alarms for high and lows	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Data Display	Receiver, Dexcom® G6 app for Android, iPhone, smartwatches, Tandem t:slim X2 pump	Reader, FreeStyle LibreLink app for Android and iPhone	Reader (mobile app not yet available in US)	630G or 670G pump, Guardian™ Connect app for Android and iPhone	Eversense® app for Android and iPhone
Software for analysis	Dexcom® Clarity	FreeStyle Libre LibreView	FreeStyle Libre LibreView	Carelink™	Eversense® DMS
Remote monitoring	Dexcom <sup>®</sup> Share	LibreLinkUp	LibreLinkUp	CareLink <sup>™</sup> Connect	Eversense® Now
Integration with pump	Tandem T:slim Control IQ and Basal IQ	No	No	The Guardian <sup>™</sup> 3 is part of the 670G hybrid closed-loop insulin pump	No
Medicare coverage	Yes	*Yes	*Yes	Yes	Yes

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<sup>1</sup>Integrated Diabetes Services: <u>https://integrateddiabetes.com/continuous-glucose-monitor-comparisons-and-reviews/</u> <sup>2</sup>diaTribe Learn – Making Sense of Diabetes: <u>https://diatribe.org/continuous-glucose-monitors-cgms#3</u>

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