



# DIABETES DIARY

Montefiore

# MANAGING YOUR DIABETES

Montefiore physicians know it can be a challenge managing your diabetes. That's why we've created this blood sugar diary designed to help you.

## Use this diary to:

- Set goals
- Monitor your blood sugar
- Record important information related to your diabetes treatment
- Track your progress

Always consult your health care provider if you have questions about your medications, treatment or when and how often to check your blood sugar levels.

## LOW BLOOD SUGAR

Close family and friends should be made aware of your diabetes and symptoms. Low blood sugar is when blood sugar levels are less than 70 mg/dl.

### Symptoms of low blood sugar can occur within minutes and include:

- Shaking or trembling
- Sweating
- Rapid or pounding heartbeat
- Weakness or confusion
- Hunger
- Feeling crabby, irritable
- Fainting, unconsciousness

### Causes

- Too much insulin or too many diabetes pills
- Not enough food or a delay in a meal time
- Too much exercise or unplanned activity

### Actions

- Check blood sugar if possible
- Then take a fast-acting sugar source such as
  - 4 ounces (or 1/2 cup) fruit juice or regular soda
  - 3 glucose tablets
  - 6 or 7 Lifesavers
- Finally test blood sugar in 15 minutes

### Emergency Support

As a precaution, close friends and family members should be made aware that their support may be necessary in the event of an emergency. They should take the following steps if you become unconscious:

- Call 911 immediately
- Provide an injection of glucagon, if prescribed by your doctor
- Dip a finger in maple or corn syrup and then rub on the inside of your cheek

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

TEST / FREQUENCY	TARGET	DATE	DATE	DATE	DATE	DATE
<b>Weight</b> Every 3 Months						
<b>Blood Pressure</b> Every 3 Months						
<b>HbA1c</b> Every 3 Months						
<b>(HDL) “Good” Cholesterol</b> Yearly						
<b>(LDL) “Bad” Cholesterol</b> Yearly						
<b>Triglycerides</b> Yearly						
<b>Microalbumin</b> (protein in urine) Yearly						
<b>Dilated Eye Exam</b> Yearly						
<b>Dental Exam</b> Yearly						
<b>Foot Exam for Neuropathy</b> Yearly						

## Clinical Diabetes Center at Montefiore

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# YOUR HEALTHCARE PROVIDERS

DIABETES TEAM MEMBERS	NAME	PHONE NUMBER
Primary Care Provider		
Specialist Doctor		
Nurse Educator		
Nutritionist		
Pharmacy		
Eye Doctor		
Dentist		
American Diabetes Association		1-800-Diabetes



# YOUR MEDICATIONS



MEDICATION NAME	DOSAGE	FREQUENCY
FLU VACCINE	Date	Annually
PNEUMOVAX	Date	Once Under 65 Years Once Over 65 Years

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