## Diabetes

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#### Goals

- Get a better understanding of types 1 and 2 diabetes
- Learn about insulin resistance and its role in pre-diabetes and diabetes
- Be more informed about diabetes complications
- Discuss diabetes prevention

## Statistics

- ▶ 10.5% of the U.S. population has diabetes
- 13.0% of adults in the U.S. have diabetes
- ~25.4% of adults in the U.S. had prediabetes in 2018



Source: CDC National Diabetes Statistics Report, 2020

#### Type 1 and Type 2...the difference

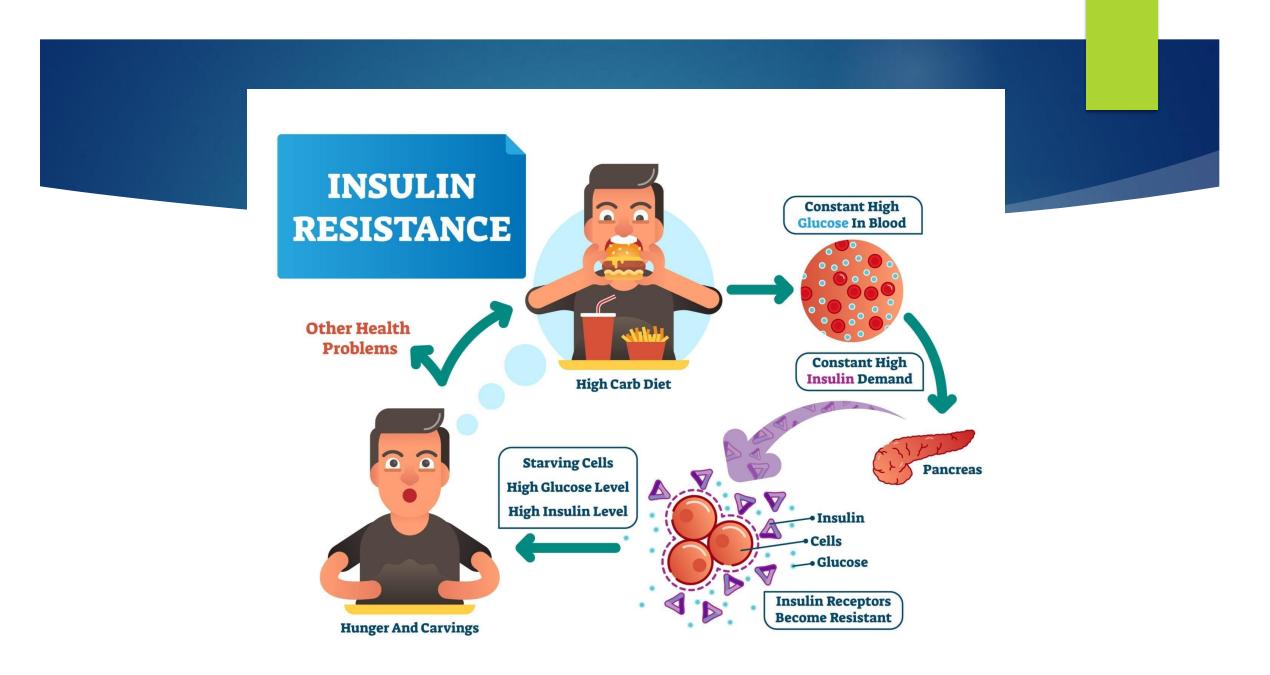
#### Type 1

- Autoimmune
- Can't produce insulin
- Needs insulin to survive
- ► Type 2
  - Due to insulin-resistance
  - Can be managed with lifestyle modifications
  - May need oral medications and/or insulin

#### **Risk Factors**

#### Age

- Any age, but increased in childhood (DM1)
- >45 (DM2)
- History of diabetes in 1st generation relative (DM1 and DM2)
- Prediabetes (DM2)
- Afr.-Am., Native Am., Latin Am. (DM2)
- Physical inactivity (DM2)
- Medications (DM2)
- Gestational DM or gave birth to a baby >9 lbs (DM2)
- NAFL (DM2)
- Sleep disturbances (DM2)



#### Symptoms

- ► Fatigue
- Increased thirst
- Increased urination
- Numbness and tingling in hands and feet
- Blurry vision
- Yeast infection

## Diagnosis

- ► Hemoglobin A1c
  - > 3-month average of glucose readings
  - Prediabetes
    - ▶ 5.7-6.4
  - Diabetes
    - ▶ =>6.5
- Blood glucose
  - ► Fasting glucose
    - Prediabetes: 100-125
    - ▶ Diabetes: >126
  - Random glucose
    - ▶ Diabetes:>200

		INITIAL VISIT	EVERY FOLLOW- UP VISIT	ANNUAL VISIT
PHYSICAL EXAMINATION	<ul> <li>Height, weight, and BMI; growth/pubertal development in children and adolescents</li> <li>Blood pressure determination</li> <li>Orthostatic blood pressure measures (when indicated)</li> <li>Fundoscopic examination (refer to eye specialist)</li> <li>Thyroid palpation</li> <li>Skin examination (e.g., acanthosis nigricans, insulin injection or insertion sites, lipodystrophy)</li> <li>Comprehensive foot examination <ul> <li>Visual inspection (e.g., skin integrity, callous formation, foot deformity or ulcer, toenails)</li> <li>Screen for PAD (pedal pulses; refer for ABI if diminished)</li> <li>Determination of temperature, vibration or pinprick sensation, and 10-g monofilament exam</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	* * * *	* * *	* * * * * * *
LABORATORY EVALUATION	<ul> <li>A1C, if the results are not available within the past 3 months</li> <li>If not performed/available within the past year <ul> <li>Lipid profile, including total, LDL, and HDL cholesterol and triglycerides<sup>#</sup></li> <li>Liver function tests<sup>#</sup></li> <li>Spot urinary albumin-to-creatinine ratio</li> <li>Serum creatinine and estimated glomerular filtration rate<sup>†</sup></li> <li>Thyroid-stimulating hormone in patients with type 1 diabetes<sup>#</sup></li> <li>Vitamin B12 if on metformin (when indicated)</li> <li>Serum potassium levels in patients on ACE inhibitors, ARBs, or diuretics<sup>†</sup></li> </ul> </li> </ul>	* * * * * * *	~	× × × × × ×

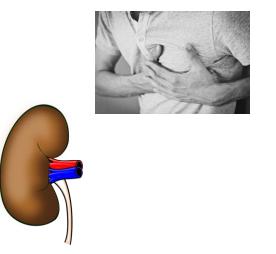
#### Treatment

- ► Type 1 Diabetes
  - ► Lifestyle modification
  - Insulin
- ► Type 2 Diabetes
  - Lifestyle modification
  - ► Pills
  - Non-insulin injectables
  - Insulin



### Complications

- Hypoglycemia
- Diabetic Ketoacidosis and Hyperosmolar Hyperglycemic Syndrome (HHS)
- Cardiovascular disease
- Kidney disease
- Diabetic Neuropathy
- Diabetic Retinopathy
- Sexual dysfunction





#### Prevention/Treatment

- Annual monitoring for the development of diabetes
- Achieve and maintaining weight loss of 5-7% of starting weight
- Moderate intensity physical activity to include cardio and strength training
- CDC-recognized lifestyle change program
- Screening for and treating modifiable cardiovascular disease risk factors
- Stress reduction
- Metformin therapy
- Mediterranean diet v. AHA diet

#### "Healthy Eating Costs Too Much!"

- Dirty dozen/Clean 15
- Meal planning
  - Batch cooking
  - Instapot/crockpot
  - Recipe websites
- It's a family affair!
- Soda alternatives
  - Flav ored mineral water
  - Fruit-infused water or water + 1 ounce juice
  - Unsweetened tea
  - Kombucha w/o added sugar



#### Final Thoughts

- Diabetes does not have to be a death sentence...
  - ...but it will take some diligence to prevent and control!
- Control your blood sugar...
  - ...otherwise it will control you
- > You cannot defeat your genetic makeup...
  - ...but you can defeat inherited harmful habits!
- Strive for generational health!

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What Your Doctor Wants You to Know but Can't Tell You in 15 Minutes

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