

Diabetes Self-Management Questionnaire

General Information

1. Name: _____ Age: _____
2. Address: _____ City: _____ Zip Code: _____
3. Home phone: _____ Work phone: _____ Cell: _____
4. Your primary physician's name: _____
5. Your diabetes physician's name: _____
6. What is your race or ethnic background?
 American Indian or Alaskan Native Asian/Chinese/Japanese/Korean Black/African American
 Hispanic/Latino/Mexican Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander White/Caucasian
 Other: _____

Socioeconomic / Support System

1. Marital status: Single Married Divorced Widowed Separated
2. How many people live in your household? _____
3. Does anyone else who lives with you have diabetes? No Yes: Who? _____
Is there anyone who will help you with your diabetes care? No Yes
If "yes," who? Family Friend/s Educator Provider Other: _____
If different, who is your primary support person/caregiver? None Yes: _____
4. Occupation: _____ Work hours: _____
5. Last grade of school completed: _____
6. Any religion preference? _____

Cultural Influences

1. Do you have any special dietary needs, religious and/or cultural observances? Yes No
If "yes," explain: _____
2. What is your language preference? Spoken: _____ Reading: _____

Diabetes History

1. How long have you had diabetes or year diagnosed? _____
2. What type of diabetes do you have? Type 1 Type 2 Gestational Don't know

Chronic Complications - Are you aware of or have you ever been told by a doctor you have any of these problems? Please rate as: L=Little M=Moderate S=Severe

- Eye problems, explain: _____
- Heart/artery problems, explain: _____
- Nerve problems, explain: _____
- Teeth/gums problems, explain: _____
- Feet/leg problems, explain: _____
- Skin problems, explain: _____
- Gastrointestinal problems, explain: _____ Bowel Movements per day: _____
- Sexual problems, explain: _____
- Kidney problems, explain: _____
- Frequent infections, explain: _____
- Other problems, explain: _____

Diabetes Health Attitudes / Learning

1. How would you rate your understanding of diabetes? Good Fair Poor
2. In your own words what is diabetes? _____
3. Have you ever been instructed on diabetes care? No Yes: Where and by whom?

4. Do you have any physical limitations that may affect your ability to perform your self-care?
 Hearing problems Problems with the use of your hands Problems with the use of your feet
 Vision loss (not corrected by glasses or contacts) No problems
5. How do you learn best?
 Written materials Verbal discussions Video Hands-on/Doing Other _____
6. Do you have any other barriers to learning (for example, problems with reading, writing, and/or understanding numbers)?
 No Yes: Describe barrier(s): _____

Medical History

1. Have you ever been diagnosed, ever been told, or have you had problems with the following?
 High Blood pressure High Cholesterol/Triglycerides Kidney/Bladder problems
 Eye or vision problems Frequent nausea, vomiting, constipation, diarrhea
 Surgery in the last 5 years Heart disease/Chest pain Thyroid disease
 Asthma Depression or anxiety Circulation problems
 Obesity Shortness of Breath Stroke
 Numbness/pain/tingling of hands/feet Other health problems: _____
2. Do you have any allergies? No Yes: Medication/foods: _____
3. Do you smoke cigarettes or vaping devices? No Yes: How much? _____
Have you ever smoked in the past? No Yes: How long did you smoke for? _____
How much? _____ When did you quit? _____
Have you ever tried to quit? No Yes: How long ago? _____
Would you like information on how to quit? No Yes
4. Do you drink alcohol? No Yes If "yes," amount and type? _____

Family History

1. List any family members with diabetes: _____
With high blood pressure: _____
With heart attacks or other heart problems: _____
With stroke: _____ With cancer: _____

Health Care Used in Past 12 months

1. When was your last physical examination? _____
2. How often do you see your regular doctor? _____
3. Have you been hospitalized within the last 12 months? No Yes
If "yes," describe reason(s) and where: _____
4. Have you been to the emergency room within the last 12 months? No Yes
If "yes," describe reason(s) and where: _____

Your Diabetes Self Care Behaviors

Healthy Eating

1. Height:_____ Weight:_____ What weight are you comfortable at?_____
2. Has your weight changed in the past three months? No Yes If "yes," I've lost / gained_____ lbs.
Was the weight change intentional? No Yes:_____
3. Highest Weight/Age:_____ Lowest Weight/Age:_____ Goal Weight:_____
4. Have you ever received diet counseling? No Yes If "yes," describe:_____
5. Do you have a current meal plan?_____ If so, what is it?_____
6. What is your biggest challenge to eating healthily?_____
7. How many times do you eat per day? Meals:_____ Snacks:_____
8. Times of meals: am:_____ noon:_____ pm:_____ snacks:_____
9. If you are a minor and/or a student, which do you eat at school?
 School breakfast School lunch Breakfast from home Lunch from home
10. Who does the cooking?_____ Who usually does the grocery shopping?_____
11. How many times do you eat away from home **per week/month**?_____
12. How often is your meal away from home: Cafeteria style: _____ Fast food: _____ Buffet: _____
Sit-down restaurant: _____ Other: _____
13. How is your food usually prepared? Fried Baked Broiled Grilled Steamed Boiled
 Other: _____
14. How would you describe your portions? Small Average Large
15. How would you describe your appetite? Increased Normal Decreased
16. List any food allergies or intolerance:_____
17. Any other special diet needs:_____
18. How do mood/stress affect your eating: _____

How often do you eat/drink the following:	Never	1 time per month	2-3 times per month	1-2 times per week	3-4 times per week	1 time per day	2 or more times per day
Fruits							
Vegetables							
Sweets/desserts							
Chips							
Frozen foods							
Canned foods							
Beverages	Never	1 time per month	2-3 times per month	1-2 times per week	3-4 times per week	1 time per day	2 or more times per day
Milk: <input type="checkbox"/> Fat-free <input type="checkbox"/> 1 % <input type="checkbox"/> 2 % <input type="checkbox"/> Whole <input type="checkbox"/> Other							
Juice							
Soda							
Sugar-free drinks							
Energy drinks							
Alcohol							
Water per day <i>Note: 1 bottle of water is 16 ounces</i>	8-16 ounces (1-2 cups)	24 ounces (3 cups)	32 ounces (4 cups)	40 ounces (5 cups)	48 ounces (6 cups)	56 ounces (7 cups)	64 ounces or more (8 cups, 2 liters)
Starches	Never	1 time per month	2-3 times per month	1-2 times per week	3-4 times per week	1 time per day	2 or more times per day
Cereal							
Bread: <input type="checkbox"/> white <input type="checkbox"/> wheat							
Potatoes							
Beans							
Tortillas: <input type="checkbox"/> corn <input type="checkbox"/> flour							
Rice							
Oats							
Pasta							
Corn/peas							
Meats/Protein	Never	1 time per month	2-3 times per month	1-2 times per week	3-4 times per week	1 time per day	2 or more times per day
Chicken							
Beef							
Pork							
Fish							
Turkey							
Eggs							
Cheese							
Nuts/nut butter							
Cooking Oil/Fat	Never	1 time per month	2-3 times per month	1-2 times per week	3-4 times per week	1 time per day	2 or more times per day
Lard/shortening							
Butter/margarine							
Olive							
Vegetable/corn							
Canola							
Other							

Being Active

1. Do you exercise regularly? No Yes Types of exercise(s): _____
How many days per week do you exercise: _____ How many minutes do you exercise per day? _____
What time of day do you exercise? _____
Note: If you are a minor/student, please include exercise during PE in school.
2. List any problems with exercise: _____
3. How important is it to you to be active, where **0** is not important at all and **10** is very important? (Circle one):
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
4. How sure are you that you can be active, where **0** is not sure and **10** is very sure? (Circle one):
0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Food Insecurity

1. In the last 12 months, did you ever cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there wasn't enough money for food? No Yes
If yes, how often did this happen? Almost every month Some months but not every month In 1-2 months
2. In the last 12 months, did you ever eat less than you felt you should because there wasn't enough money for food?
 No Yes
3. In the last 12 months, were you ever hungry but didn't eat because you couldn't afford enough food? No Yes
4. Answer the following statements regarding your food situation:
1) "The food that I bought just didn't last, and I didn't have money to get more."
 Often true Sometimes true Never true
2) "I couldn't afford to eat balanced meals."
 Often true Sometimes true Never true

Monitoring

1. Do you test your blood for sugar? Yes No
If "yes," what blood sugar monitor do you use? _____

Do you have any problems with your monitor? No Yes _____
How often do you test? Once a day 2 or more times a day Once/ Twice a week Rarely/ Never
Usual results? Mornings: _____ Afternoon: _____ Bedtime: _____ After Meals: _____ Other times: _____
2. Do you keep a record? Yes No
3. What is considered a normal blood sugar range? _____
4. What are **your** target numbers? _____
5. How often do you have **HIGH** blood sugar? (250 or more) Daily Several times a week
 A few times a month Once in a while Rarely or never Don't know
6. How often do you have **LOW** blood sugar (70 or less)? Daily Several times a week
 A few times a month Once in a while Rarely or never Don't know

7. Do you have access to your diabetes supplies? No Yes: Pharmacy_____
8. Do you test your urine for sugar or ketones? No Yes: How often_____
9. How important is it to you to monitor your blood sugar at least once per day, where **0** is not important at all and **10** is very important? (Circle one):
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
10. How sure are you that you can monitor your blood sugar at least once per day, where **0** is not sure at all and **10** is very sure? (Circle one):
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Taking Medications

1. Do you take pills for your diabetes? No Yes: What times?_____
2. Any side effects from the medications that you know of? No Yes:_____
3. Do you take any additional nutritional supplements? Vitamins Herbal supplements Other:_____
4. Have you ever forgotten to take your diabetes medication? No Yes: How often?_____
5. Do you take insulin? Yes No (**proceed to question #6**)
 Do you inject insulin with: Syringe Insulin pen Insulin pump
 Who fills the syringe?_____Who gives the injection?_____
 What injection sites are used?_____
 Where do you keep the insulin?_____
 Do you reuse your syringes? No Yes If "yes," how often?_____
 Where do you dispose your syringes?_____
6. Have you ever forgotten to take your insulin? No Yes: How often?_____
7. How important is it to you to take your medicines, where **0** is not important at all and **10** is very important? (Circle one):
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
8. How sure are you that you can take your medicines, where **0** is not sure at all and **10** is very sure? (Circle one):
 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Problem Solving

1. Have you ever had a low blood sugar reaction?
 No Yes: How often? Rare 1-2 times per week Daily Other_____
 If "yes," how did you feel?_____
 How did you treat it?_____
 Did you require assistance or hospitalization for it? No Yes: When/Where?_____
2. Do you carry a source of sugar with you? No Yes If "yes," what kind?_____
3. Have you ever had to give Glucagon? Don't Know No Yes
4. Does someone who lives with you know how to give Glucagon? Don't Know Yes No
5. Do you have an identification that says you are diabetic? Don't Know Yes No
6. Have you ever had high blood sugar? Don't Know Yes No

If "yes," how did you feel? _____
What did you do to treat it? _____

Have you ever been hospitalized for very high blood sugar? No Yes

When/Where: _____

7. When you are sick or cannot eat usual food, how do you take care of yourself?

- Replace usual food with carbohydrate or sugar Take diabetes medication Check ketone levels
 Check blood sugar more often Drink more water Contact healthcare provider
 Do nothing Other _____

Stress

1. Is there much stress in your life? No If "yes," explain: _____

2. What do you do to handle stress in your life? _____

3. How important is being able to problem solve when being faced with everyday and/or challenging decisions, where **0** is not important at all and **10** is very important? (Circle one):

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

4. Do you feel you can problem solve when faced with everyday and/or challenging decisions, where **0** is not sure at all and **10** very sure? (Circle one):

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

5. Do you perceive problems with your diabetes management, where **0** is none perceived and **10** is perceive many?

(Circle one):

0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10

Healthy Coping

1. How would you describe your general health? Good Fair Poor

2. Is your health important to you? All the time Sometimes Only when ill Not at all

3. How do you feel about having diabetes? _____

4. Do you feel diabetes is serious? Yes No

5. Do you feel you can control your diabetes? Yes No

6. Is good control worth it? Yes No

7. My diabetes has caused problems in the following areas:

- Family life/social activities Work/school Sports/exercise Sexual relations
 Finances Contentment Travel None
 Other: _____

8. DURING THE PAST MONTH have you experienced any of the following and to what degree?

1) Feeling overwhelmed by the care that living with diabetes requires

- Often Sometimes Never

2) Feeling that I am often failing with my diabetes routine

- 3) Often Sometimes Never

9. Are you currently experiencing any of the following?
- | | | | |
|---|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Separation | <input type="checkbox"/> Divorce | <input type="checkbox"/> Illness | <input type="checkbox"/> Unemployment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Confusion | <input type="checkbox"/> Loneliness | <input type="checkbox"/> Depression symptoms | <input type="checkbox"/> Thoughts of hurting yourself |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Housing problems | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial difficulties | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation issues | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Recent death | <input type="checkbox"/> No problems | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | |
10. Do you have history of depression? No Yes: How often do you feel depressed?
- A lot Some A little Not at all

Reducing Risks

1. How often do you have your eyes checked by an eye doctor? _____ Date of last exam (with drops in the eyes): _____
2. Do you wear glasses? No Yes: For what? _____
3. Have you noticed any changes in your skin recently? Yes No
If "yes," please describe: _____
4. How often do you check your feet at home? Daily Weekly Never Other: _____
Date of last foot exam by doctor: _____
5. How often do you have a dental checkup? _____ Date of last checkup: _____
6. Have you ever had a shot to prevent pneumonia? No Yes: When: _____
7. Have you received a flu shot within the year? No Yes: When: _____
8. Have you received the COVID-19 vaccine/s? No Yes: When and how many? _____
9. Have you had your blood pressure checked? No Yes: When: _____
10. Have you had a fasting glucose (blood sugar) checked? No Yes: When: _____
11. Have you had your cholesterol and triglycerides checked? No Yes: When: _____
12. Have you had an A1c test done? No Yes: When: _____
13. Do you wear a bracelet or keep something with you that identifies you as having diabetes? Yes No
14. Do you have a Diabetes Emergency Plan? Yes No
15. How sure are you that you can get the help you need to prevent or reduce problems related to diabetes, where **0** is not sure at all and **10** is very sure? (Circle one):

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	---	----

Goal Setting

1. What areas of diabetes would you like to learn more about?
 What is diabetes? Pills for diabetes High blood sugar Low blood sugar Diet
 Exercise Stress Sick Days Pregnancy Blood testing
 Complications Insulin Pumps Emergency Preparedness
2. Having diabetes means you may need to make changes; if any, what changes would you like to make now?
 Being active Eating healthily Medication taking
 Monitoring Living with diabetes Using healthy coping strategies
 Problem solving for blood sugars and sick days Reducing risks of diabetes complications
 None of the above Other: _____

Women Only

1. Date of last Pap smear/pelvic exam: _____ Last mammogram: _____
2. How many pregnancies have you had? _____ Abortions/miscarriages: _____
3. How many living children do you have? _____ Complications of pregnancy? _____
4. Were you ever told you had diabetes in pregnancy? No Yes
5. Did you have any children that weighted over 9 pounds at birth? No Yes
6. What method of birth control do you use?
 No method is used Postmenopausal Birth control pills Condoms
 Norplant/Implanon/Nexplanon Tubal ligation Depo-Provera shots IUD
 Other: _____
7. Are you breastfeeding? No Yes: How much breast milk and formula are you feeding?
 Breastmilk only Half breastmilk and some formula or foods
 Some breastmilk, mostly formula or foods

Women Only: Pregnancy

1. Are you currently pregnant? No Yes If "yes," what is your due date? _____
2. When was your last menstrual period? _____
3. Are you planning to become pregnant? No Yes
If "yes," are you aware of the effects of diabetes on pregnancy and of pregnancy on diabetes? No Yes