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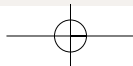
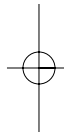
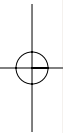
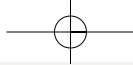
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# INTRODUCTION

The Clinical Practice Guidelines: Management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus (4th Edition) was published in May 2009. This Training Module is produced to assist the 'trainers' in delivering all of the components relating to the implementation of the new T2DM CPG systematically and effectively.

This document contains the following:

1. CD-ROM containing the powerpoint presentations
2. The outline for each topic
3. Case studies at the end of each topic
4. Template for the training program/schedule
5. Pre-test and post-test questionnaire

Target Audience:

All health care providers involved with the care of diabetes patients in both primary health care and secondary health care settings.

Table 1 Summary of Training Module Content

No.	Topic	Duration (minutes)	
		Lecture	Case Studies
1.	Overview of the T2DM CPG	15	-
2.	Screening & Diagnosis	30	30
3.	Prevention of Diabetes	15	-
4.	Medical Nutrition Therapy	45	30
5.	Physical Activity	15	
6.	Oral Anti-Diabetic Agents	60	60
7.	Insulin Therapy	60	
8.	Diabetes with Hypertension & Dyslipidaemia	60	60
9.	Diabetes during Acute Illness, Emergencies & Surgery	30	45
10.	Diabetes in Pregnancy	45	
11.	Screening & Diagnosis of Diabetes Complications	90	60
Total		465	285



**TOPIC 1**

OVERVIEW OF THE  
T2DM CPG  
MANAGEMENT OF TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS  
(4<sup>th</sup> Edition)  
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## Slide 1

## Diabetes: The Disease

- It is a common chronic disorder
- There is chronic hyperglycaemia together with other metabolic abnormalities
- It is due to insulin resistance and/or deficiency as well as increased hepatic glucose output
- It is a risk factor for CVD
- Currently there is no known cure but the disease can be controlled enabling the person to lead a healthy and productive life
- The aim of management is directed at reducing complications (micro and macrovascular)

## Slide 2

## Prevalence of Diabetes in Malaysia (1986-2006)

	NHMS I (1986)	NHMS II (1996)	NHMS III (2006)	NHMS III (2006)
Age group	≥35 years	≥30 years	≥18 years	≥30 years
<b>Prevalence</b>	<b>6.3%</b>	<b>8.3%</b>	<b>11.6%</b>	<b>14.9%</b>
Known diabetes	4.5%	6.5%	7.0%	9.5%
Newly diagnosed	1.8%	1.8%	4.5%	5.4%
Impaired Glucose Tolerance * / Impaired Fasting Glucose **	4.8% *	4.3% *	4.2% **	4.7% **

In 2006, there is an estimated 1.5 million Malaysians age 18 years and above living with diabetes.

## Slide 2 - Notes

NHMS: National Health and Morbidity Survey

## Slide 3

## Prevalence of NCD Risk Factors in Malaysia (1996-2006)

	NHMS II (1996)	MANS (2003)	MyNCDS-1 (2005)	NHMS III (2006)
Age group	≥18 years	≥18 years	25-64 years	≥18 years
Smoking	24.8%	N.A.	25.5%	21.5%
Physically Inactive	88.4%	85.6%*	60.1%	43.7%
Unhealthy Diet	N.A.	N.A.	72.8	N.A.
Overweight (BMI ≥25 & <30 kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	16.6%	27.4%	30.9%	29.1%
Obesity (BMI ≥30 kg/m <sup>2</sup> )	4.4%	12.7%	16.3%	14.0%
Hypercholesterolaemia	N.A.	N.A.	53.5%	20.6%

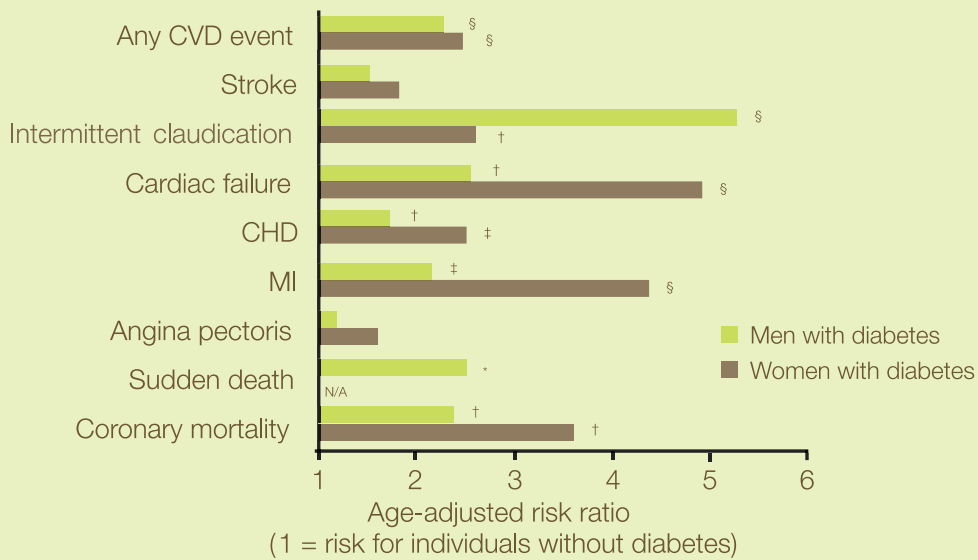
In 2006, there is an estimated 2.8 million Malaysians age 18 years and above are current smokers, 5.5 million physically inactive, 3.6 million overweight and 1.7 million Malaysians obese.

## Slide 3 - Notes

NHMS : National Health and Morbidity Survey  
 MANS : Malaysian Adult Nutrition Survey, 2003  
 MyNCDS : Malaysian Non-Communicable Diseases Risk Factor Survey, 2005

## Slide 4

## Type 2 diabetes increases CVD risk



\* $p < 0.1$ ; † $p < 0.05$ ; ‡ $p < 0.01$ ; § $p < 0.001$  Adapted from Kannel WB et al. *Am Heart J* 1990; 120: 672–6.

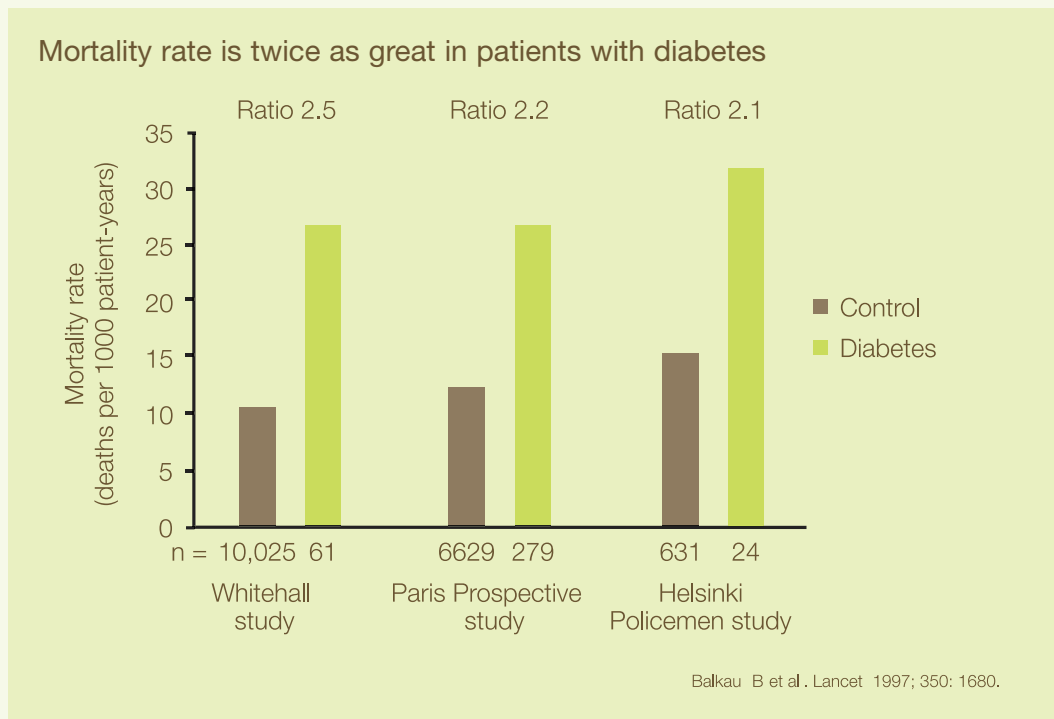
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People with type 2 diabetes have a higher risk of CVD events relative to people without diabetes.

- In the Framingham Heart Study, diabetes predisposed subjects to all of the major atherosclerotic diseases. CHD was the most common and most lethal.
- The chart shows the age-adjusted relative risk of CVD for diabetics versus non-diabetics (16 year follow-up after the tenth biennial examination of the Framingham Cohort Study). It is based on 554 men (46 with diabetes) and 760 women (43 with diabetes) who were free of CVD at examination.
- The risk for individuals without diabetes is represented by the line at a risk ratio of one. The risk of CVD is greater for those with diabetes compared with those without.

Kannel WB et al. *Am Heart J* 1990; 120: 672–6.

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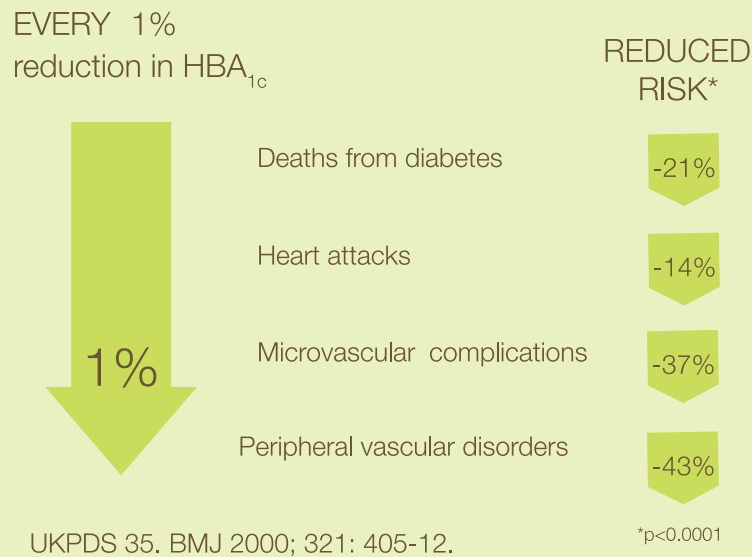
The mortality rate in men with diabetes is twice as great as that in patients without diabetes.

- The 20-year mortality of the men aged 44–55 years in the Whitehall, Paris Prospective and Helsinki Policemen studies was analysed.
- 75% of the deaths in the Helsinki study were from CVD, compared with 56% in Whitehall and 31% in France.
- In each study, the mortality rate from all causes was found to be twice as great in patients with diabetes.
- Diabetes was associated with an increased non-cardiovascular mortality in addition to excess cardiovascular mortality.

*Balkau B et al. Lancet 1997; 350: 1680.*

## Slide 6

## Better Control Equals Reduced Risk of Complications



## Slide 6 - Notes

## Better Control Equals Reduced Risk of Complications

- The UKPDS has proven beyond doubt that intensive glycaemic control is strongly associated with real clinical benefits for patients with type 2 diabetes.
- UKPDS 35 was a prospective observational study to determine the relation between exposure to hyperglycaemia over time and the risk of macrovascular or microvascular complications in patients with type 2 diabetes who were participants in the UKPDS.
- In this sub-analysis, 3642 white, Asian Indian and Afro-Caribbean patients had measured 3 months after their diabetes diagnosis. The sub-analysis included complete data for potential confounders.

Every 1% decrease in HbA<sub>1c</sub> was associated with clinically important reductions in the incidence of

- diabetes-related death (-21%)
- myocardial infarction (-14%)
- microvascular complications (-37%)
- peripheral vascular disease (-43%)

There is no lower limit beyond which reductions in HbA<sub>1c</sub> cease to be of benefit.

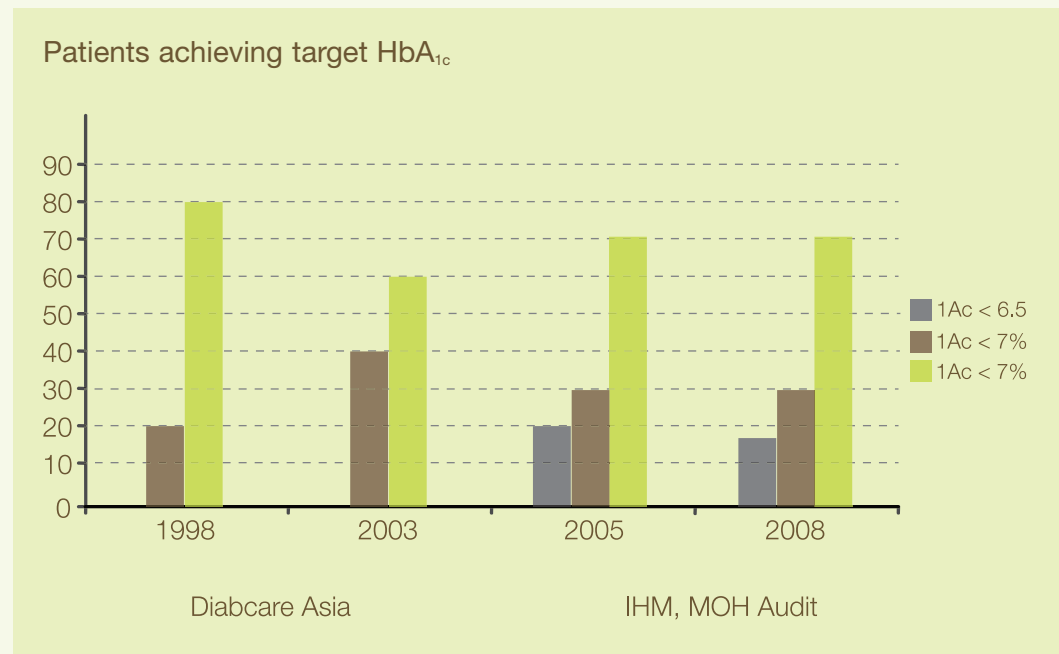
Taking diabetes-related death as an example, this means that:

- a reduction in HbA<sub>1c</sub> of 2% delivers a 42% reduction in risk
- a reduction in HbA<sub>1c</sub> of 3% delivers a 63% reduction in risk
- and so on.

Therefore, the greater the reduction in HbA<sub>1c</sub>, the greater the protection against complications.

*Stratton MI, Adler AI, Neil AW, Matthews DR, Manley SE, Cull CA, et al. Association of glycaemia with macrovascular and microvascular complications of type 2 diabetes (UKPDS 35): prospective observational study. BMJ 2000;321:405-12.*

## Slide 7



## Slide 7 - Notes

- Diabcare Asia : Outcomes on Control and Complications in Type 1 and Type 2 Diabetic Asian Patients
- IHM, MOH Audit : A Study on the Adequacy of Outpatient Management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus Cases in MOH Hospitals and Health Centres, IHM, MOH

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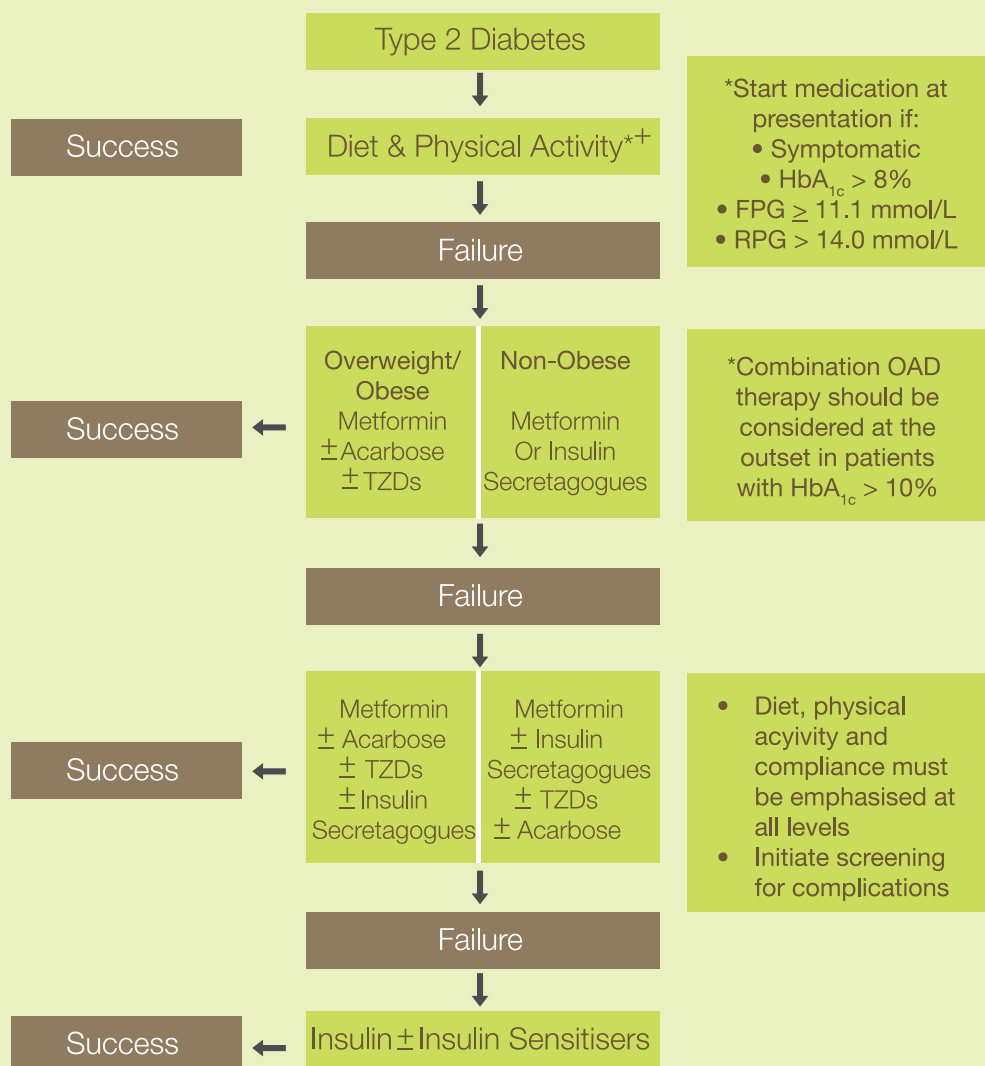
## Evidence that shaped our past guidelines and practice

- T2DM CPG 1996 – Pre-UKPDS
  - OAD monotherapy, Stepped care
  - SU, Metformin, Insulin
- Introduction of newer class of OADs (TZDs, Meglitinides, Alpha-glucosidase inhibitors)
- T2DM CPG 2003/4 – Post-UKPDS
  - Eventual monotherapy failure
  - Favoured Metformin for CV benefits
  - Addressed therapeutic inertia
  - Early combination therapy
  - However still “Stepped” approach

## Slide 9

## CPG T2DM 2004

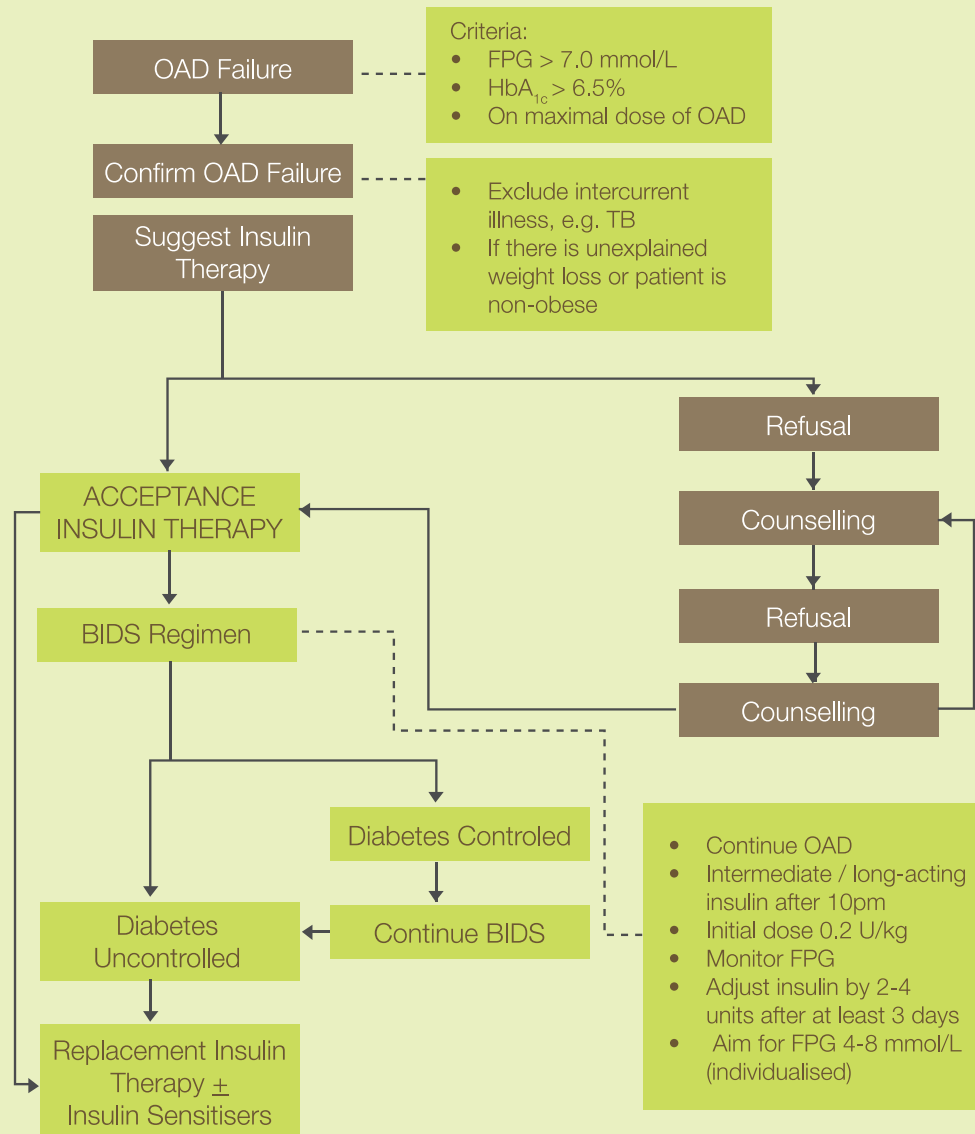
## Algorithm 4: Medication for Type 2 Diabetes



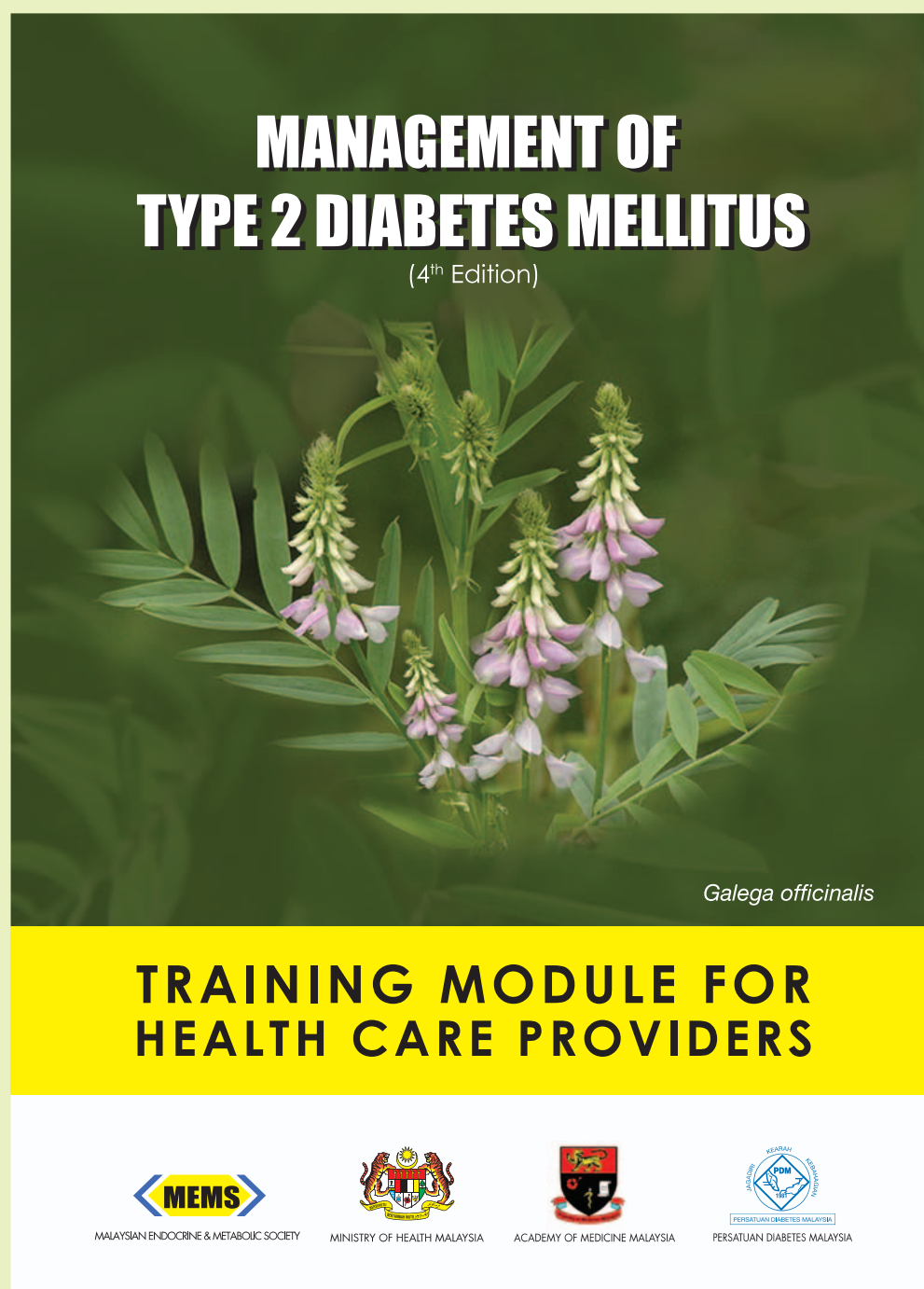


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Algorithm 5: Oral Anti-Diabetic Agents Failure And Subsequent Insulin Therapy



Slide 11



## Slide 12

### Preface

.....This edition is the Fourth in the series and was deemed necessary due to the tremendous body of new evidence that has become available in the last 4-5 years that has major impact on T2DM management including new targets for control, new classes of pharmacological agents targeting novel pathways as well as major outcome studies. All these have changed the algorithms for the management of T2DM. This new edition of the CPG will address many of these changes. In addition, the emphasis and recognition that a cluster of cardiovascular risk factors that make up the metabolic syndrome in which T2DM is the cornerstone of this syndrome is vital. As such, the management of T2DM required an integrated and holistic approach that also involves the management of hypertension, dyslipidaemia and overweight/obesity in order to reduce the risk of macrovascular complications. Furthermore, recent major outcome studies showed that early and aggressive reduction in blood glucose level to target decrease the risk of complications thereby reducing healthcare cost. ....

## Slide 13

### Table of Contents of CPG

- Section 1: Diabetes: The Disease
- Section 2: Screening and Diagnosis
- Section 3: Management for T2DM
- Section 4: Metabolic Syndrome
- Section 5: Management of Chronic Complications
- Section 6: Prevention of T2DM



**TOPIC 2**

# SCREENING & DIAGNOSIS

MANAGEMENT OF TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS  
(4<sup>th</sup> Edition)

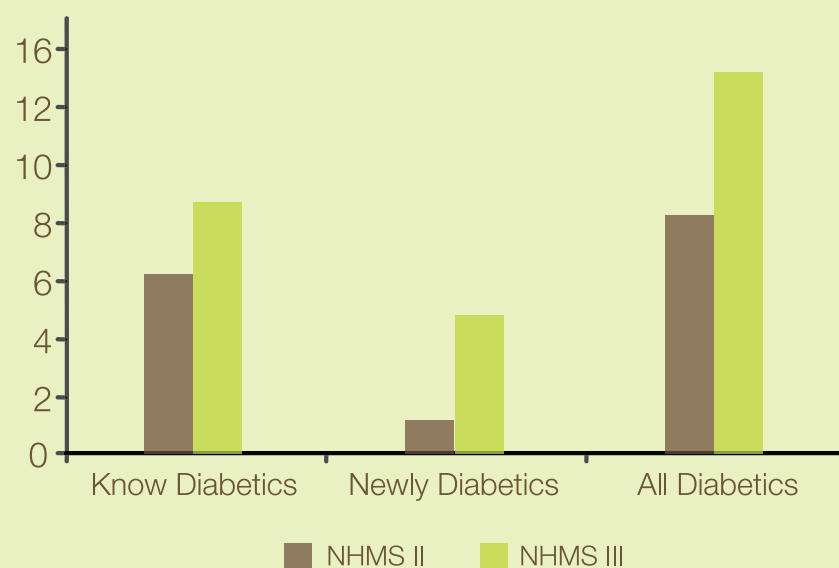
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## Slide 1

## Objective Of Presentation

- Why screen?
- Objective of screening
- Indications
- Screening methods
- Summary

## Slide 2

Prevalence of Diabetes among Malaysian Adults (Age >30 years),  
comparison NHMS II & III

## Slide 3

## Screening &amp; Diagnosis

## Objective

- To detect pre-diabetes and diabetes in specific high risk population groups and to ensure timely and appropriate management

## Strategy

- Screening for high risk group
- Selective screening according to criteria

## Slide 4

### Who should be screened?

#### Symptomatic

Any individual who has symptoms suggestive of DM (tiredness, lethargy, polyuria, polydipsia, polyphagia, weight loss, pruritis vulvae, balanitis) must be screened.

## Slide 5

### Who should be screened?:

#### Asymptomatic

Testing should be considered in all adults who are overweight [body mass index (BMI)  $> 23 \text{ kg/m}^2$  or waist circumference (WC)  $> 80 \text{ cm}$  for women &  $> 90 \text{ cm}$  for men] and have additional risk factors:

- Dyslipidaemia either high density lipoprotein (HDL) cholesterol  $< 0.9 \text{ mmol/L}$  or triglycerides (TG)  $> 1.7 \text{ mmol/L}$
- History of cardiovascular disease (CVD)
- Hypertension ( $\geq 140/90 \text{ mmHg}$  or on therapy for hypertension)
- Impaired Glucose Tolerance (IGT) or Impaired Fasting Glucose (IFG) on previous testing
- First-degree relative with diabetes
- Other clinical conditions associated with insulin resistance (e.g., severe obesity and acanthosis nigricans)
- Physical inactivity
- Women with polycystic ovarian syndrome (PCOS)
- Women with history of gestational diabetes should be screened for diabetes annually.

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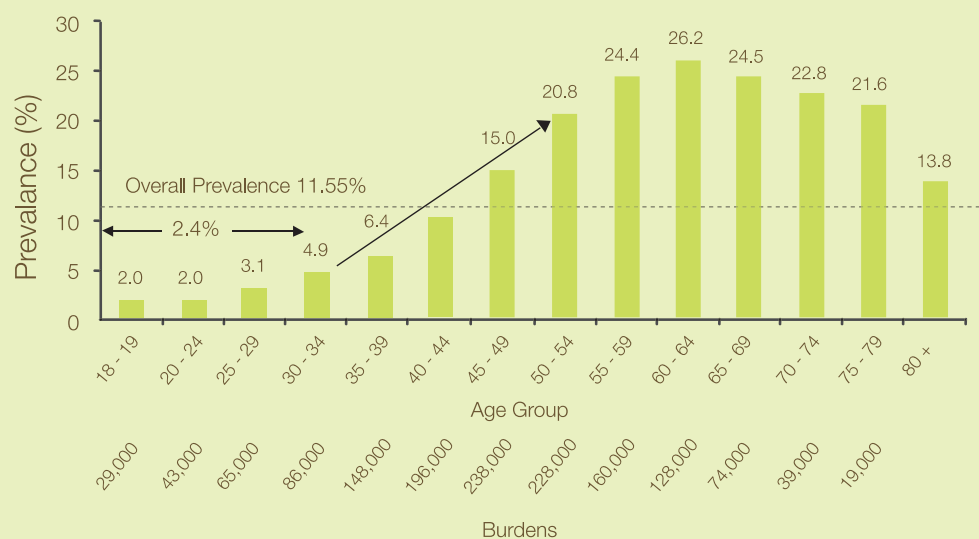
### Who should be screened?

#### Asymptomatic

- Screening should begin at age  $\geq 30$  years.

## Slide 7

## Prevalence of All Diabetic by Age Group



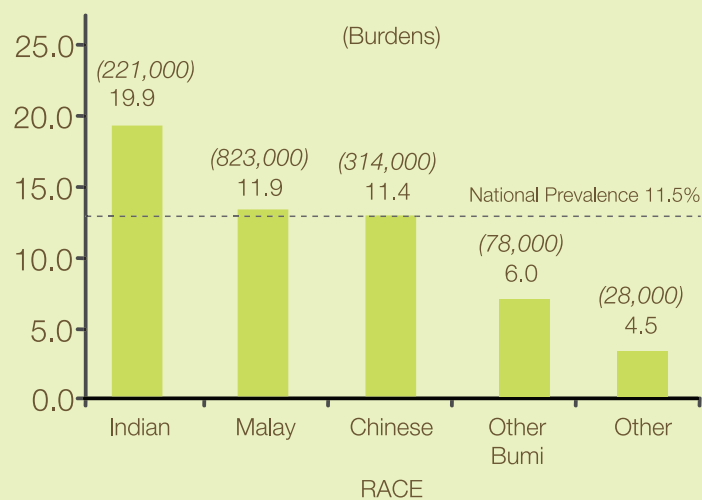
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## Screening: Children and Adolescent

- Children and adolescents who are overweight (BMI >85<sup>th</sup> percentile for age and sex, or weight > 120% of ideal) and have any two of the following risk factors should be screened for pre-diabetes and diabetes.
- Family history of T2DM in first- or second- degree relative
- Maternal history of GDM
- Ethnicity (those of Indian ethnic background are at higher risks of developing T2DM)
- Signs of insulin resistance or conditions associated with insulin resistance (acanthosis nigricans, hypertension, dyslipidaemia, PCOS)



## Slide 9

Prevalence of Diabetes by Race, Aged  $\geq 18$  yrs

## Slide 10

## Screening Schedule

- Screening should be done annually for adults.
- In children and adolescents, screen every two years starting at the age of 10 years old or at onset of puberty if puberty occurs at a younger age.

## Slide 11

## Screening: Pregnant Women

Pregnant women should be screened if they have any of the following risk factors:

- BMI  $> 27 \text{ kg/m}^2$
- Previous macrosomic baby weighing 4 kg or above
- Previous gestational diabetes mellitus (GDM)
- First-degree relative with diabetes
- Bad obstetric history
- Glycosuria at the first prenatal visit
- Current obstetric problems (essential hypertension, pregnancy induced hypertension, polyhydramnios and current use of steroids)
- Age above 25 years

## Slide 12

## Screening: Pregnant Women

- Screening is done using the 75 g OGTT and performed at least once at > 24 weeks of gestation.
- Screening at an earlier stage of gestation depends on the degree of suspicion and at the physician's / obstetrician's request

## Slide 13

## Values for Diagnosis

	Fasting	Random
Venous Plasma Glucose	$\geq 7.0$ mmol/L	$\geq 11.1$ mmol/L

- In the symptomatic individual, one abnormal glucose value is diagnostic
- In the asymptomatic individual, 2 abnormal glucose values are required

## Slide 14

## Diagnostic Values - OGTT

OGTT Plasma Glucose Values (mmol/L)		
Category	0-hour	2-hour
Normal	$\leq 6.1$	$< 7.8$
IFG	6.2 – 6.9	-
IGT	-	7.8 – 11.0
DM	$\geq 7.0$	$\geq 11.1$

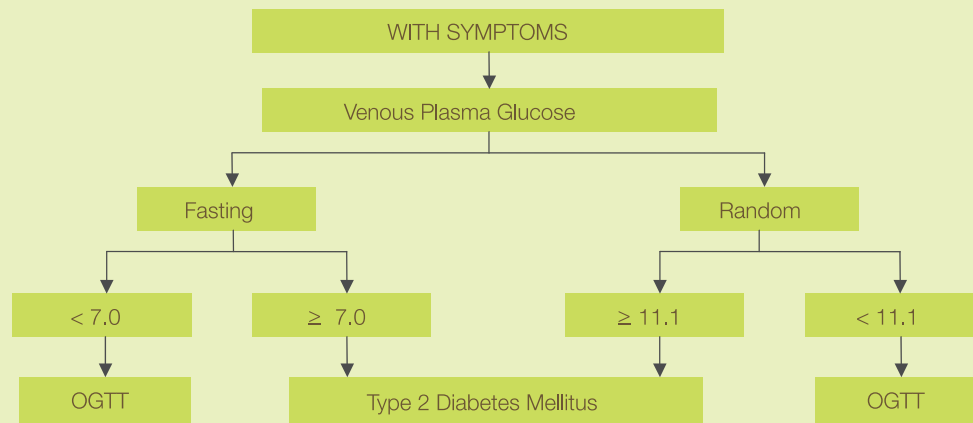
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## Screening Test

- Screening can be done by measuring random blood glucose (capillary blood), using glucose meters and strips.
- In children and adolescents, follow the same screening procedure.

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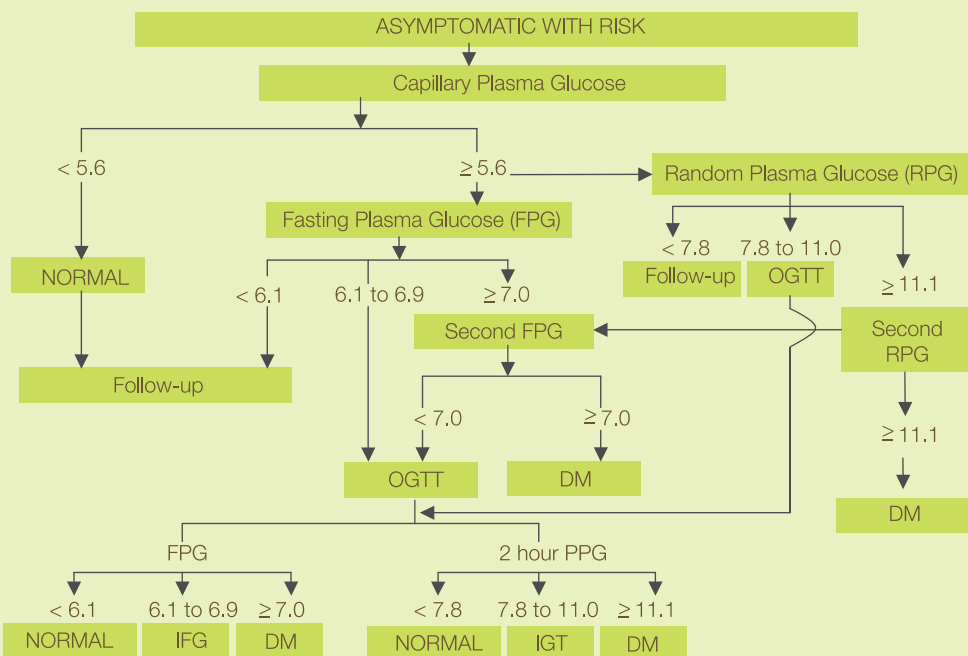
## Algorithm: Screening for T2DM at Primary Care Level – With Symptoms



• All values in mmol/L

## Slide 17

## Algorithm: Screening for T2DM at Primary Care Level – Without Symptoms



• All values in mmol/L

## Slide 18

## Summary

- Screening for diabetes should be performed annually in those with risk factors and those  $\geq 30$  years.
- In children and adolescents at risk of developing diabetes, screening should be initiated at 10 years old or at onset of puberty if puberty occurs at a younger age. Screening is performed every two years.
- More frequent and/or earlier testing with either a FPG or 2-hour plasma glucose in a 75 g OGTT should be considered in people with additional risk factors for diabetes.
- Testing with a 75 g OGTT should be considered in individuals with an FPG of  $\geq 6.1$  to 6.9 mmol/L in order to identify individuals with IGT or diabetes. A glucose load of 1.75 g/kg body weight (max. 75 g) is used for children and adolescents.
- ALL newly diagnosed T2DM need to be reviewed by a medical doctor in which screening for other cardiovascular risk need to be done or planned.

# Case Study: Screening & Diagnosis

## Management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus (4<sup>th</sup> Edition)

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#### Slide 1

##### Introduction

- Mr. K.Y., 51 y.o. Malay man who presents for a routine evaluation
- No known medical problem till his 44<sup>th</sup> birthday – Started to gain weight about 2 to 3 kg/year.
- Sedentary lifestyle at work (bank officer)
- Current weight: 75 kg
- Current height: 165 cm
- Waist circumference: 100 cm

#### Slide 2

##### Questions

- Is he at high risk?
- What is his BMI?
- What are his risk factors?

#### Slide 2 - Notes

##### Key Points

- His risk factors
  - Age over 30 years
  - BMI = 27.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup> - obese
  - WC > 90 (for men) – central obesity
  - Sedentary lifestyle
- Combination of several NCD risk factors - he is at high risk.

## Slide 3

## Lab Results

- Fasting plasma glucose: 8.1 mmol/L
- HbA<sub>1c</sub>: 6.6%
- Total cholesterol: 7.4 mmol/L
- LDL-C: 3.9 mmol/L
- HDL-C: 0.9 mmol/L
- Triglycerides: 2.9 mmol/L
- Creatinine: 63 µmol/L

## Slide 4

## Questions

- Comment on his lab results.

## Slide 4 - Notes

## Key Points

- Elevated fasting glucose, HbA<sub>1c</sub>, total cholesterol, LDL cholesterol and triglycerides, and low HDL cholesterol.
- His creatinine levels are in the normal range.

## Slide 5

## Review of Medical Notes

- You notice that 3 years ago, Mr. K.Y.'s fasting plasma glucose level was measured prior to a minor procedure was 6.4 mmol/L

## Slide 5 - Notes

## Key Point

- A review of Mr. K.Y.'s chart indicates that his fasting plasma glucose level was already elevated 18 months ago.

## Slide 6

### Question

- Should Mr. K.Y. have been screened for diabetes/pre-diabetes even prior to the procedure lab testing?
- Why, or why not?

### Slide 6 - Notes

#### Question

- Ask the participants if they believe Mr. K.Y. should have been screened for diabetes or pre-diabetes even prior to his pre-operative assessment 3 years ago, and to elaborate on their answers.
- Ask if their answers are age-dependent.

#### Key Points

- These questions are meant to encourage participants to talk about their own clinical practices.
- At this point the participants should already have some idea on indication for screening in asymptomatic subjects.
- The CPG recommendation on screening should now be discussed.

## Slide 7

### Question

- Should you be concerned about Mr. K.Y.'s cardiovascular risk?

### Slide 7 - Notes

#### Question

- Ask the participants if they are concerned about Mr. K.Y.'s CVD risk.

#### Key Points

- This question is meant to encourage participants to talk about their own clinical practices.
- At this point participants should not only be concerned on hyperglycemia but also other CVD risk present in this patient.

## Slide 8

## Question

- Based on evidence, what interventions should have been recommended 3 years ago to prevent the onset of diabetes?

## Slide 8 - Notes

## Key Points

- Life-style interventions
- Pharmacological
- Need to determine the presence of other NCD risk factors

## Slide 9

## Question

- Would you run any additional tests for Mr. K.Y. or do you feel you have enough to make a diagnosis?

## Slide 9 - Notes

## Questions

- Ask the participants if they would run additional tests for Mr. K.Y. or if they feel they have enough information to make a diagnosis.
- RECALL: Mr. K.Y.'s fasting plasma glucose is 8.1 mmol/l his HbA<sub>1c</sub> is 6.6% and he is asymptomatic.

## Key Points

- The CPG recommendations on diagnosis of diabetes should be reviewed.



## Slide 10

### First Line Treatment

- You recommend....  
Follow-up scheduled in 3 months

### Slide 10 - Notes

#### Question

- Ask the participants what would their recommendations be for first line treatment.

#### Key Points

- You recommend that Mr. K.Y. increase his level of physical activity and begin a weight loss diet.
- You also begin metformin treatment.
- Follow-up is scheduled for 3 months from now.

## Slide 11

### Three Months Later...

- Mr. K.Y.'s HbA<sub>1c</sub> has increased further to 7.9%.
- What second-line agent would you recommend at this time?

### Slide 11 - Notes

#### Key Point

- This topic (Management of T2DM) has not been discussed yet, this question is just to stimulate discussions for the next topic to be presented.



**TOPIC 3**

# PREVENTION OF DIABETES

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## Slide 1

## Scientific Evidence

- There is evidence that interventions can reduce the conversion of IFG/IGT to frank T2DM
  - Da Qing IGT & Diabetes Study (China)
  - Diabetes Prevention Study (Finland)
  - Diabetes Prevention Program (USA)
  - STOP NIDDM (Europe, Canada)
  - Troglitazone in the Prevention of Diabetes / TRIPOD (USA)

## Slide 2

## Scientific Evidence (cont.)

Study	Reduction in Risk (%)	
	Lifestyle	Drug
Da Qing	31-46	-
DPS	58	-
DPP	58	31
Stop NIDDM	-	25
TRIPOD	-	55

## Slide 3

## Intervention

- Diet and physical activity are the mainstay of therapy.
- Weight loss remains a priority in prevention of T2DM
- In addition, Metformin should be considered:
  - Those at very high risk (combined IFG & IGT, plus other risk factors)
  - Fail lifestyle therapy after 6 months

## Slide 4

### Intervention (cont.)

- Other pharmacological agents than can be used:
  - Acarbose
  - Orlistat
  - Rosiglitazone
- All the above drugs – off label use
- Use of other agents (ACE-Is, ARBs and statins are not recommended solely for the purpose of primary prevention.)

## Slide 5

### Individual at risk

Those at risk include those with IGT or IFG but also those with:

- Family history of diabetes (1<sup>st</sup> degree relatives)
- GDM
- Hypertension
- Vascular disease
- Dyslipidaemia
- Obesity/overweight with central obesity
- PCOS

## Slide 6

### Summary

- In individuals with IGT, a structured program of lifestyle modification that includes moderate weight loss and regular physical activity has been shown to reduce the risk of T2DM.



**TOPIC 4**

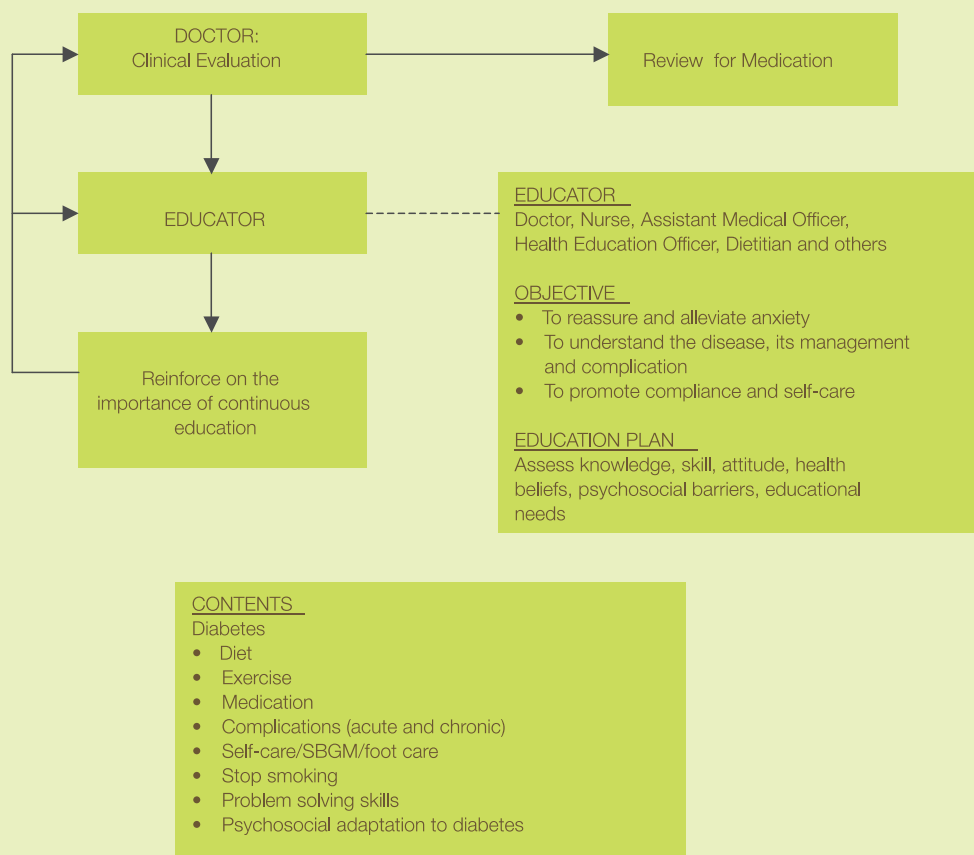
# MEDICAL NUTRITION THERAPY

MANAGEMENT OF TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS  
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## Slide 1

## Diabetes Education



## Slide 2

## Medical Nutrition Therapy

- Medical nutrition therapy (MNT) is important in preventing diabetes, managing existing diabetes, and delaying complications.
- Proper diet is crucial at any stage of management of diabetes including those on medication
- The goals of MNT together with medication are:
  - to attain and maintain blood glucose
  - blood pressure and
  - lipid profile as close to normal as safely as possible.
- These goals can be achieved through healthy food choices



## Slide 3

### Medical Nutrition Therapy : General recommendations

1. Nutrition counselling by a dietician is recommended
2. Dietary counselling should be individualised according to:
  - Nutritional needs
  - Severity of disease
  - Cultural preferences and
  - Willingness to change

## Slide 4

### MNT: Prevention of Diabetes

1. Weight loss of 5 to 10% of initial body weight over a 6 month period is recommended for all overweight or obese individuals who have or are at risk for diabetes. This can be achieved by:
  - a reduced calorie diet (20-25 kcal/kg body weight)
  - increasing physical activity (at least 150 mins/week), and
  - behavioural modification
2. A balanced diet consisting of 50-60% energy from carbohydrate, 15-20% energy from protein and 25-30% energy from fats are encouraged.
3. A high fibre diet (20-30 g fibre/day or 5-7 servings/day) consisting of vegetables, fruits, legumes and whole grain cereals is encouraged.

## Slide 5

### MNT: Management of Diabetes

1. Regular meals and synchronised with medication time actions
2. Monitor the total daily carbohydrate intake (by carbohydrate exchange) to achieve glycaemic control
3. Choose Low Glycemic Index foods while keeping to the calories and carbohydrate prescription. There are limited databases on the GI and load of local foods
4. Sucrose (e.g. table sugar) intake must be counted as part of the total carbohydrate intake. Excess sucrose intake contributes to calories and may cause weight gain. Artificial sweeteners (aspartame, acesulfane K) are allowed

## Slide 6

## MNT: Management of Diabetes (cont.)

5. Limit intake of saturated fatty acids, trans fatty acids, and cholesterol to reduce risk of CVD
6. Reduced sodium intake a diet high with in fruits, vegetables, and low-fat dairy products lowers blood pressure
7. There is no clear evidence of benefit from the use of antioxidant vitamins A,C,E, selenium and herbs in diabetes management.

## Slide 7

## CHO Foods to monitor via exchange/count

- Rice, bread, cereals, flour
- Starchy vegetables
- Legumes & pulses
- Fruits
- Milk & milk products
- Sugars, sweets, cakes, *kuihs*

1 CHO exchange = 15 g CHO, 75 kcal, Foods with fewer than 20 calories and 5 grams of carbohydrate are considered “free.” ( Appendix 1 of Diabetes CPG)

## Slide 8

## 1 CHO exchange = 15 g CHO, 75 kcal

- Rice (cooked) 50 g Household measure: 1/2 cup
- Rice Porridge Household measure: 1 cup
- Noodle (wet) 30 g Household measure: 1/3 cup
- Rice Noodle (Kuih-teow) 50 g Household measure: 1/2 cup
- Pasta Household measure: 1/3 cup
- Cornflakes Household measure: 3/4 cup
- Cream Crackers Biscuit 20 g Household measure: 3 pieces
- White Bread 30 g Household measure: 1 slice
- Putu Mayam 45 g Household measure: 1 piece

## Slide 9

1 CHO exchange = 15 g CHO, 75 kcal

- Chickpea (uncooked) 25 g Household measure: 1/4 cup
- Dhal (yellow) (uncooked) 25 g Household measure: 1/4 cup
- Tubers : 1/4 - 1/2 piece Potato : 1 medium
- Baked Bean (Canned) 95 g Household measure: 1/2 cup

## Slide 10

1 CHO exchange = 15 g CHO, 60 kcal

- Apple (red) 160 g household measure: 1 whole, medium
- Banana (Pisang Mas) 65 g household measure: 1 small
- Green Apple 165 g household measure: 1 whole, big
- Carambola /Star-fruit 300 g household measure: 1 medium
- Guava 150 g household measure: 1/2 whole, big (without skin/seeds)
- Mango 105 g household measure: 1 small

## Slide 11

1 CHO exchange = 10-15 g CHO, 90-150 kcal

### Milk & dairy products

- Milk powder 30 g Household measure: 4 rounded dessertspoon
- Milk (low fat/skim/full cream) Household measure: 1 glass (240 ml)
- Yogurt plain 150 g household measure: 3/4 cup
- Evaporated milk household measure: 1/2 cup (120 ml)

## Slide 12

1 CHO exchange = 15 g CHO, 65 kcal

Sugars/syrups/sweets

- Honey : 1 tablespoon (21 g)
- Kaya : 3 tbsp (30 g)
- Jam : 1 tablespoon (21 g)
- Sweets : 1-2 pieces
- Sugar (brown) : 3 1/2 tsp (18 g)
- Sugar (white) : 3 tsp (15 g)
- Rose syrup : 3 1/2 tsp (18 g)
- Condensed milk : 2 tablespoon (30 g)
- Cocoa/malt-based powder : 1 1/2 tablespoon

## Slide 13

Glycaemic Index (GI)

What is it?

- The glycaemic index of food is a ranking of foods based on their immediate effect on blood glucose (blood sugar) levels.
- Carbohydrate foods that breakdown quickly during digestion have the highest glycaemic indexes.
- Their blood sugar response is fast and high. Carbohydrates that breakdown slowly, releasing glucose gradually into the blood stream, have low glycaemic indexes.

## Slide 14

What is the significance of Glycemic Index?

- Low GI means a smaller rise in blood sugar and can help control established diabetes.
- Low GI diets can help people lose weight and lower blood lipids.
- Low GI diets can improve the body's sensitivity to insulin.
- High GI foods can help re-fuel carbohydrate stores after exercise.

## Slide 15

### GI in Diabetes

- GI may be used to guide food choices while keeping to the calories and carbohydrate prescription but it is not recommended as the primary strategy in meal planning.
- Foods with a high glycaemic index are associated with greater increases in blood sugar than are foods with a low glycaemic index.
- But low-index foods aren't necessarily healthier. Foods that are high in fat tend to have lower glycemic index values than do some healthier options.

## Slide 16

### High GI

- |              |                    |               |
|--------------|--------------------|---------------|
| • Potato     | • Riped banana     | • White bread |
| • White rice | • Breakfast cereal | • Sport drink |
| • Kurma      | • Raisin           | • Jelly       |

### Moderate GI

- |                          |                    |              |
|--------------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| • Basmati rice & brown   | • Fried rice       | • Meehoon    |
| • Nasi lemak, roti canai | • Whole meal bread | • Jam, honey |
| • Banana half riped      | • Pineapple, mango |              |

### Low GI

- |                                    |                     |               |
|------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| • Apple, pear, peach               | • Honey dew, plum   | • Vegetables  |
| • Soya, lentil, pea                | • Oat, bran, muesli | • Baked beans |
| • Citrus (orange, mandarin, lemon) |                     |               |

## Slide 16

### Summary

#### Diabetes Diet

- Timing of meals
- Food portions
- Choice and distribution of carbohydrates

# Case Study: Medical Nutrition Therapy

Management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus  
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## Slide 1

### Introduction

- Mr C is a 30 y.o. man who works as finance manager
- Family history of diabetes: mother & 1 sibling
- Seen by GP: Metformin prescribed
- Investigations:
  - BP 130/90
  - Fasting blood glucose 7.8 mmol/l
  - Total chol 5.9 mmol/L; HDL chol 1.77; LDL chol 4.0; Triglycerides 1.5
  - BMI 28.7, weight 85 kg, height 1.72 m
  - Waist 105 cm

## Slide 2

### Lifestyle Behaviour

- Exercise
  - None, don't intend to start because no time.
- Food habits; Have been:
  - Avoiding egg yolks and seafood for past 1 month.
  - Increasing vegetables intake past 1 month.
  - Reducing sweet foods and sugars in drinks past 1 month.
  - Claims to have regular meal timings

## Slide 3

## Diet History

	Food	Remarks
Breakfast 7 am	Raw oats 6 tbsp + condensed milk 2 tbsp + Milo 3-in-1, 1 packet	Tries to eat oats most days for 6 months now
10 am	Tomyam soup noodles 1 medium bowl OR Fried noodles with gravy 1 large plate	Weekends, eats out with family
Lunch	Skips if he eats breakfast late	
Afternoon 2 pm	Rice 1 Chinese bowl Chicken/ beef dishes 1 palm size Vegetables 1 small bowl Chinese tea	
Dinner 8 pm	Rice 1 bowl Vegetables 2 cups	Wife cooks vegetables only for him at home
Supper 11 pm	Milo 3-in-1, 1 packet OR Oats + condensed milk 1 bowl	Sometimes if hungry

Total calories : 2,000 kcal/day

Total carbohydrate : 300 g/day, 60-65% energy, 18-20 exchanges CHO

## Slide 4

## Questions

- Interpret the BMI and waist circumference of this patient.
- How would you interpret his other lab investigation results and his lifestyle habits?

## Slide 4 - Notes

## Key Points

- Mr. C is obese + has central obesity
- Also has dyslipidaemia
- Sedentary lifestyle

## Slide 5

## Questions

- Based on the diet recall, identify the food choices and practices which are detrimental to his medical conditions.

## Slide 5 - Notes

## Key Points

- Show the participants slide number 4 for discussion.
- Slide number 6 contains the answers.

## Slide 6

## Diet History

	Food	Remarks
Breakfast 7 am	Raw oats 6 tbsp + condensed milk 2 tbsp + Milo 3-in-1, 1 packet	Tries to eat oats most days for 6 mths now
10 am  Meal Skipping	Tomyam soup noodles 1 medium bowl OR Fried noodles with gravy 1 large plate	Weekends, eats out with family
Lunch	Skips if he eats breakfast late	
Afternoon 2 pm  No Protein Source	Rice 1 Chinese bowl Chicken/ beef dishes 1 palm size Vegetables 1 small bowl Chinese tea	CHO Intake: Big Potion Size, Refined CHO, Low Fiber
Dinner 8 pm	Rice 1 bowl Vegetables 2 cups	Supper With Refined CHO Wife cooks vegetables only for him at home
Supper 11 pm	Milo 3-in-1, 1 packet OR Oats + condensed milk 1 bowl	Sometimes if hungry

Total calories : approx. 2,000 kcal/day. Total carbohydrate intake: High. (300 g/day 60-65% energy, 18-20 exchanges CHO)



## Slide 7

### Questions

- What kind of diet would you recommend to this patient?
- Suggest some suitable food choices and practices he can adopt.

### Slide 7 - Notes

#### Key Points

- Slide number 8 & 9 contains the answers

## Slide 8

### Diet Advice

- Weight loss: 4 kg in 3 months. Calories: 1,500 kcal/day
- Regular meals : no skipping lunch : 3 main meals + 1 snack
- Count carbohydrate intake: distribute evenly into meals.
  - eat rice at lunch, not afternoon tea
  - smaller servings of rice & noodles
  - use brown rice to add fiber
- Balanced diet
  - add protein in dinner
  - add low GI fruits
- Reduce sugars/refined CHO :
  - switch condensed milk to low fat milk + oats
  - No 3-in-1 drinks: use plain powder
  - Use artificial sweetener
- Low fat dishes & low saturated fat foods : eat more fish & poultry, less fried foods

Exchanges	Cereals	Fruit	Fish/ Poultry	Milk	Fat
Breakfast	2	1	1	-	1
Mid-morning		1			
Lunch	3	1	2		2
Afternoon snack	1			-	
Dinner	3	1	2		2

1,500 kcal/day 55% en carbs, <30% en fat, 10-15% en protein. Total carb exchanges = 14 exchanges/day

## Slide 9

## Diet Modification

	Food	Remarks
Breakfast 7 am	Raw oats 6 tbsp/ 1/4 cup + low fat milk 1/2 glass	Oats + low fat milk is low GI food
10 am	Fruit : guava/ apple	Low GI fruits
Lunch 12 pm	Rice 1 cup / 3 scoops level Chicken/ fish dishes 1 palm size (low fat) Vegetables 2 servings (1 bowl) Papaya /pineapple 1 slice Chinese tea	Low fat cooking method Add vegetables Add low GI fruit
Afternoon snack 4 pm	Unsweetened wholemeal biscuits 2 pieces Tea + low fat milk + artificial sweetener	Sometimes only if hungry
Dinner 7 pm	Rice 1 cup / 3 scoops level Fish/ chicken 1 palm size (low fat) Vegetables 2 cups Orange 1 medium Plain water	Mix with brown rice to increase fiber content Add vegetables

## Slide 10

## Questions

- What other lifestyle changes can he make?

## Slide 4 - Notes

## Key Points

- Increase physical activity or exercise

## Slide 11

## Physical Activity

- Make time for exercise: late evenings/after work, weekends
- Brisk walking 20 minutes most days of the week, gradually build up to 30-45 minutes
- Increase daily activities: use stairs, wash car, help in housework, wear pedometer to monitor increasing steps taken/day (aim 10,000 steps/day)

**TOPIC 5**

PHYSICAL  
ACTIVITY

MANAGEMENT OF TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS  
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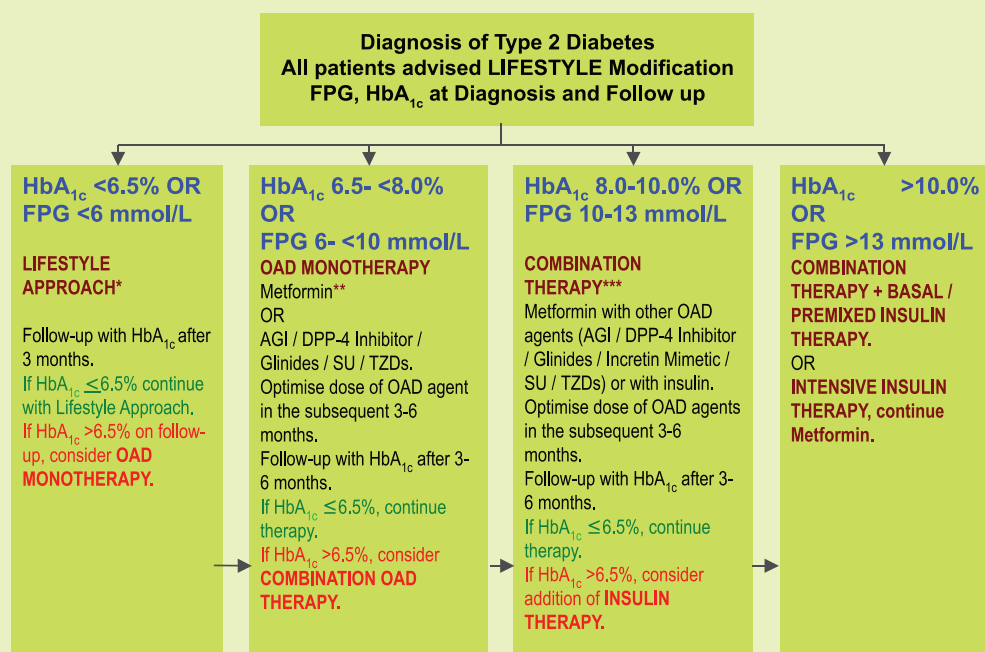
## Slide 1

## Physical Activity

- Increased physical activity can improve glycaemic control, assist with weight maintenance and reduce risk of CVD.
- Before beginning a program more vigorous than brisk walking:
  - Assess for complications (CVD, retinopathy, neuropathy and foot injury)
  - Patient's age and previous physical activity level should be considered

## Slide 2

## Treatment Algorithm for the Management of T2DM



## Slide 2 - Notes

If symptomatic (weight loss, polyuria, etc) at any HbA<sub>1c</sub> and FPG level, consider insulin therapy.

\* Consider metformin/AGI/other insulin sensitiser in appropriate patients.

\*\* Metformin is preferred 1<sup>st</sup> line agent, and SU should preferably not be used as 1<sup>st</sup> line.

\*\*\* Although 3 oral agents can be used, initiation and intensification of insulin therapy is preferred based on effectiveness and expense.

## Slide 3

## Targets for Control

	Levels
<b>Glycaemic Control *</b>	
Fasting	4.4 – 6.1 mmol/l
Non-fasting	4.4 – 8.0 mmol/l
HbA <sub>1c</sub>	< 6.5 %
<b>Lipids</b>	
Triglycerides	≤ 1.7 mmol/l
HDL cholesterol	≥ 1.1 mmol/l
LDL cholesterol	≤ 2.6 mmol/l <sup>#</sup>
Exercise	150 mins / week
<b>Blood Pressure</b>	
Normal Renal Function	≤ 130/80 mmHg <sup>§</sup>
Renal Impairment /Gross Proteinuria	≤ 120/75 mmHg

## Slide 3 - Notes

- \* Glycaemic target should be individualised to minimise risk of hypoglycaemia.  
 # In Individuals with overt CVD, LDL cholesterol target is <1.8 mmol/L.  
 § In children and adolescents, blood pressure should be <95<sup>th</sup> percentile for age and sex.

## Slide 3

## General Recommendations

- Individuals should exercise 5 days a week, preferably most days of the week and with no more than 2 consecutive days without physical activity.
- Brisk walking is recommended for all.
- The duration of exercise should be at least 150 min/week of moderate-intensity aerobic physical activity and/or at least 90 min/week of vigorous aerobic.
- Overweight and obese individuals should gradually increase physical activity to 60-90 minutes/day for long term major weight loss.
- Any increase in daily energy expenditure is beneficial.
- In order to prevent hypoglycaemia, medication doses can be reduced or extra carbohydrate can be consumed before or during physical activity.

# Case Study: Physical Activity

## Management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus

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#### Slide 1

##### Introduction

- Mr. G, 45 y.o. Malay man
- Diagnosed with T2DM three years ago
- His father died of heart attack at age 45 and his younger brother also has diabetes
- Height 165 cm, weighs 80 kg
- Currently on T. Metformin 500 mg BD and T. Gliclazide 80 mg daily

#### Slide 2

- As a businessman who deals direct with clients, he spends a great deal of time on travelling in which his diet fluctuates according to the spends place where he goes.
- He takes 1-2 carbonated drinks at a time. He can't give up carbonated drink when he has business dinner or lunch.
- He hardly exercises and his excuse is 'no time' to think about it.

#### Slide 3

##### Question

- Explain how you are going to manage this patient.

#### Slide 3 - Notes

##### Key Points

- Take complete relevant history.
- Perform relevant physical examination.
- Assess blood glucose control.
- Assess target organ complications and CVD risk assessment.
- Assess knowledge on diabetes, particularly on patient's knowledge on benefit of exercise and how to initiate exercise program.
- Assess readiness for exercise.

## Slide 4

### Question

- How do you start him on exercise program?
- How do you prescribe the exercise program for him?

### Slide 4 - Notes

#### Key Points: Before Initiating an Exercise Program

- Exercise is an important component in the management of type 2 diabetes. It has been shown to substantially improve metabolic control and to promote weight loss.
- Before initiating an exercise program, each patient should be evaluated to ensure the patient's safety. The level of glycemic control should be determined and the patient's cardiovascular status evaluated on an individual basis, depending on the patient and level of exercise.
- Assessments for neuropathy, retinopathy, and nephropathy also should be performed.
- The exercise prescription itself should be designed to accommodate the clinical status of the patient and specify the type and intensity of activity as well as duration and frequency. High-intensity or strenuous activity should be discouraged in patients with nephropathy unless blood pressure is closely monitored during the activity.

#### Exercise Prescription

- Step 1: Patient Evaluation  
Physical Examination and Medical History  
Stress Test (if necessary)
- Step 2: Goal Setting  
Weight Loss  
Glucose levels  
Target exercise heart rate  
Caloric expenditure  
Lipid level  
Blood Pressure
- Step 3: Determination of appropriate exercise parameters for patient  
Duration - how long are you going to exercise  
Mode - type of exercise  
Frequency - how often is the exercise  
Intensity - how easy/hard the exercise  
Timing - when are you going to exercise
- Step 4: Determination of necessary exercise precautions

## Slide 5

## Question

- How do you ensure that he sustains the exercise?
- What do you think the most challenging aspect of initiating and sustaining an exercise program?

*Slide 5 - Notes*

## Key Points

- Patients must well be educated and motivated in order to stick to the exercise regimen.
- How do we do that? (encourage discussion; there's no right or wrong answers)
- Hints:
  - Choose activities that you like
  - Small changes – physical activity becomes part of your daily routine
  - Check with medical professionals if you develop sudden pain, shortness of breath or ill feeling
  - Exercise with a group
  - Be realistic

## Slide 6

## Question

- How do you measure effectiveness?

*Slide 6 - Notes*

## Key Points

- Body weight
- Diabetes control
- BP control
- Sense of well being/Quality of life



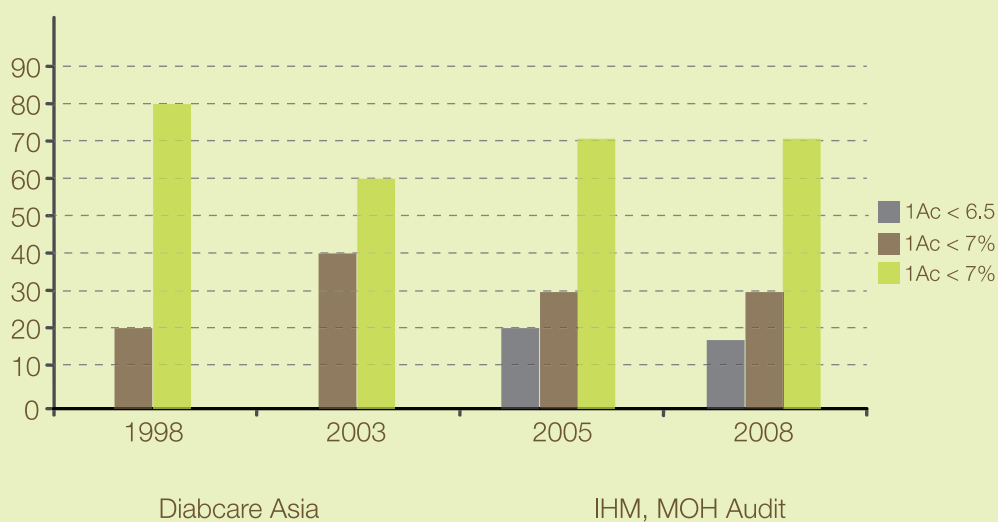
**TOPIC 6**

# ORAL ANTI-DIABETIC AGENTS

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## Slide 1

Patients achieving target HbA<sub>1c</sub>

## Slide 1 - Notes

- Diabcare Asia : Outcomes on Control and Complications in Type 1 and Type 2 Diabetic Asian Patients
- IHM, MOH Audit : A Study on the Adequacy of Outpatient Management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus Cases in MOH Hospitals and Health Centres, IHM, MOH

## Slide 2

MOH Audit 2005: Medications prescribed

Medication	n	%
TLC only	50	1.4
Biguanides	2,379	67.8
Sulphonylureas	2,507	71.5
Acarbose	201	5.7
Metiglinides	11	0.3
Glitazones (TZD)	20	0.6
Insulin	467	13.3

IHM, MOH 2005

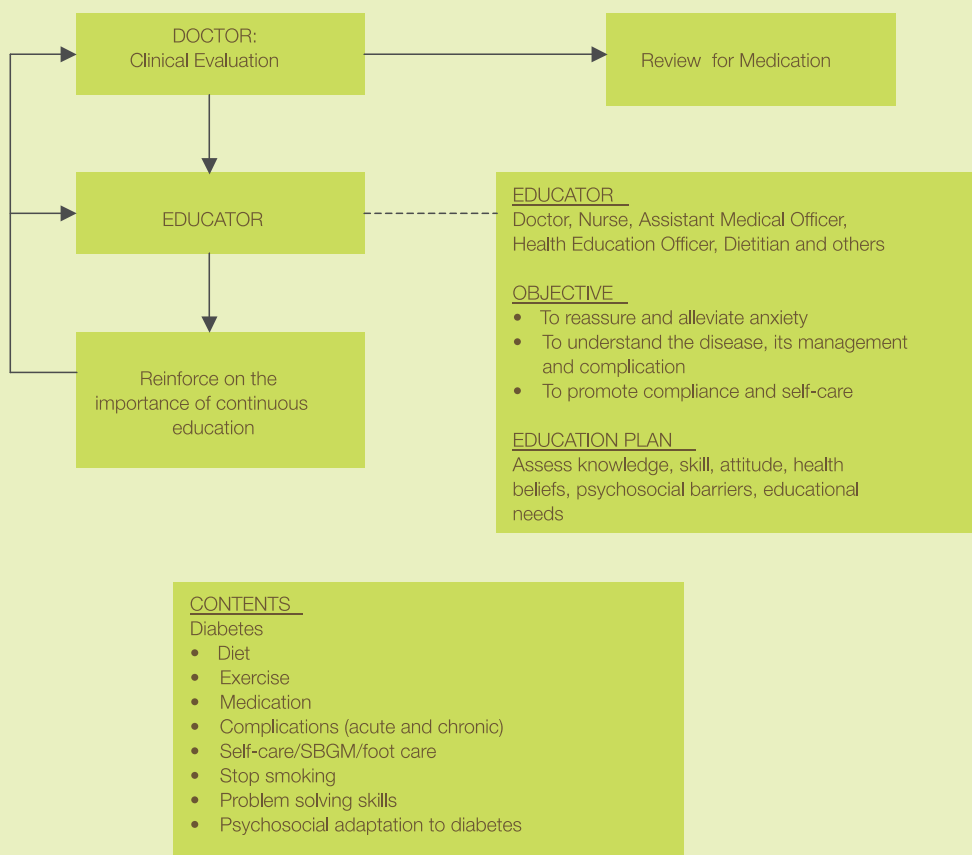
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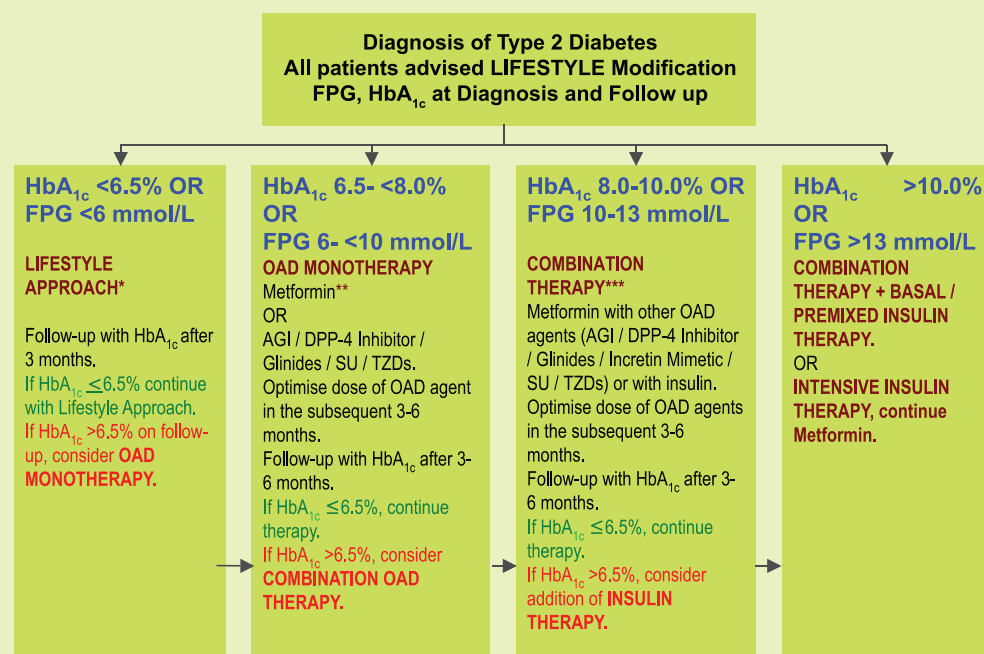
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## Slide 5

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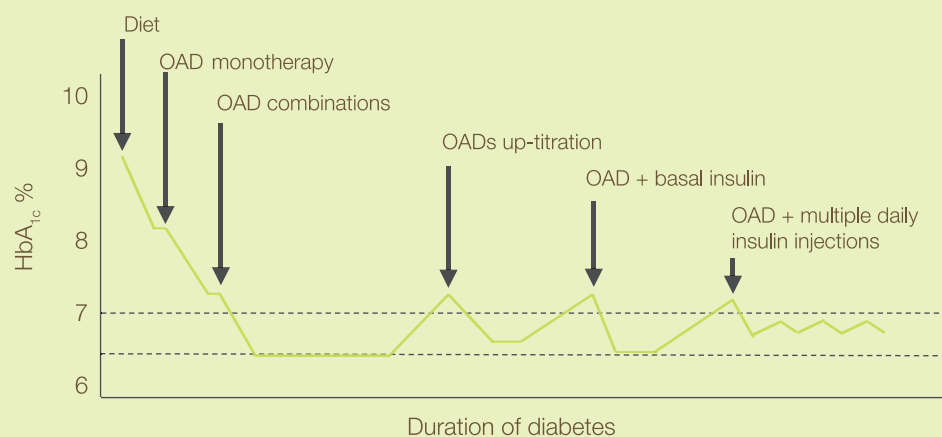
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## Slide 6

## Proactive management of glycaemia: Early combination approach



## Slide 7

## Oral Agent Monotherapy: Recommendations

- If glycaemic targets are not achieved ( $\text{HbA}_{1c}$   $<6.5\%$ , FPG  $<6$  mmol/L) with lifestyle modification within 3 months, OAD agents should be initiated.
- In the presence of marked hyperglycaemia in newly diagnosed T2DM ( $\text{HbA}_{1c}$   $6.5 - <8\%$ , FPG  $6 - <10$  mmol/L), OAD agents should be considered at the outset together with lifestyle modification.
- Patients should be follow-up within 2-4 weeks to monitor the symptoms, to assess the compliance and side effects of OAD and review the blood investigations including fasting lipid profile.
- As first line therapy:
  - Metformin is the preferred choice.
  - Use of TZDs as first line has been found to have greater durability in glycaemic control compared to metformin and sulphonylurea.
  - If monotherapy fails, combination of other agents is recommended.

## Slide 8

## Combination Oral Agents: Recommendations

- Newly diagnosed patients with  $\text{HbA}_{1c}$   $8 - <10\%$ , FPG  $10 - <13$  mmol/L.
- Patients who are not reaching targets ( $\text{HbA}_{1c}$   $<6.5\%$ ) after 3-6 months on monotherapy.

## Slide 9

## Combination Oral Agents &amp; Insulin: Recommendations

- Newly diagnosed patients with  $\text{HbA}_{1c}$   $>10\%$ , FPG  $>13$  mmol/L.
- Patients who are not reaching targets ( $\text{HbA}_{1c}$   $<6.5\%$ ) after 3-6 months on optimal doses of combination therapy.

## Slide 10

### Oral Anti-Diabetic (OAD) Agents

There are currently five classes of OAD agents:

- Alpha-glucosidase inhibitor (AGIs)
- Biguanides
- Dipeptidyl peptidase-4 (DPP-4) Inhibitors
- Insulin Secretagogues
- Sulphonylureas
- Non-SUs or Meglitinides
- Thiazolidinediones (TZDs)

## Slide 11

### Alpha-glucosidase inhibitor (AGIs)

- AGIs e.g. acarbose, act at the gut epithelium, to reduce the rate of digestion of polysaccharides in the proximal small intestine by inhibiting  $\alpha$ -glucosidase enzymes. They should be taken with main meals
- AGIs primarily lower postprandial glucose without causing hypoglycaemia
- They are less effective in lowering glycaemia than metformin or SU, reducing HbA<sub>1c</sub> by 0.5-0.8%
- They can have synergistic effects when used with other OAD agents and may be combined with insulin

## Slide 12

### Alpha-glucosidase inhibitor (AGIs) (cont.)

- If hypoglycaemia occurs when used in combination with SUs or insulin, advise patients to take monosaccharides, e.g. glucose
- The commonest side effects are bloating, abdominal discomfort, diarrhoea and flatulence

Formulation	Minimum Dose	Maximum Dose
Acarbose 50 mg / 100 mg tablet	Initial dose 50 mg OD Usual dose 50-100 mg during main meals	Maximum dose 100 mg TDS

## Slide 13

## Biguanides (Metformin)

- Metformin does not stimulate insulin secretion, and lowers glucose by decreasing hepatic glucose production
- Metformin monotherapy is usually not accompanied by hypoglycaemia
- It can lower plasma glucose by up to 20% as first line drug treatment especially in overweight/obese patients
- Metformin monotherapy will lower HbA<sub>1c</sub> by about 1.5%
- Metformin used in combination with other OAD agents have a synergistic effect to further reduce blood glucose. Metformin can increase insulin sensitivity and reduce insulin requirements

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## Biguanides (Metformin)

- Generally well tolerated. Most common adverse effects are nausea, anorexia and diarrhoea. These adverse effects are significantly less with the use of metformin extended release formulation
- Lactic acidosis is quite rare (< one case per 100,000 treated patients)
- The major non-glycaemic effect of metformin is either weight stability or modest weight loss, in contrast to many of the other blood glucose-lowering medications
- The UKPDS demonstrated a beneficial effect of metformin therapy on CVD outcomes
- Avoid if creatinine >150 µmol/l or creatinine clearance <30 mL/min

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## Biguanides (Metformin)

Formulation	Minimum Dose	Maximum Dose
Metformin 500 mg tablet	Initial dose 500 mg OD Usual dose 500 mg TDS	Maximum dose 1,000 mg BD
Metformin Retard 850 mg tablet	Initial dose 850 mg OD Usual dose 850 mg BD	Maximum dose 1,700 mg OM / 850 mg ON
Metformin extended release 500 mg tablet	Initial dose 500 mg OD	Maximum dose 2,000 mg OD
Glibenclamide and metformin fixed dose combination	Initial dose one 1.25mg / 250mg tablet OD or BD	Maximum dose two 5 mg / 500 mg tablets BD



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### Incretins

- The incretin effect is markedly decreased in T2DM, resulting in delayed and reduced insulin release as well as lack of suppression of glucagon release, after a meal
- After meals, incretins [glucagon-like peptide 1 (GLP-1) and glucose-dependent insulintropic polypeptide (GIP)] are released; these augment glucose-induced insulin secretion and glucagon release is suppressed, reducing hepatic glucose output - in a glucose dependent manner, i.e. normoglycaemia does not stimulate insulin secretion and glucagon release resumes
- Agents that increase the effect of incretins have been proven to improve glucose control - 2 classes of drugs have recently been developed: DPP-4 inhibitor (incretin enhancers) and GLP-1 analogue or GLP-1 receptor agonist (incretin mimetics)

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### DPP-4 Inhibitor (Sitagliptin)

- It lowers HbA<sub>1c</sub> by 0.5-0.8%, its efficacy improves when used at higher HbA<sub>1c</sub> baselines
- It can be combined with cumulative efficacy with other OAD agents e.g. Metformin, TZDs, and SU
- Data comparing it with Glipizide suggest equivalent glycaemic efficacy
- Other benefits include is the minimal risk of hypoglycaemia and weight neutrality
- It is excreted unchanged by the kidneys and a reduction of dose is recommended with renal impairment (25 to 50 mg)
- It is generally well tolerated

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### DPP-4 Inhibitor (Sitagliptin) (cont.)

Formulation	Minimum Dose	Maximum Dose
Sitagliptin 100 / 50 / 25 mg tablet	100 mg OD	100 mg OD
Sitagliptin and metformin fixed dose combination 50 mg / 500 mg tablet 50 mg / 850 mg tablet 50 mg / 1,000 mg tablet	50 mg / 500 mg BD	50 mg / 1,000 mg BD

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## Insulin Secretagogues (SUs)

- SUs lower plasma glucose by increasing insulin secretion. They can lower plasma glucose by up to 25% and lower HbA<sub>1c</sub> by about 1.5%
- The major adverse side effect is hypoglycaemia. The risk is higher in renal impairment, liver cirrhosis and the elderly
- Second generation SUs (Glimepiride, Gliclazide MR) cause less risk of hypoglycaemia and less weight gain
- SUs can be combined with other OAD agents or insulin to improve glucose control, if indicated

## Slide 20

## Insulin Secretagogues (SUs) (cont.)

- SUs should be taken 30 minutes before meals, except Glimepiride and Gliclazide MR which can be taken just before the meal
- Combining two different SUs / insulin secretagogues is not recommended
- Side effects are rare and include hepatitis, syndrome of inappropriate antidiuretic hormone (SIADH), blood dyscrasias

## Slide 21

## Insulin Secretagogues (SUs) (cont.)

Formulation	Minimum Dose	Maximum Dose
Glibenclamide 5 mg tablet	2.5 mg OM	10 mg BD
Gliclazide 80 mg tablet Gliclazide MR 30 mg tablet	40 mg OM 30 mg OM	160 mg BD 120 mg OM
Glipizide 5 mg tablet	2.5 mg OM	10 mg BD
Glimepiride 2 mg / 3 mg tablet	1 mg OM	6 mg OM

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## Insulin Secretagogues – Non-SUs or Meglitinides

- These are short acting insulin secretagogues which stimulate insulin secretion, although they bind to a different site within the SU receptor
- It has a shorter circulating half life than SUs, and is rapidly absorbed from the GI tract with peak level 1-hour post administration and eliminated within 4-6 hours
- It must be administered more frequently
- It should be taken within 10 minutes before main meals

## Slide 23

## Insulin Secretagogues – Non-SUs or Meglitinides (cont.)

- It is associated with a similar risk of weight gain as the SUs but hypoglycaemia may be less frequent
- It may be useful to control PPG

Formulation	Minimum Dose	Maximum Dose
Repaglinide 0.5 / 1 / 2 mg tablet	0.5 mg with main meals	4 mg with main meals (not exceeding 16 mg daily)
Nateglinide 120 mg tablet	60 mg with main meals	120 mg with main meals (not exceeding 360 mg daily)

## Slide 24

## Thiazolidinediones (TZDs)

- TZDs are peroxisome proliferator-activated receptor-gamma (PPAR- $\gamma$ ) agonists and act primarily by increasing insulin sensitivity of muscle, adipose tissue and liver to endogenous and exogenous insulin (insulin sensitisers)
- When used as monotherapy, TZDs have demonstrated a 0.5-1.4% decrease in HbA<sub>1c</sub>
- Improvement in glycaemic control may only be seen after six weeks and maximal effect up to six months
- Side effects include an increase in adiposity, largely subcutaneous (S/C), with redistribution of body fat, weight gain, fluid retention, and haemodilution. The fluid retention usually manifests as peripheral oedema, although new or worsened heart failure can occur.

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## Thiazolidinediones (TZDs) (cont.)

- Recent long term studies have found that both TZDs have been associated with an increased risk of fractures, particularly in women. The majority of these fractures were in the distal upper or lower limb.
- TZDs are contraindicated in patients with CCF and liver failure.
- Use of TZDs with insulin is not recommended.

Formulation	Minimum Dose	Maximum Dose
Rosiglitazone 4 / 8 mg tablet	4 mg OD	4 mg BD
Rosiglitazone and Metformin fixed dose combination tablet	2 mg / 500 mg BD	4 mg / 1,000 mg BD
Pioglitazone 15 / 30 mg tablet	15 mg OD	45 mg OD

## Slide 26

## GLP-1 Analogue (Exenatide)

- It is given parenterally, just before breakfast and dinner
- It reduces HbA<sub>1c</sub> by 0.5-1.0%, sustained efficacy over 2 years
- It can be added to metformin and/or SU if glycaemic targets are not achieved
- Progressive weight loss is seen in a proportion of patients – because of its effect on satiety and delay in gastric emptying

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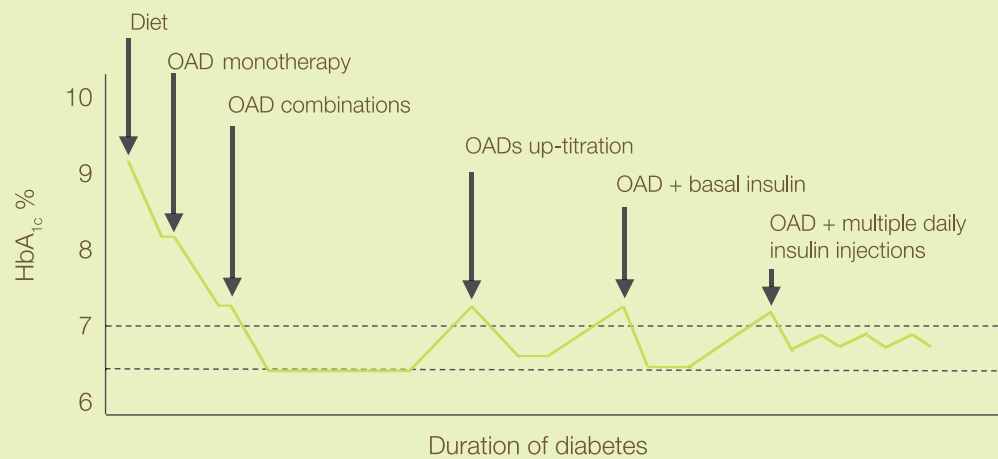
## GLP-1 Analogue (Exenatide) (cont.)

- The main adverse effects are gastrointestinal symptom, notably nausea – this can be minimised by starting at a low dose with an increase of dose after 1 month
- Incretin mimetic is not a substitute for insulin

Formulation	Minimum Dose	Maximum Dose
Exenatide 5 µg / 20 µg / 10 µg / 40 µg pre-filled pen	5 µg BD	10 µg BD

## Slide 28

## Proactive management of glycaemia: Early combination approach



## Slide 28 - Notes

- The early, aggressive approach to type 2 diabetes management avoids the risk of early treatment failure by adopting an intensive therapeutic strategy immediately upon diagnosis.
- Combinations of agents with complementary modes of action targeting the dual defects underlying type 2 diabetes (IR and  $\beta$ -cell dysfunction) are most likely to support tight, long-term glycaemic control.
- Furthermore, combination therapy with OADs (oral antidiabetics), should be considered earlier in the regimen to provide additional glycaemic control.

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## Slide 29

## General Guidelines for Use of OAD Agents

- In elderly non-obese patients, short acting insulin secretagogues can be started, but long acting SUs are to be avoided. Renal function should be monitored
- Compliance may be improved with daily dosing OAD agents
- OAD agents are not recommended for diabetes in pregnancy
- OAD agents are usually not the first line therapy in diabetes diagnosed during stress, such as infections. Insulin therapy is recommended
- Targets for control are applicable for all age groups. However, in patients with co morbidities, targets are individualised
- When indicated, start with a minimal dose of OAD agent, while reemphasising diet and physical activity. An appropriate duration of time (2-16 weeks depending on agents used) between increments should be given to allow achievement of steady state blood glucose control

## Slide 30

## Treatment strategy

- Choice of monotherapy – durability of drug, fit the phenotype
- More aggressive strategy – combination therapy for those with more severe hyperglycemia at diagnosis
- Earlier intensification of treatment
- Rational use of drugs with complementary mechanisms of action
- Ongoing patient education – adherence to lifestyle interventions and pharmacotherapy

## Slide 31

## Summary

- Current glycaemic management of diabetes is inadequate
  - Too few patients are achieving targets for HbA<sub>1c</sub>
  - New approaches are needed to improve outcomes
- Need to intervene early & more aggressively.
- Treat to goal, treat to phenotype, individualised.
- Early combination therapy but keep regimens simple . Early insulin initiation – start simply with bed-time insulin, then optimise.
- Achieve effective and sustained glycaemic control.
- Address underlying cardiovascular risk factors.
- Continuous strong multidisciplinary patient support and education.

**TOPIC 7**

# INSULIN THERAPY

MANAGEMENT OF TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS  
(4<sup>th</sup> Edition)

Training Module For Health Care Providers

## Slide 1

## Targets for Control

	Levels
Glycaemic Control *	
Fasting	4.4 – 6.1 mmol/l
Non-fasting	4.4 – 8.0 mmol/l
HbA <sub>1c</sub>	< 6.5 %
Lipids	
Triglycerides	≤ 1.7 mmol/l
HDL cholesterol	≥ 1.1 mmol/l
LDL cholesterol	≤ 2.6 mmol/l <sup>#</sup>
Exercise	150 mins / week
Blood Pressure	
Normal Renal Function	≤ 130/80 mmHg <sup>§</sup>
Renal Impairment /Gross Proteinuria	≤ 120/75 mmHg

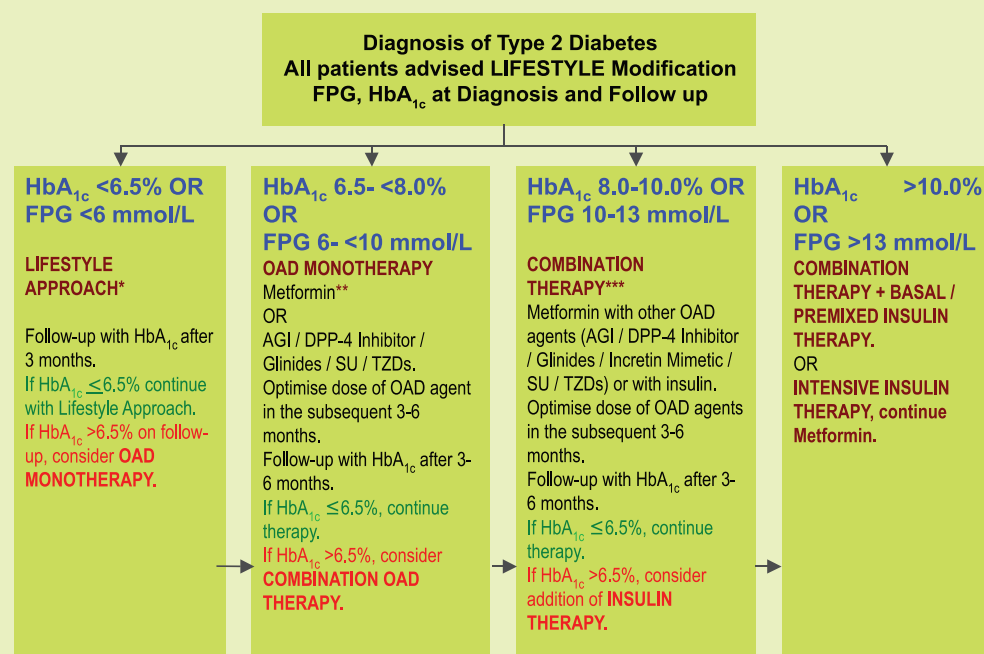
## Slide 3 - Notes

- \* Glycaemic target should be individualised to minimise risk of hypoglycaemia.
- # In Individuals with overt CVD, LDL cholesterol target is <1.8 mmol/L.
- § In children and adolescents, blood pressure should be <95<sup>th</sup> percentile for age and sex.



## Slide 2

## Treatment Algorithm for the Management of T2DM



## Slide 2 - Notes

If symptomatic (weight loss, polyuria, etc) at any HbA<sub>1c</sub> and FPG level, consider insulin therapy.

\* Consider metformin/AGI/other insulin sensitiser in appropriate patients.

\*\* Metformin is preferred 1<sup>st</sup> line agent, and SU should preferably not be used as 1<sup>st</sup> line.

\*\*\* Although 3 oral agents can be used, initiation and intensification of insulin therapy is preferred based on effectiveness and expense.

## Slide 3

## Combination of Oral Agents &amp; Insulin Therapy

- Combining insulin and the following OAD agents has been shown to be effective in T2DM:
  - Biguanides (Metformin)
  - Sulphonylureas
  - Alpha-glucosidase inhibitors
- Insulin can be used for short term and long term indications.

## Slide 4

## Short Term Use of Insulin

Short-term insulin therapy should be considered in the following conditions:

- Acute illness, surgery, stress and emergencies
- Pregnancy
- Breast-feeding
- Insulin may be used as initial therapy in T2DM particularly in marked hyperglycaemia
- Severe metabolic decompensation (e.g. DKA, HONK)

## Slide 5

## Long Term Use of Insulin

- Persistent hyperglycaemia in spite of optimal OAD agents with stable or loss of weight suggests beta cell failure. However, it is important to exclude chronic infections, malignancies or medications as cause of weight loss.
- The basal intermediate acting insulin should be administered pre-bed because of the risk of hypoglycaemia in the early hours of the morning if given earlier.
- It is not necessary to have an extra meal or snack after intermediate or long-acting insulin.

## Slide 6

## Long Term Use of Insulin (cont.)

- Requirements of high dose of insulin (>1.5 unit/kg per day) should prompt a search for an underlying cause/secondary problems such as non-compliance, incorrect dosing and administration timing, hypertrophy of injection area, inter meal hypoglycaemia with rebound hyperglycaemia pre-meal, expired insulin or expired strips and occult infections.
- There is no limitation of insulin dose.
- The rate of absorption from the injections depend on the site and 'exercise activity' of the 'site'. Patients should be encouraged to rotate all their injection sites in the abdomen region.

## Slide 7

### Insulin Initiation

If targets have not been reached after optimal OAD therapy, consider adding:

- Pre-bed intermediate-acting, or
- Pre-bed long-acting insulin, or
- Pre-dinner premixed insulin

## Slide 8

### Insulin Optimisation

- Dose of insulin can be increased every 3<sup>rd</sup> or 4<sup>th</sup> day (2-4 units each time) till reach target – fix the fasting first
- Basal / bedtime insulin regimen -> titrate insulin till target pre-breakfast 4-6 mmol/L, adequate dose 0.4 U/kg/day
- Premixed insulin regimen – more difficult to optimise

## Slide 9

### Insulin Intensification

- Bedtime basal insulin -> premixed insulin daily / twice daily
- Bedtime basal insulin -> sequential addition of bolus insulin premeals (BASAL PLUS)
- Bedtime basal insulin -> addition of three bolus insulin (BASAL BOLUS)
- Single premixed dose -> Twice then maybe thrice daily 1->2->3 (premixed analogue)

## Slide 10

### Types of Insulin Regimes

- OAD agents + basal insulin or premixed insulin once a day
- Metformin + premixed insulin more than once a day
- Metformin + basal insulin + prandial insulin

## Slide 11

## Self Blood Glucose Monitoring

- Method of choice in monitoring glycaemic control. SBGM should be carried out for patients on insulin and is desirable for those on OAD agents.
- Frequency of blood glucose testing depends on the glucose status, glucose goals and mode of treatment.
- Although SBGM has not been shown to have a significant impact on outcome measures such as HbA<sub>1c</sub> and body weight, it is recommended as part of a wider educational strategy to promote self-care.
- SBGM should be carried out 3 or 4 times daily for patients using multiple insulin injections or insulin pump therapy

## Slide 12

## Monitoring - SBGM

Mode of Treatment	Breakfast		Lunch		Dinner	
	Pre	Post	Pre	Post	Pre	Post / Pre-bed
Diet Only	✓	✓		✓		✓
Oral anti-diabetic agent	✓	✓		✓		✓
Insulin	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

✓ Recommended timing of SBGM

✓ Optional timing of SBGM

## Slide 13

## Reaching Glycaemic Targets

To control	Adjust
Pre-breakfast glucose	Pre bed intermediate acting insulin or long acting analogue or pre-dinner premixed
2-hour post breakfast	Breakfast intake or pre breakfast rapid acting or morning premixed insulin analogue
Pre-lunch glucose	Morning tea or pre breakfast short acting insulin or morning premixed insulin
2-hour post lunch	Lunch intake or pre lunch rapid acting or morning premixed insulin
Pre-dinner	Afternoon tea intake or pre lunch short acting insulin or morning premixed insulin
Post-dinner / pre-bed	Dinner intake or pre dinner rapid acting or pre dinner premixed analogue or pre dinner premixed insulin

## Slide 14

## Glucose Monitoring in Relation to Insulin Therapy

- Those on replacement insulin therapy need to check glucose levels before each meal and before bed (10-11 pm).
- Once pre-meal glucose levels are achieved, PPG testing is recommended for fine-tuning of insulin dose.
- This information will allow adjustments of insulin dosage after taking into account the effect of diet and physical activity.

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## Oral Agents + Bedtime Insulin

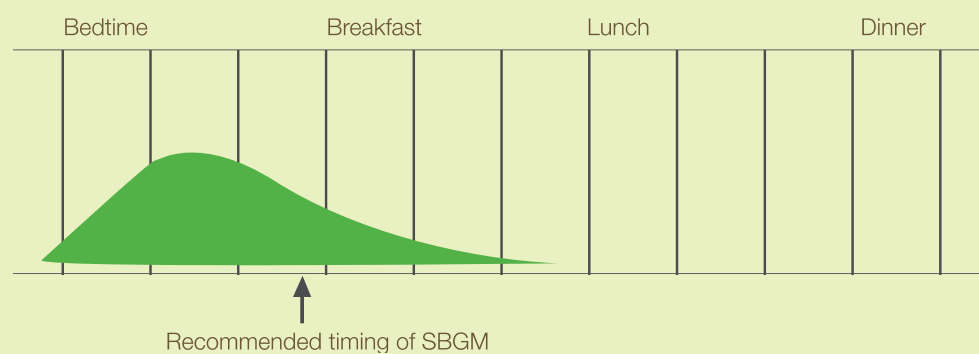


Figure 1a: Oral Agent(s) + Bedtime Insulin – Intermediate Acting Insulin

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## Oral Agents + Bedtime Insulin (cont.)

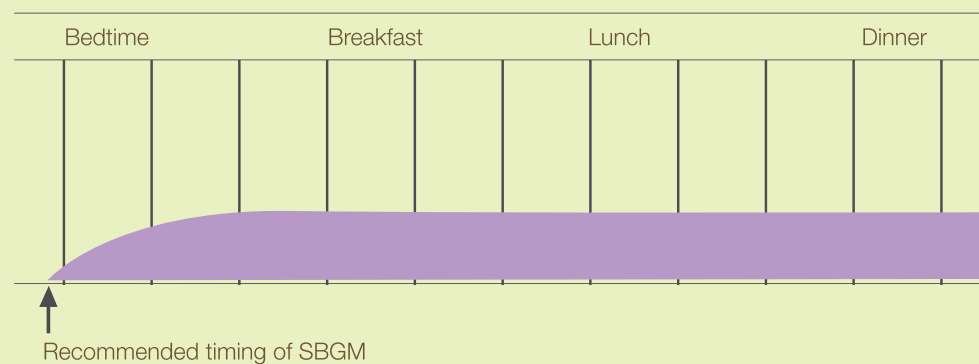


Figure 1b: Oral Agent(s) + Once Daily Basal Long Acting Insulin

- Values before breakfast give information about bedtime insulin or once daily basal long acting insulin

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## Basal Bolus Insulin Regimen

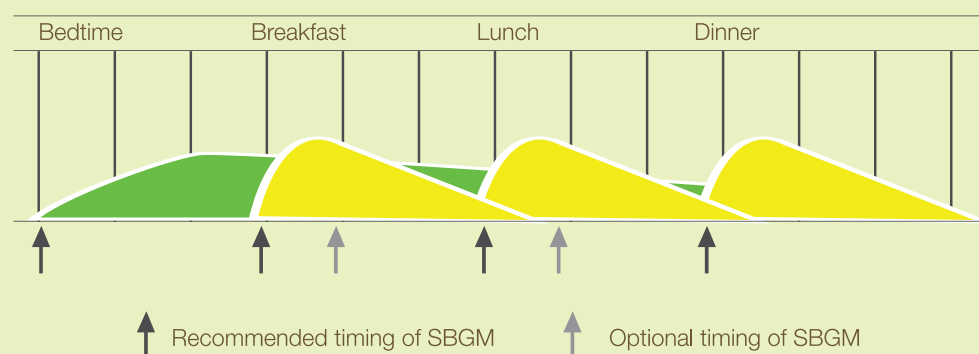


Figure 2: Basal Bolus Insulin Regimen

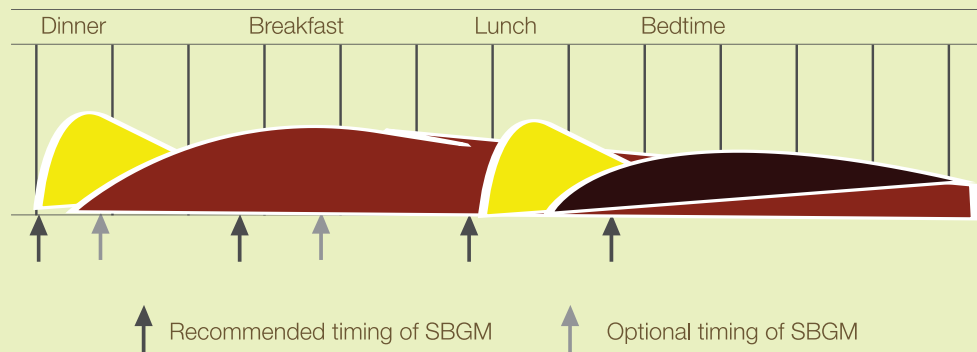
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## Basal Bolus Insulin Regimen (cont.)

- Values before breakfast give information about pre-dinner or pre-bed intermediate acting insulin.
- Insulin glargine or detemir may be used in place of neutral protamine hagedorn (NPH). Pre-breakfast values are used for dose titration.
- Values before other main meals (pre-lunch or pre-dinner) reflect short acting insulin taken at the previous meal.
- Once pre-meal glucose levels are achieved, PPG testing is recommended for fine-tuning of insulin dose.
- Values at pre-bed give information about short acting insulin given before dinner.
- Rapid acting insulin analogues can be given in place of the short acting insulin. It should be given at the start or immediately after the meal. 2-hour PPG values are used for dose titration.

## Slide 19

## Twice Daily Premixed or Combination Intermediate Acting with Short Acting Insulin



## Slide 20

## Twice Daily Premixed or Combination Intermediate Acting with Short Acting Insulin (cont.)

- Values before breakfast give information about pre-dinner or pre-bed intermediate or long acting insulin.
- Values at pre-lunch give information about short acting insulin given before breakfast.
- Values at pre-dinner give information about the intermediate acting insulin given before breakfast.
- Values at pre-bed give information about short acting insulin given before dinner.
- Once pre-meal glucose levels are achieved, PPG testing is recommended for fine-tuning of insulin dose.
- Ideally these tests should be done on a daily basis or if possible at least one 24-hour cycle per week.

## Slide 21

## Keys to success with insulin

- Start early
- Start simply – easy regimen
- SBGM – monitor regularly
- Avoid hypos
- Review frequently
- Use enough insulin
- Modify insulin regimen with time
- Continuous patient education.

# Case Study: OAD & Insulin Therapy

## Management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus

(4<sup>th</sup> Edition)

### Training Module For Health care Providers

#### Slide 1

Case 1: Mr. B.A.

#### Slide 2

##### Introduction

- 37 y.o. Indian man
- F/H of diabetes: +
- Polyuria and polydipsia of one week duration
- Weight 74 kg; BMI 28 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- Recent weight loss.
- Physical examination: NAD
- Random blood glucose: 27 mmol/L

#### Slide 3

##### Questions

- Comment on this patient.
- How would you manage this patient?

#### Slide 3 - Notes

##### Key Points

- Has several risk factors i.e. Indian ethnicity, family history of diabetes, age over 30 years, obese
- Symptomatic
- Hyperglycaemia
- Screen for other risk factors & diabetes related complications
- HbA<sub>1c</sub> will help decide on treatment regime



## Slide 4

### Treatment

- HbA<sub>1c</sub> was not done at diagnosis
- FBS 11.0 mmol/L
- Patient was started on:
  - Glibenclamide 2.5 mg BD
  - Metformin 500 mg BD
- After 3 months, HbA<sub>1c</sub> 8.3; FBS 6.0, 2PPG 7.0

## Slide 5

### Questions

- Any comments on the HbA<sub>1c</sub> of 8.3%?
- What would you do after this?

### Slide 5 - Notes

#### Key Points

- HbA<sub>1c</sub> of 8.3% includes the period of hyperglycaemia at the time of diagnosis.
- HbA<sub>1c</sub> is an average of glucose over 3 months. Hence it can be predicted that the HbA<sub>1c</sub> will be less in the next few months.
- Furthermore there may be some improvement in pancreatic function as glucose toxicity to beta cells is reduced.
- Hence it may not be necessary to add extra medications just yet.

## Slide 6

### Case 2: Madam J.A.

## Slide 7

### Introduction

- 58 y.o. lady, housewife
- Weight 110 kg; BMI 47 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- Duration of diabetes < 1 year
- History of hysterectomy
- F/H nil
- O/E: Acanthosis nigricans noted

## Slide 8

- HbA<sub>1c</sub> 12.2%
- FBS 15.9 mmol/L
- BP 140/79 mmHg
- Current treatment:
  - Metformin 1 gm TDS
  - Adalat & Prazocin

## Slide 9

## Questions

- Comment on her status?
- How would you manage this patient?

## Slide 9 - Notes

## Key Points

- Severely obese
- Poor glycaemic control
- High BP
- Weight management is essential as insulin use may result in further weight gain.
- Refer obesity clinic
- Change to ACE-I or ARB & optimise anti-HPT. May consider adding thiazides

## Slide 10

## Follow up 3 months later...

- BP now 106/55 mmHg
- HbA<sub>1c</sub> 7.6; FBS 11.2
- Still on Metformin 1 gm TDS
- Rosiglitazone 4 mg OD was added during last follow-up

## Slide 11

## Question

- What would you do next?

## Slide 12

### Case 3: Madam R.M.

## Slide 13

### Introduction

- 48 y.o. Malay lady
- Weight 62 kg; BMI 27.3 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- F/H: Nil
- Duration of DM: 11 years
- Already on gliclazide and metformin
- HbA<sub>1c</sub> 7.9%
- Her weight is increasing

## Slide 14

### Questions

- How would you manage her?

### Slide 14 - Notes

#### Key Points

- Still not reaching glycaemic target
- Intensify OADs – may add on Rosiglitazone

## Slide 15

### On Follow-up...

- Current medications:
  - Metformin 750 mg TDS
  - Gliclazide 120 mg BD
  - Rosiglitazone 4 mg OD
- HbA<sub>1c</sub> 7.4%
- Weight 65 kg

## Slide 16

## Questions

- What do you think is happening to this patient?
- What would you do next?

*Slide 16 - Notes*

## Key Points

- The addition of rosiglitazone did not give any benefit in this particular patient.
- The patient need to have more education on diet and exercise.
- The other options are DPP-4 inhibitor or Acarbose or Incretin mimetics – these options do not increase weight.

## Slide 17

## Case 4: Mr. D.K.

## Slide 18

## Introduction

- 50 y.o. Indian man
- Weight 64.5 kg; BMI 22.5 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- Has family history of diabetes
- Duration of diabetes: 5 years
- HbA<sub>1c</sub> 8.6%
- Currently on Metformin 250 mg TDS and Gliclazide 80 mg BD

## Slide 19

## Questions

- What are your comments on the management of this patient initially?

*Slide 19 - Notes*

## Key Points

- Poor glycaemic control, not reaching target
- Increase dose of OADs

## Slide 20

### On Follow-up...

- At the last follow-up, the OADs doses were increased:
  - Metformin 1 gm BD
  - Gliclazide 120 mg BD
- Weight 68 kg
- HbA<sub>1c</sub> 6.7%

## Slide 21

### Subsequent Follow-ups...

- HbA<sub>1c</sub> remained < 7.0%
- Noted elevated post prandial blood glucose of 10-11 mol/L

## Slide 22

### Questions

- Do you want to do anything else?
- If yes, what would you do?

### *Slide 22 - Notes*

#### Key Points

- May increase dose of gliclazide
- May start acarbose to address the post prandial hyperglycaemia
- The other option other than acarbose would be DPP-4 inhibitors.

## Slide 23

### Case 5: Mr. T.V.

## Slide 24

## Introduction

- 45 y.o. Indian male, lorry driver
- T2DM for the last 5 years
- No complications detected so far
- Current treatment Glibenclamide 10 mg bd and Metformin 500 mg bd for the last 2 years
- Persistently raised FPG > 8 ; HbA<sub>1c</sub> > 9% in the last 2 years
- No symptoms to suggest hypoglycemia
- No SBGM

## Slide 25

## On Examination...

- Wt. 80 kg (was 75 kg at diagnosis);
- WC 90 cm
- BP 135/80 mmHg
- TG 2.8; LDL 2.5; HDL 1.0
- Urine microalbumin not detected

## Slide 26

## Questions

- Comment on his status?
- How would you optimise his glycemic control ?

*Slide 26 - Notes*

## Key Points

- Poor glycaemic control > 6 months
- Dyslipidaemia
- If targets have not been reached after optimal OAD therapy, consider adding:
  - Pre-bed intermediate-acting, or
  - Pre-bed long-acting insulin, or
  - Pre-dinner premixed insulin
- Metformin usually maintained

## Slide 27

### Case 6: Madam Z.R.

## Slide 28

### Introduction

- 45 y.o. Malay lady, executive officer
- T2DM 5 years, no complications
- Currently on Gliclazide 160 mg BD, Metformin 1 g BD, Acarbose 100 mg BD
- Usually has “lighter” breakfast and lunch ; but tend to have late heavy dinner with family
- FPG > 9; HbA<sub>1c</sub> 10%
- SBGM pre-dinner > 9; 2PPG 12-15

## Slide 29

### On Follow-up...

- Wt. 80 kg (not much of change since diagnosis); WC 90 cm
- BP 140/90 mmHg
- TG 4.5; HDL 0.9 mmol/L
- She was re-counselled for change in lifestyle and insulin therapy
- She finally agreed for 1 injection per day
- What can we offer her?

## Slide 30

### Questions

- Comment on her status?
- What can we offer her?

### Slide 30 - Notes

#### Key Points

- Poor glycaemic control despite maximum OADs combination
- Has dyslipidaemia
- Has central obesity
- BP also high
- High pre-dinner blood glucose

## Slide 30

## Case 7: Mr. M.Y.

## Slide 31

## Introduction

- 60 y.o. Chinese male, retired teacher
- T2DM for 10 years, complicated by peripheral neuropathy and immature cataract bilaterally
- Currently on Gliclazide 160 mg BD and Metformin 1 g BD; unable to tolerate Acarbose
- FBS > 13; HbA<sub>1c</sub> > 10%
- Stopped SBGM; disappointed with the results which were always in the teens
- Requesting for multivitamin to overcome lethargy and weight loss

## Slide 32

## On Examination...

- Wt. 55 kg (was 60 kg 5 years ago)
- WC 75 cm
- Clinically euthyroid; BP 150/80 mmHg
- Sensory loss in stocking distribution with no ulcer or wound or tinea pedis; dermatopathy seen on the shins
- TG 1.8; LDL 3.4; HDL 1.3 mmol/L
- 24-hour urine protein 0.5 g per day

## Slide 33

- Comment on his status.
- How will you optimise his condition?

*Slide 33 - Notes*

## Key Points

- Poor glycaemic control despite maximum OAD
- BP high
- Dyslipidaemia
- Weight loss may indicate pancreatic failure
- Need to start insulin therapy, while managing his other concomitant co-morbidities



**TOPIC 8**

DIABETES WITH  
HYPERTENSION & DYSLIPIDAEMIA

MANAGEMENT OF TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS  
(4<sup>th</sup> Edition)

Training Module For Health Care Providers

## Slide 1

## Hypertension &amp; T2DM

- The prevalence of hypertension in T2DM is reported to be around 40-80%
- Hypertension should be detected and treated early in the course of DM to:
  - Prevent CVD
  - Delay the progression of renal disease and diabetic retinopathy

## Slide 2

## Diagnosis

- BP >130/80 mmHg two reading 2-3 weeks apart
- Pharmacological treatment should be initiated in patients with diabetes when the BP is persistently >130 mmHg systolic and/or >80 mmHg diastolic

## Slide 3

## Treatment Goals &amp; Targets

- In general, the target blood pressure should be
 

systolic	< 130 mmHg
diastolic	< 80 mmHg
- With proteinuria > 1g/24 hrs, target is
 

	≤ 125/75 mmHg
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- Tight BP control should take precedence over the class of antihypertensive drug used.
- Combination therapy often required
- Lower BP target may be necessary to maximally protect against the development & progression of CV and renal disease.

## Slide 4

## Other assessments

- Screen for proteinuria or microalbuminuria
- Microalbuminuria / proteinuria +
  - Strongly predicts overt nephropathy and CVD
  - Should be treated even if the BP is not elevated

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## Other assessments (cont.)

Proteinuria or microalbuminuria +

- Treatment recommendation
  - ACE-I or ARB is preferred
  - In a proportion of patients, microalbuminuria may be normalised by higher doses of ACE-Is and ARBs
  - Normalisation of microalbuminuria is associated with a reduction in the rate of decline in GFR

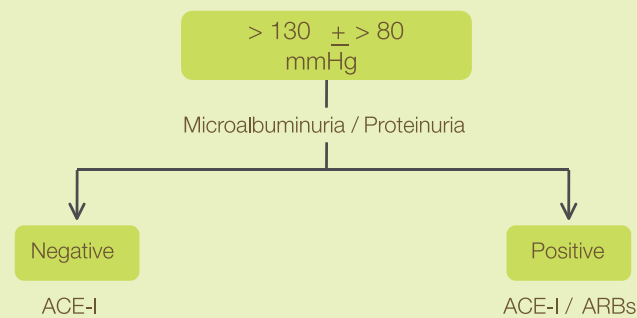
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## Non-Pharmacological Treatment

- Non-pharmacological management cannot be over emphasised.
- Dietary counselling
  - Target at optimal body weight
  - Consider glycaemia / dyslipidaemia control
- Moderate dietary sodium restriction is advisable - enhances the effects of ACE-Is and ARBs.
- Further sodium restriction, + diuretic, may be necessary in nephropathy or when the BP is difficult to control.

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## Pharmacologic Treatment



- If an ACEI is not tolerated, an ARB can be considered
- Diuretics, CCBs,  $\beta$ -blockers and  $\alpha$ -blockers may be used as add-on Rx
- Certain classes of antihypertensive drugs may be disadvantageous in DM

## Slide 8

Table 8 (A): Choice of antihypertensive drugs in diabetes patients with concomitant conditions (Adapted from Malaysian CPG for Hypertension 2008)

Concomitant Disease	Diuretics	$\beta$ -blockers	ACEIs	CCBs	Peripheral $\alpha$ -blockers	ARBs
DM (without nephropathy)	+	+/-	+++	+	+/-	++
DM (with nephropathy)	++	+/-	+++	++*	+/-	+++
Gout	+/-	+	+	+	+	+
Dyslipidaemia	+/-	+/-	+	+	+	+
Coronary heart disease	+	+++	+++	++	+	+
Heart failure	+++	+++ <sup>#</sup>	+++	+ <sup>@</sup>	+	+++

Grading of recommendation (+) to (+++) is based on increasing levels of evidence + current widely accepted practice

+/- Use with care

- Contraindicated

\* Only non-dihydropyridine CCBs

<sup>#</sup> Metoprolol, bisoprolol, carvedilol – dose needs to be gradually titrated

<sup>@</sup> Current evidence available for amlodipine and felodipine only

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Table 8 (B): Choice of antihypertensive drugs in diabetes patients with concomitant conditions (Adapted from Malaysian CPG for Hypertension 2008)

Concomitant Disease	Diuretics	$\beta$ -blockers	ACEIs	CCBs	Peripheral $\alpha$ -blockers	ARBs
Asthma	+	-	+	+	+	+
Peripheral vascular disease	+	+/-	+	+	+	+
Non-diab renal impairment	++	+	+++	+*	+	++
Renal artery stenosis	+	+	++ <sup>\$</sup>	+	+	++ <sup>\$</sup>
Elderly with no co-morbid conditions	+++	+	+	+++	+/-	+

Grading of recommendation (+) to (+++) is based on increasing levels of evidence + current widely accepted practice

+/- Use with care

- Contraindicated

\* Only non-dihydropyridine CCB

<sup>\$</sup> Contraindicated in bilateral renal artery stenosis

## Slide 10

### Recommendations

- ACE-Is are the agents of choice for patients with diabetes without microalbuminuria or proteinuria.
- ARBs or ACE-Is are the agents of choice for patients with diabetes and microalbuminuria or proteinuria.

## Slide 11

### Summary

- Multi factorial approach needed for treatment patients with T2DM
- Treatment of BP more beneficial than blood glucose
- Choice of monotherapy of HPT should be individualised
- Fixed combination therapy preferred in patients required more than one agent

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### Diabetic Dyslipidaemia

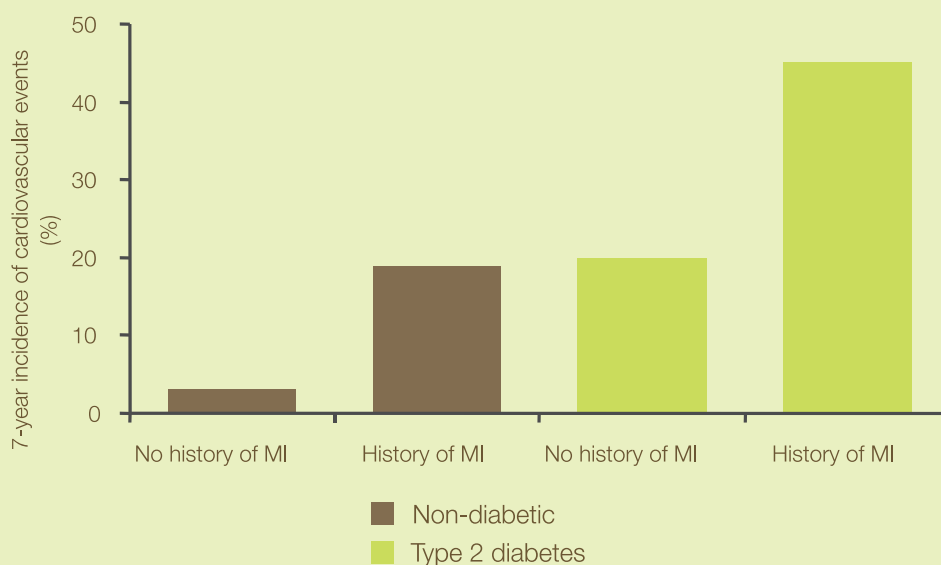
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### Introduction

- DM is a coronary heart disease (CHD) risk equivalent.
- Control of hyperglycaemia in T2DM has not been associated with significant decrease in CVD events, except in overweight people with diabetes who were given metformin.
- Efforts must be directed to control other risk factors such as dyslipidaemia, hypertension and other new emerging risk factors
- Treatment of hypertension in diabetes should follow the guidelines for the treatment of hypertension in general (Malaysian CPG for the Management of Hypertension 2008).

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## DM is a coronary heart disease (CHD) risk equivalent



Haffner SM et al. N Engl J Med 1998; 339: 229–234.

## Slide 14 - Notes

## Aim:

- To highlight the increased risk of cardiovascular disease in people with Type 2 diabetes.

## Discussion:

- People with Type 2 diabetes have a higher risk of myocardial infarction (MI) than non diabetic individuals.
- In one study, people with Type 2 diabetes who had never had an MI had as high a risk of having one as people without Type 2 diabetes with a history of MI.<sup>1</sup>
- This is of great importance in clinical practice. Remember – look at each person with Type 2 diabetes as if they have already had an MI.

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## Dyslipidaemia &amp; Diabetes: Screening

- In adult patients, test for lipid disorders at least annually
- More often if needed to achieve the goal
- In children and adolescents with T2DM, screening for lipid disorders should be done at diagnosis after glycaemic control is achieved. If normal lipid values are obtained, screening should be repeated every two years

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## Primary target: LDL Cholesterol

- In individuals without overt CVD
  - All patients over the age of 40 years should be treated with a statin regardless of baseline LDL cholesterol levels
- In individuals with overt CVD
  - All patients should be treated with a statin
- The target of LDL cholesterol: 1.8 mmol/L

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## Secondary Target: Non-HDL, HDL &amp; TG

Non-HDL cholesterol	< 3.4 mmol/L (when TG > 2.3 mmol/L)
HDL cholesterol	> 1.0 mmol/L for males > 1.2 mmol/L for females
TG	< 1.7 mmol/L

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## Non-Pharmacological Treatment

- Lifestyle modification focusing on the reduction of saturated fat, trans fat and cholesterol intake.
- Weight loss (if indicated) and increased physical activity have been shown to improve the lipid profile.

## Slide 19

## Pharmacological Treatment

Lipid Goal	Initial Drug	Suggested addition (in order of preference)
Lower LDL cholesterol	Statins	-
Increase HDL cholesterol	Fibrate or Nicotinic Acid	-
Lower TG	Fibrates	Statins
Treat combined hyperlipidaemia	Statins	Fibrates Resin plus Fibrates Nicotinic Acid

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## Pharmacological Treatment (cont.)

- In T2DM with very high TG, reduction of carbohydrate intake is emphasised.
- Lowering TG in patients with clinical CVD and normal LDL-cholesterol with a fibrate is associated with a reduction in cardiovascular events.
- Combination therapy using statins and other lipid-lowering agents may be necessary to achieve lipid targets but has not been evaluated in outcome studies for either CVD event reduction or safety.

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## Pharmacological Treatment (cont.)

## Special situations

- Statin therapy is contraindicated in pregnancy.
- Treatment strategies in children and adolescents are no different with regards to dietary and glycaemic control. Lipid lowering medications should only be initiated in those >10 years old.

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## Recommendations

- All patients without overt CVD over the age of 40 years should be treated with a statin regardless of baseline LDL cholesterol levels.
- All patients with overt CVD should be treated with a statin.



# Case Study: Diabetes with Hypertension & Dyslipidaemia

## Management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus (4<sup>th</sup> Edition)

### Training Module For Health care Providers

#### Slide 1

Case One: Mr. S.T.

#### Slide 2

##### Introduction

- Mr. S.T., a 45 y.o. Malay man
- Referred by his family physician for further management of diabetes and hypertension
- He is a case of T2DM diagnosed in last 6 years
- Currently treated with:
  - Metformin 1 gm
  - Gliclazide 160 mg twice daily
  - Amlodipine 10 mg daily

#### Slide 3

##### Examination & Investigation

- Weight 58 kg; Height 165 cm,
- BP 140/90 mmHg; PR 78 beats/min
- Fundus examination revealed mild non-proliferate retinopathy
- Other examination were normal
- Investigations:
  - FBS 8.0 mmol/L
  - HbA<sub>1c</sub> 7.8%
  - Creatinine 96 µmol/L (6 months earlier)

## Slide 4

## Question

- What are your comments on the management of the referring doctor?

## Slide 4 - Notes

## Key Points

- HbA<sub>1c</sub> not at target despite on maximum doses of 2 OAD agents
- BP not at target
- Choice of anti HPT – ACE-I/ARB recommended for diabetes patients

## Slide 5

## Laboratory Results

- |                       |              |
|-----------------------|--------------|
| • Total cholesterol   | 5.2 mmol/L   |
| • HDL-Chol            | 0.8 mmol/L   |
| • TG                  | 1.7 mmol/L   |
| • LDL-Chol            | 2.0 mmol/L   |
| • Albustix            | - ve         |
| • Microalbuminuria    | + ve         |
| • 24hr. Urine protein | 278 mg/24hrs |
| • S. Creatinine       | 89 µmol/l    |
| • A1                  | 8.0 %        |
| • FPG                 | 7.9 mmol/L   |
| • ECG                 | LVH          |

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## Question

- Comment on the results
- What are the treatment issues that need to be discussed with the patients?
- Adding third oral agent? or insulin?
- What is the BP target?

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## HOT Study

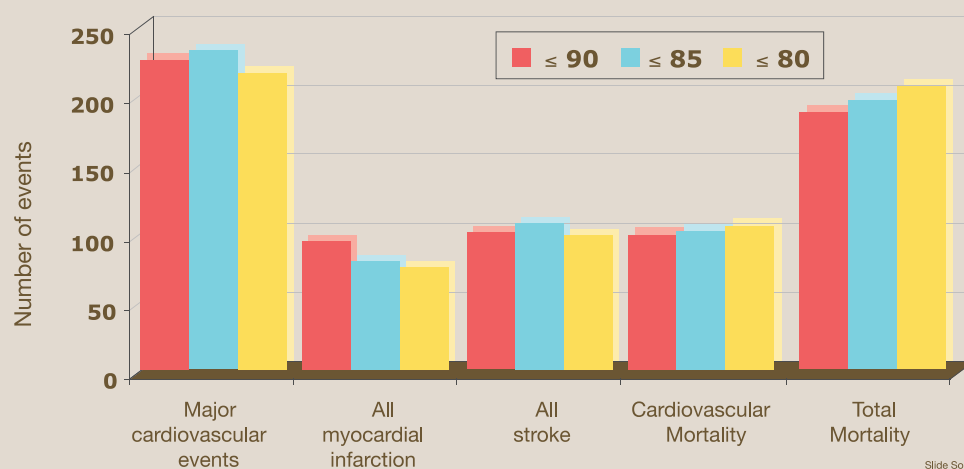
- The Hypertension Optimal Treatment (HOT) Study enrolled 18,790 patients to assess the optimal target diastolic blood pressure for hypertensive patients over a period of 4.9 years (average follow-up 3.8 years)
- Patients were randomised to felodipine + placebo or felodipine + aspirin
- Principal aims of this study were to assess: the association between major cardiovascular events (non-fatal myocardial infarction, non-fatal stroke, and cardiovascular death) and the target BPs of  $\leq 90$  mmHg,  $\leq 85$  mmHg, and  $\leq 80$  mmHg; the association between major cardiovascular events and diastolic BP achieved during treatment; and the impact of the addition of acetylsalicylic acid to antihypertensive treatment on the rate of major cardiovascular events
- 1,501 patients had diabetes at baseline

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## HOT Outcomes by Target Blood Pressure Group\*



\*The outcomes for different blood pressure groups were not statistically significant

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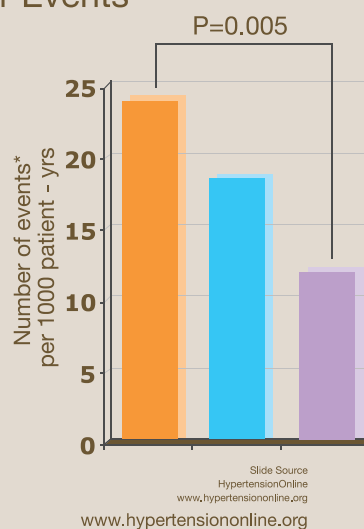
HOT Diabetic Subgroup  
Reduction in Cardiovascular Events

Target diastolic BP (mmHg)	Achieved <sup>†</sup> systolic BP (mmHg)	Achieved <sup>†</sup> diastolic BP (mmHg)	# of patients with diabetes
■ ≤ 90	143.7	85.2	501
■ ≤ 85	141.4	83.2	501
■ ≤ 80	139.7	81.1	499

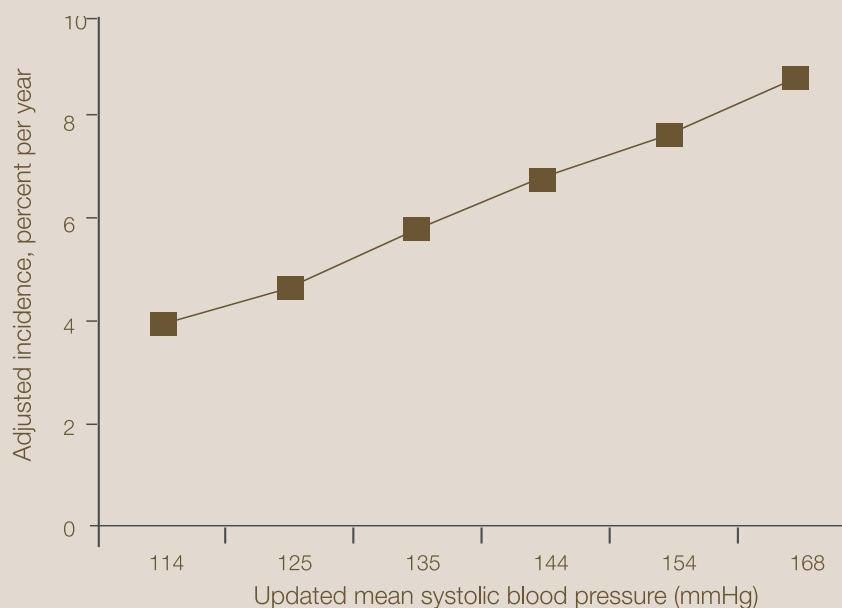
<sup>†</sup>mean of all blood pressures for all study patients in BP subgroups from 6 months of follow-up to end of study

\*Includes all myocardial infarction, all strokes, and all other cardiovascular deaths

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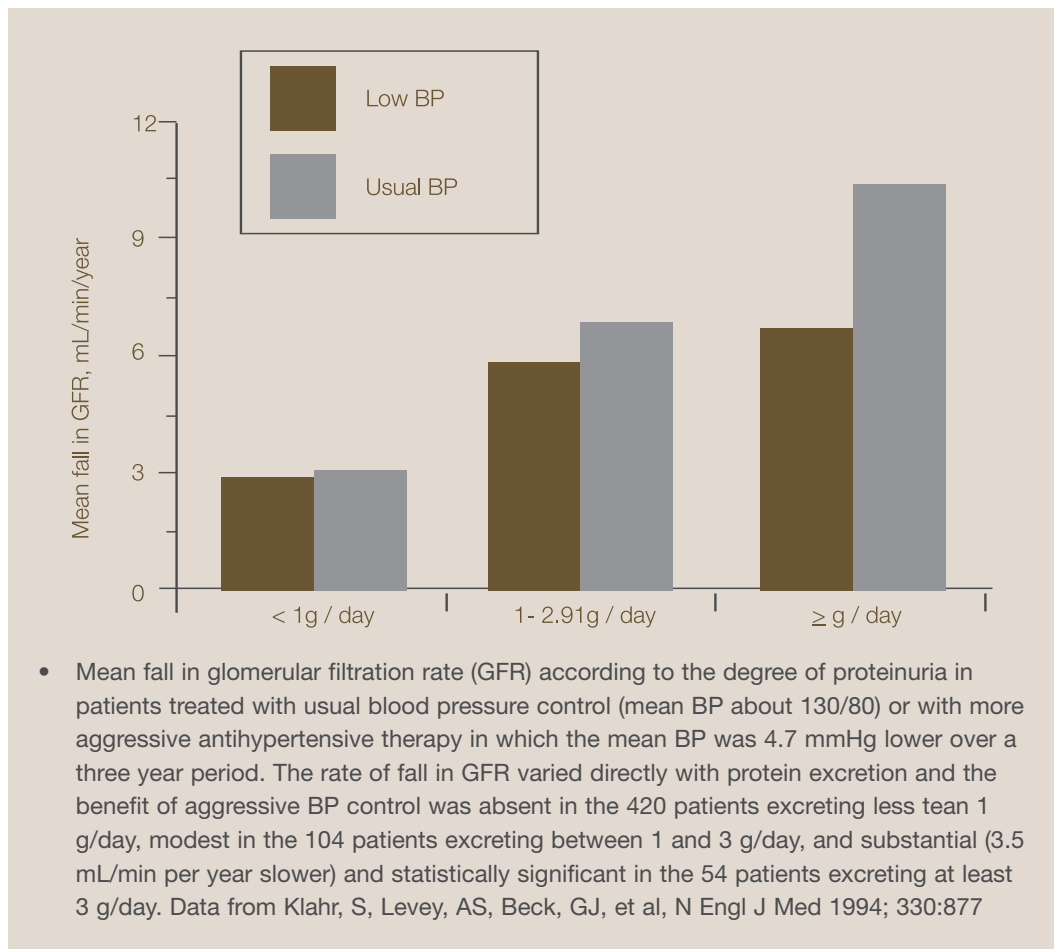


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- Mean fall in glomerular filtration rate (GFR) according to the degree of proteinuria in patients treated with usual blood pressure control (mean BP about 130/80) or with more aggressive antihypertensive therapy in which the mean BP was 4.7 mmHg lower over a three year period. The rate of fall in GFR varied directly with protein excretion and the benefit of aggressive BP control was absent in the 420 patients excreting less than 1 g/day, modest in the 104 patients excreting between 1 and 3 g/day, and substantial (3.5 mL/min per year slower) and statistically significant in the 54 patients excreting at least 3 g/day. Data from Klahr, S, Levey, AS, Beck, GJ, et al, N Engl J Med 1994; 330:877

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## Question

- What are the choices for anti-hypertensive drugs?
- In microalbuminuric stage?
- In overt nephropathy?
- ACE-I or ARB?

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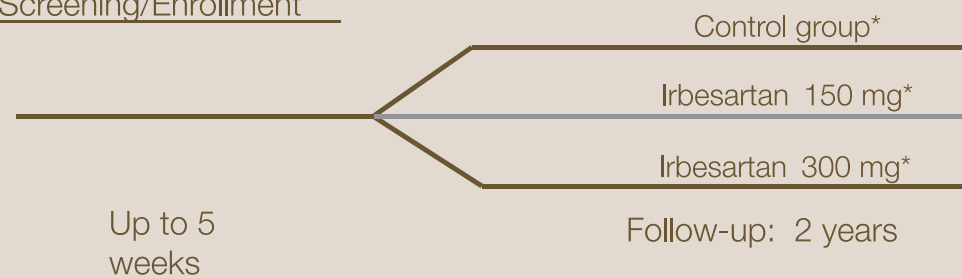
## Key Points

- ACE-I as effective as ARB in nephropathy
- ARBs effect are more class related
- The choice between thiazide, CCB, Beta-blocker, ACE-I or ARB for initial monotherapy does not have great clinical relevance since combination therapy will be required in almost all patients with HT and DM to attain goal of BP values

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## IRMA 2 Study Design

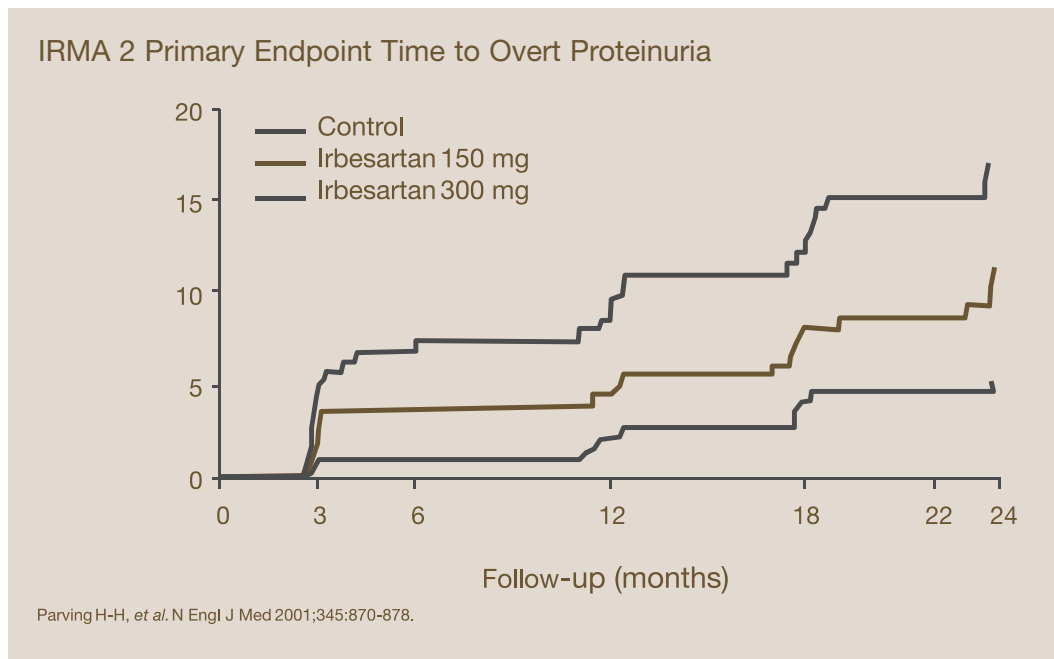
- 590 patients with hypertension, type 2 diabetes, microalbuminuria (albumin excretion rate 20–200 µg/min), and normal renal function

Screening/Enrollment

- Adjunctive antihypertensive therapies (excluding ACE inhibitors, angiotensin II receptor antagonists, and dihydropyridine calcium channel blockers) could be added to all groups to help achieve equal blood pressure levels.

Parving H-H, *et al.* N Engl J Med 2001;345:870-878.

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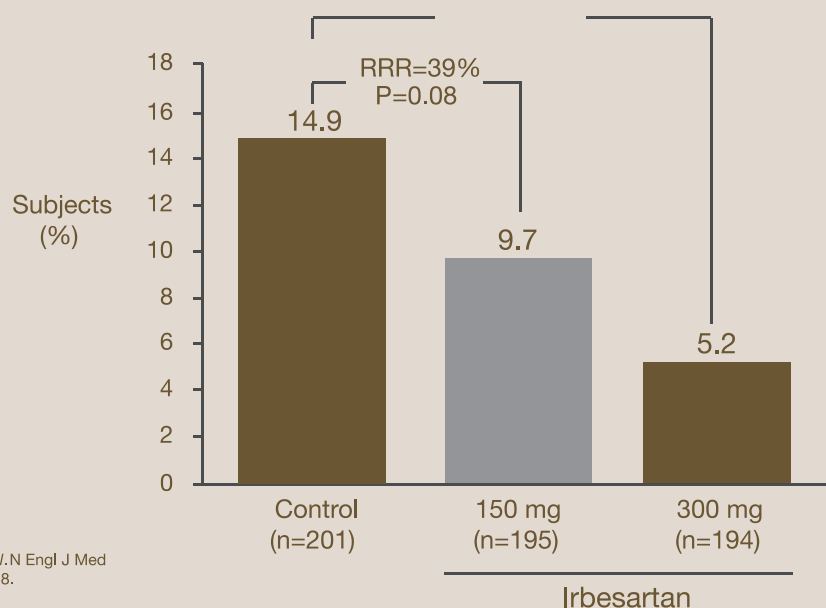


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## IRMA 2 Primary Endpoint Development of Overt Proteinuria

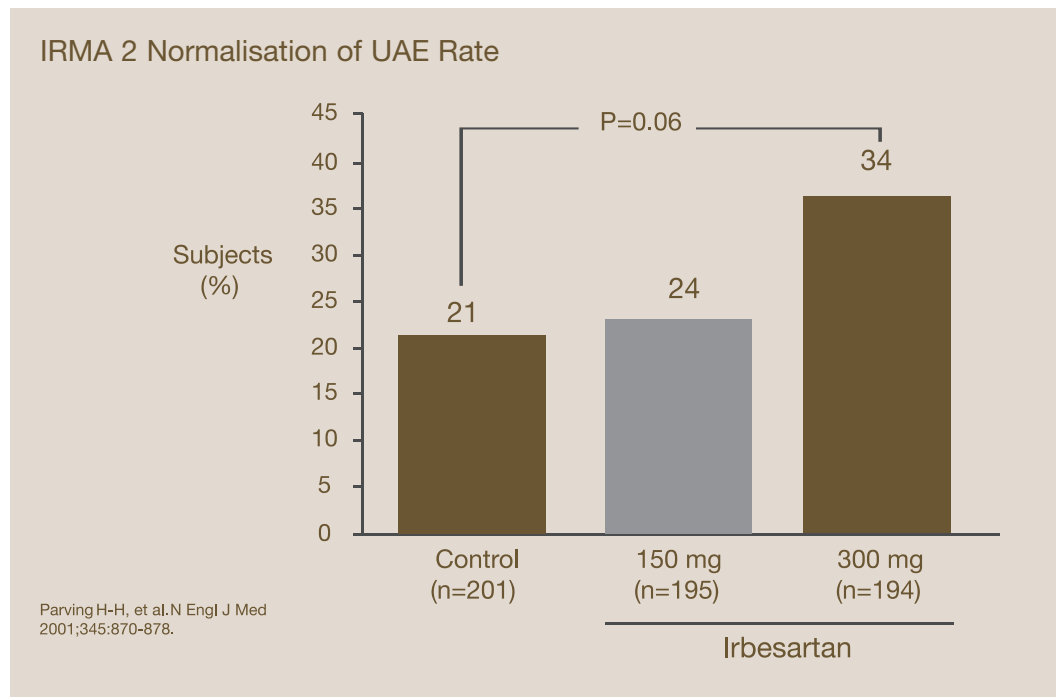


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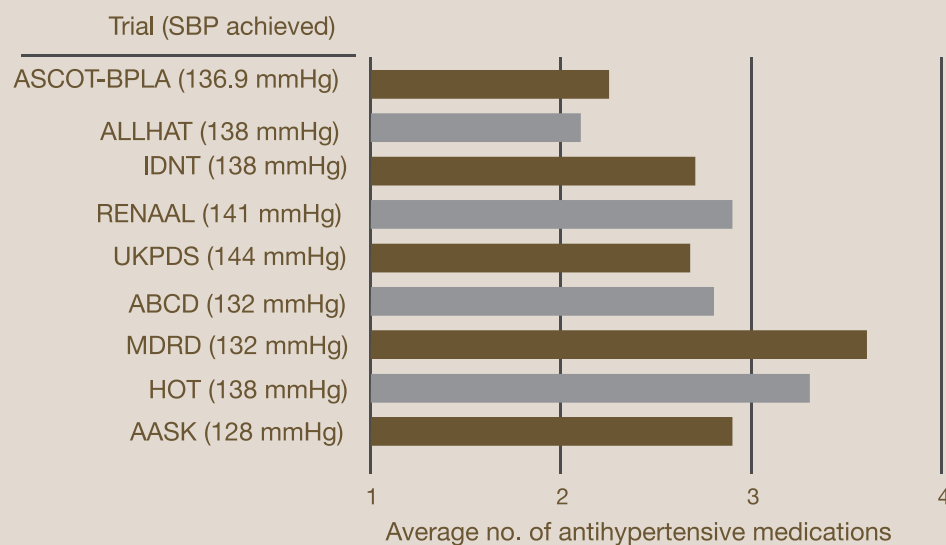


## Slide 16 - Notes

- Regression to normoalbuminuria (< 20 mg/min, or < 30 mg/day) at the last visit was more frequent in the patients treated with irbesartan 300 mg than in the control (placebo in addition to other non-excluded antihypertensive therapies) group (34% vs. 21%, respectively, p=0.006).

## Slide 17

## Multiple Antihypertensive Agents are Needed to Reach BP Goal



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## Slide 17 - Notes

- Major clinical trials have demonstrated that patients typically needed treatment with multiple antihypertensive agents to get to, and stay at, BP goal.
- The number of antihypertensive agents required for BP control in many patients typically averages 2–4, with co-morbid conditions (such as kidney disease or diabetes mellitus) imposing greater drug requirement.
- For example, in the Hypertension Optimal Treatment (HOT) study, an average of 3.3 drugs were required to attain a diastolic BP goal of <80 mmHg, and in the Anglo Scandinavian Cardiac Outcomes Trial-Blood Pressure Lowering Arm (ASCOT-BPLA), most patients were taking at least two antihypertensive agents by the end of the trial.

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### Recommendations for Multiple-mechanism Therapy: What the Treatment Guidelines Say: JNC 7

- “Most patients with hypertension will require two or more antihypertensive agents to achieve their BP goals”
- “When BP is more than 20 mmHg above systolic goal or 10 mmHg above diastolic goal, consideration should be given to initiate therapy with 2 drugs, either as separate prescriptions or in fixed-dose combinations”

#### Slide 18 - Notes

- The JNC 7 guidelines also acknowledge that most patients with hypertension will require two or more antihypertensive medications with different and complementary mechanisms to achieve BP goal.
- Indeed, the guidelines state that initiation of drug therapy with more than one agent may increase the likelihood of patients achieving their BP goal in a more timely manner.
- This has important implications because a rapid achievement of target BP may reduce the risk of cardiovascular events.

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### Question

- Is there a need for lipid lowering agent?

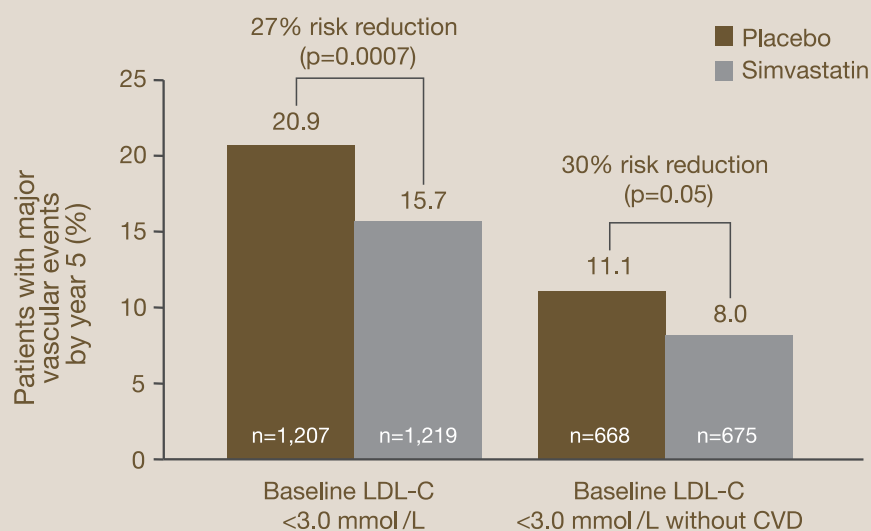
#### Slide 19 - Notes

##### Key Points

- Diabetic Patients with low LDL-CHOL: Benefit of statin treatment; Studies
  - HPS
  - CARE
  - CARDS

## Slide 20

## Impact of Simvastatin in Patients with Diabetes with Low LDL-C



Adapted from Heart Protection Study Collaborative Group Lancet 2003;361:2005-2016.

## Slide 20 - Notes

- In patients with diabetes and low baseline LDL-C (<3.0 mmol/L), simvastatin significantly reduced the risk of first major vascular events whether or not patients had prior cardiovascular disease. In all patients with diabetes and baseline LDL-C <3.0 mmol/L (116 mg/dl), simvastatin decreased the incidence of first major vascular events from 20.9% to 15.7%, a 27% risk reduction (p=0.0007). Patients with diabetes, low baseline LDL-C, and no prior cardiovascular disease also had a significant risk reduction with simvastatin (11.1% vs. 8.0%, 30% risk reduction, p=0.05)

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### Primary and Secondary Analyses

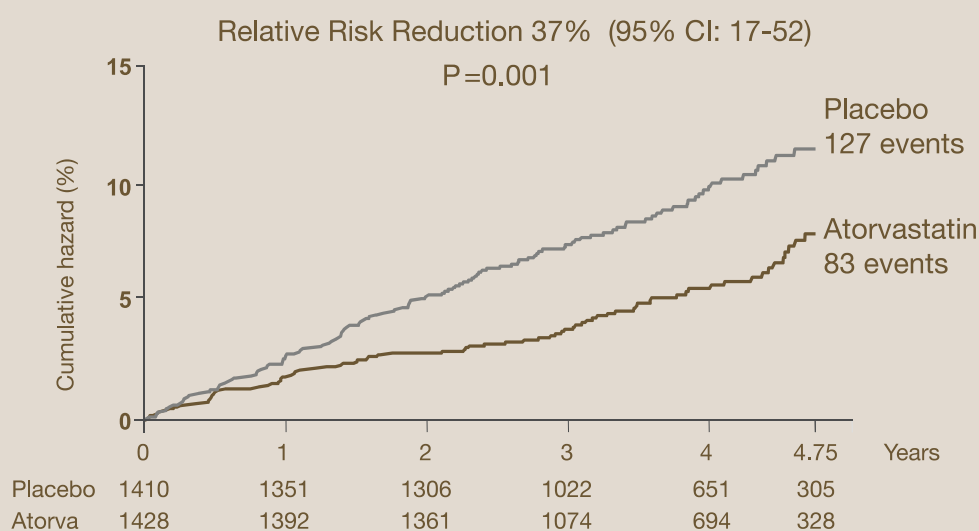
- Primary efficacy analysis - time to first primary end point
- Acute CHD death
- Non-fatal MI, including silent MI
- Unstable angina
- CABG or other coronary revascularisation
- Resuscitated cardiac arrest
- Stroke
- Secondary efficacy analyses
- All-cause mortality
- Time to first CV event
- Time to any CV event
- Lipid and lipoprotein changes

### Slide 21 - Notes

- The primary end point was considered the first of any of the following: acute CHD event (MI including silent infarction, unstable angina, acute CHD death, resuscitated cardiac arrest), coronary revascularisation procedures, or stroke (fatal or non-fatal).
- Secondary end points included the incidence of death, time to first CV event, and lipid and lipoprotein changes.
- Major coronary events are deaths from acute MI; other acute CHD deaths; and non-fatal MI, including silent infarction.
- Coronary revascularisation procedures include coronary artery bypass grafting (CABG) or percutaneous transluminal coronary angioplasty (PTCA).
- Unstable angina is defined as ischemic symptoms accompanied by electrocardiogram (ECG) changes or a troponin rise insufficient to be labeled MI.
- Resuscitated cardiac arrests are those that involved direct current (DC) shock treatments.
- Stroke includes focal neurologic deficits of sudden onset lasting more than 24 hours and subarachnoid haemorrhage regardless of symptom duration.

## Slide 22

## Effect of Atorvastatin on the Primary End Point: Major CV Events Including Stroke



Colhoun HM, Betteridge DJ, Durrington PN, et al. Lancet. 2004;364:685-696.

## Slide 22 - Notes

- The primary end point comprised the first of the following: acute CHD event (MI including silent infarction, unstable angina, acute CHD death, resuscitated cardiac arrest), coronary revascularisation procedures, or stroke (fatal or non-fatal). Treatment with atorvastatin 10 mg/day was associated with a highly significant 37% reduction in the incidence of the primary end point of major coronary events and stroke ( $P=0.001$ ).
- Not all patients were completely compliant with their randomised treatment. Had all patients remained on the treatment to which they had been allocated, the observed 37% risk reduction is a conservative estimate. One might argue that with perfect compliance, a risk reduction of up to 46% in the primary end point might have been expected.
- The observed risk reduction is consistent with that seen in HPS and ASCOT. The 37% reduction in major CVD events in CARDS is the largest point estimate of the treatment effect seen among the three trials of lipid lowering for primary prevention in diabetes. In patients with diabetes and no clinically-evident CVD, HPS demonstrated a 33% risk reduction over 5 years ( $P=.0003$ ) and ASCOT demonstrated a 23% risk reduction over 3.3 years ( $P<0.001$ ).

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## Slide 23

### Question

- Would you prescribe anti-platelets?

### Slide 23 - Notes

#### Key Points

- Aspirin benefit as secondary prevention is similar in diabetic and non-diabetic population.
- Primary prevention study suggest that there little evidence that aspirin is beneficial.
- Aspirin at a dose of 75 mg should be targeted at those with existing CV disease.

## Slide 24

### Case 2: Mr. Y.M.

## Slide 25

### Introduction

- Mr. Y.M., 59 year y.o. Malay male
- T2DM for last 6 years
- Weight 70.0 kg; height 165 cm
- BP 130/70 mmHg
- HbA<sub>1c</sub> 6.4 %
- LDL-Chol 2.8 mmol/L
- HDL-Chol 0.8 mmol/L
- TG 2.0 mmol/l

## Slide 26

### Current Medications

- Metformin 1 gm BD
- NPH insulin 34 U at bed time
- Amlodipine 5 mg OD
- Aspirin 75 mg OD

## Slide 27

## Questions

- Identify the patient's problems
- What are your further assessment?
- Comment on patient's current management
- Describe your plan of management

## Slide 28

## Case 3: Madam M.S.

## Slide 29

## Introduction

- 57 y.o. Indian woman
- Non-smoker
- Hypertension since age 38 years
- T2DM since age 42 years, now on OAD

## Slide 30

## At Follow-up

- Height 150 cm, weight 68.6 kg, waist 93 cm; BMI 30.5
- BP 145-155 / 90-98 mmHg
- HbA<sub>1c</sub> 7.6%
- Current treatment:
  - OAD
  - Atenolol 100 mg OD
  - Nifedipine 10 mg BD



## Slide 31

### Question

- Identify her problems.
- What other investigations would you ask for?

### Slide 31 - Notes

#### Key Points

- Poor BP control
- Obese
- Poor glycaemic control
- Request Renal Function Test + UFEME

## Slide 32

### Laboratory Investigations

- Renal function:
  - Urea 6.5 mmol/L
  - Na 138 mmol/L
  - K 4.9 mmol/L
  - Creatinine 100 umol/L
- Urine microscopy
  - Protein + (0.25)
  - RBC 5
  - WBC 3
  - Mucus +
  - Bacteria ++

## Slide 33

### Question

- What is your next step?
- Will you do a urine microalbumin?

### Slide 33 - Notes

#### Key Points

- No, not to do urine microalbumin until urine properly collected. Repeat urine microscopy (mid-stream).

## Slide 34

## Results

- Repeat mid-stream urine:
  - Urine protein trace
  - Cells 0
  - Bacteria - negative

## Slide 35

## Question

- So, how now?
- What to do about the BP?

*Slide 35 - Notes*

## Key Points

- Low salt diet
- Increase nifedipine
- Add thiazide
- Add ACE-I
- Add ARB
- Add  $\alpha$ -blocker

## Slide 36

## On Follow-up...

- Patient was started on Irbesartan 150 mg OD
- BP now 135 -140 / 85 mmHg

## Slide 37

### Question

- Are you satisfied?
- If not, what would you do next?

### *Slide 37 - Notes*

#### Key Points

- Increase dose of Irbesartan 300 mg OD
- Add Thiazide
- Add ACE-I

## Slide 38

### Next Follow-up...

- Dose of Irbesartan increased to 300 mg OD

## Slide 39

### Question

- If BP still not < 130 / 80 mmHg, what would you do?

### *Slide 39 - Notes*

#### Key Points

- Add Thiazide, half dose
- Change CCB, from Nifedipine to Amlodipine

## Slide 40

What about her lipids?

Date	December 1997	March 1999	September 1999
TG	1.9	2.9	2.1
TC	5.5	4.6	4.0
HDL	1.0	0.7	0.7
LDL	1.9	2.6	2.1

## Slide 41

## Question

- Are you happy with her lipid profile?
- If not, what's wrong?
- Will you give her medication?
- If yes, what?

## Slide 41 - Notes

## Key Points

- Patient has dyslipidaemia
- Start on statins

**TOPIC 9**

DIABETES DURING ACUTE ILLNESS,  
EMERGENCIES & SURGERY

MANAGEMENT OF TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS  
(4<sup>th</sup> Edition)

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## Slide 1

## Background

- OAD agents may not be adequate in maintaining euglycaemia during stress and emergency situations (e.g. infection, MI & surgery).
- In any form of stress, if glycaemic control is inadequate, OAD therapy should be replaced by insulin.
- DKA may develop during stress.
- OAD regimen may be resumed when stress has resolved.

## Slide 2

## During stress &amp; emergency surgery

Status of Control	Minor Surgery	Major Surgery
Acceptable control FPG < 8.0 mmol/L RPG < 11.0 mmol/L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stop OAD agent</li> <li>• Resume OAD agent post-op, once taking orally</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stop OAD agent</li> <li>• GIK regimen during op</li> <li>• s/c insulin post-op, once taking orally</li> </ul>
Poor control FPG ≥ 8.0 mmol/L RPG ≥ 11.0 mmol/L	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Stop OAD agent</li> <li>• GIK regimen (pre- and intra-op)</li> <li>• s/c insulin post-op, once taking orally</li> </ul>	

## Slide 3

## During stress &amp; emergency surgery (cont.)

- In elective surgery, delay operation until glycaemic control is achieved. Control with insulin or OAD agents as indicated.
- GIK regimen can be continued until food intake after surgery.
- Maintain insulin therapy post-surgery until stress is resolved and satisfactory wound healing is achieved.

**TOPIC 10**

# PREGNANCY IN DIABETES

MANAGEMENT OF TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS  
(4<sup>th</sup> Edition)

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## Slide 1

## Diabetes in Pregnancy

## Pregnancy related

- Gestational diabetes (GDM)

## Pre-existing diabetes

- Type 1 DM
- Type 2 DM

## Slide 2

## GDM - Definition

- Any degree of glucose intolerance with onset or first recognition during pregnancy.
- Applies whether insulin or only diet modification is used for treatment and whether or not the condition persists after pregnancy.
- Does not exclude the possibility that unrecognised glucose intolerance may have antedated or begun concomitantly with the pregnancy.

## Slide 3

## Maternal complications in diabetic pregnancy

- Hypoglycemia, ketoacidosis
- Pregnancy-induced hypertension
- Pyelonephritis, other infections
- Polyhydramnios
- Preterm labor
- Worsening of chronic complications – retinopathy, nephropathy, neuropathy, cardiac disease

## Slide 4

## Complications for infants of mothers with DM

- Congenital malformations
- Macrosomia
- Birth injury
- Asphyxia
- Respiratory Distress Syndrome
- Perinatal mortality
- Metabolic abnormalities
  - Hypoglycaemia, hypokalemia, hypocalcemia, hyperbilirubinemia, erythrosis



## Slide 5

### Screening

- Pregnant women should be screened if they have any of the following risk factors:
  - BMI > 27kg/m<sup>2</sup>
  - Previous macrosomic baby weighing 4 kg or above
  - Previous GDM
  - First-degree relative with diabetes
  - Bad obstetric history
  - Glycosuria at the first prenatal visit
  - Current obstetric problems (essential hypertension, pregnancy induced hypertension, polyhydramnios and current use of steroids)
  - Age above 25 years

## Slide 6

### Screening (cont.)

- Pregnant women should be screened at least once at > 24 weeks of gestation, using 75 gm OGTT.
- Screening at an earlier stage of gestation depends on the degree of suspicion and at the physician's / obstetrician's request.

## Slide 7

### Pregnancy and Pre-existing T2DM

- Women with pre-existing T2DM who are planning pregnancy should be referred to physician/diabetologist for further management.
- Pregnancy should be planned.
- Achieve good glycaemic control before conception, aim for HbA<sub>1c</sub> < 6.5%.
- Insulin therapy may be necessary before conception to achieve good glycaemic control.

## Slide 8

## Pre-conception care

- The importance of avoiding unplanned pregnancy should be an essential component of diabetes education for women with diabetes in reproductive age group.
- Offer pre-conception care and advice to women with diabetes who are planning to become pregnant before discontinuing contraception.

## Slide 9

## Pre-conception care (cont.)

- Establishing good glycaemic control before conception and continuing this throughout pregnancy will reduce the risk of miscarriage, congenital malformation, stillbirth and neonatal death.
- It is important to explain that risks can be reduced but not eliminated.

## Slide 10

## During Pregnancy

- Achieve and maintain ideal glucose levels.
- Advise women with insulin-treated diabetes of the risks of hypoglycaemia and hypoglycaemia unawareness in pregnancy, particularly in the first trimester.
- HbA<sub>1c</sub> (4-6 weekly)

## Slide 11

## Glycaemic targets in pregnancy

Timing	Glucose Level (mmol/L)
Pre-breakfast	3.5 – 5.9
Pre-prandial	3.5 – 5.9
1 hour post prandial	< 7.8
2 hour post prandial	4.4 – 6.7
0200 – 0400 hours	> 3.9

## Slide 12

### During Pregnancy (cont.)

Close SBGM is required (individualise frequency of monitoring):

- On diet therapy: pre-breakfast, 1 hour PPG levels (weekly-fortnightly)
- On insulin therapy: premeal (breakfast, lunch, dinner) and pre-bed (weekly-fortnightly). Once premeal glucose levels are achieved, PPG testing is recommended for fine-tuning of insulin dose

## Slide 13

### During Pregnancy (cont.)

- Insulin therapy is indicated when diet fails.
- Insulin lispro and aspart may be used.
- Although published data suggests that metformin and glibenclamide are safe, OAD agents are not generally recommended as they are not registered for use during pregnancy.

## Slide 14

### At Delivery

- GIK regimen can be used during delivery or lower segment Caesarean section (LSCS)
- Labour is exercise – need to reduce insulin dose
- Requires glucose substrate

## Slide 15

### Post-partum Care

- Insulin requirement drops immediately after delivery by 60 -75%.
- In breast-feeding, if glycaemic control is inadequate with diet therapy alone, insulin therapy should be continued at a lower dose.
- In non-breast-feeding mothers, OAD agents can be continued.

## Slide 16

## Postnatal Care

- Offer women who were diagnosed with GDM:
  - Lifestyle advice
  - OGTT

## Slide 17

## Summary

- Normoglycemia is the goal.
- Prevention of hypoglycemia is paramount especially during times of increased insulin sensitivity.
- To achieve goals: Increased glucose monitoring at peak postprandial glucose concentrations and at peak insulin levels.

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# Case Study: Diabetes in Pregnancy

## Management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus (4<sup>th</sup> Edition)

### Training Module For Health care Providers

#### Slide 1

##### Case 1: Madam B

##### Introduction: First Visit

- 35 y.o. Malay woman executive with history of T2DM for 3 years
- Recently married and wishes to start trying for a family immediately
- No other medical illness
- On OAD: Metformin 850 mg bd, Diamicron MR 2 tabs daily
- FPG 7.5 mmol/L, HbA<sub>1c</sub> 7.8%

#### Slide 2

##### Questions

- What should you do next?
- What general advice should she be given?

#### Slide 2 - Notes

##### Key Points

- Madam B is a 35-yr-old Malay woman, known T2DM for 3 years, on OAD and trying to conceive for the first time
- She has poor blood glucose control pre-conception
- She needs expert advice from Diabetologist or Physician (with interest in gestational diabetes)
- Madam B is in serious need of expert pre-pregnancy counselling. The importance of avoiding unplanned pregnancy should be an essential component of her diabetes education
- Establishing good glycaemic control before conception and continuing this throughout pregnancy will reduce the risk of miscarriage, congenital malformation, stillbirth and neonatal death.
- It is important to explain that risks can be reduced but not eliminated.
- Pregnancy should be planned. She should try to achieve good glycaemic control before conception, aim for HbA<sub>1c</sub> < 6.5%
- She will require Lifestyle modification advice and her OAD stopped, and started with insulin therapy at preconception

## Slide 3

## Questions

- How would you manage her blood glucose?
- How would you monitor her blood glucose?

*Slide 3 - Notes*

## Key Points

- Madam B should try to achieve good glycaemic control for at least 3 months before conception, aim for HbA<sub>1c</sub> < 6.5%
- Monitor using HbA<sub>1c</sub> two-monthly as well as frequent/individualise SBGM
- Her treatment should be changed to full insulin therapy and her OAD stopped
- She should get the go-ahead from her diabetologist/physician before trying to conceive

## Slide 4

## Case 2: Madam C

## Introduction: First Visit

- 35 y.o. Indian woman executive recently married is seen at the antenatal clinic (ANC) at 15 weeks gestation
- No prior medical illness
- Her pre-conception BMI was 28 kg/m<sup>2</sup>
- FH both parents have T2DM

## Slide 5

## Question

- At 15 weeks gestation, should you screen for GDM in her?

*Slide 5 - Notes*

## Key Points

- She has risk factors for GDM (age, BMI, FH), so should be screened early for it

## Slide 6

### Laboratory Results

- OGTT results
- FPG 5.3 mmol/L
- 2PPG 7.9 mmol/L

## Slide 7

### Questions

- What is her glucose status?
- What management is required?

### Slide 7 - Notes

#### Key Points

- OGTT showed normal FPG but abnormal 2PPG. So she has GDM.
- Her initial management is lifestyle modification advice and monitor blood glucose at fasting and post-prandial weekly or two-weekly. In third trimester monitor weekly.
- HbA<sub>1c</sub> should be monitored monthly. Evidence is not strong because of dilutional effect of pregnancy on haemoglobin but consensus groups suggests that it is a helpful guide to have.

## Slide 8

### On Follow-up...

- At 30 weeks of gestation, her SBGM are:
- FPG 5.8 mmol/L , 2PPG 7.1 mmol/L
- HbA<sub>1c</sub> is 7%
- Fetal USG normal

## Slide 9

## Questions

- What is her glucose status?
- What management is required?
- How should her BG be monitored now?

*Slide 9 - Notes*

## Key Points

- Her SBGM are all elevated as is her HbA<sub>1c</sub>.
- She now require full insulin therapy for her blood glucose control as well as counselling from dietician and diabetes nurse educator.
- SBGM monitoring while on insulin is FPG and Pre-Prandial BG twice weekly or weekly.

## Slide 10

## Case 3: Madam D.D.

## Introduction: First Visit

- 35 y.o. Chinese woman executive
- History of T2DM for 3 years
- Recently married and now pregnant at 11 weeks POA
- No other medical illness
- On OAD Metformin 850 mg daily, Diamicron 80 mg bd.
- Compliance to treatment suboptimal
- FPG 8.0 mmol/L, HbA<sub>1c</sub> 9.0%

## Slide 11

## Question

- What should you do next?

*Slide 11 - Notes*

## Key Points

- No previous counselling regarding pre-conception care in diabetes.
- She has poor blood glucose control currently.
- Madam D.D. needs to establish good glycaemic control ASAP to reduce the risk of miscarriage, stillbirth and neonatal death. Congenital malformation is no longer avoidable this late in the first trimester.
- It is important to explain that risks can be reduced but not eliminated.
- Her OAD should be stopped and insulin started.



## Slide 12

### On Follow-up...

- At 16 weeks, she had a miscarriage
- She is on insulin Mixtard bd with good glucose control
- She had D&C and was planned for discharge
- She request to go back on OAD

## Slide 13

### Question

- How should she be managed at this stage?

### Slide 13 - Notes

#### Key Points

- Madam DD needs counselling on preconception care in diabetes to reduce the risk of miscarriage, congenital malformation, stillbirth and neonatal death. It is important to explain that risks can be reduced but not eliminated.
- If she wishes to get pregnant again soon, she should remain on full insulin therapy and not go back on to OAD. Aim for good BG control from about 3 months before conceiving again.
- If she has no wish to get pregnant again soon, she may go back on OAD but try to maintain good BG control and practice lifestyle modification. She or her husband should practice contraception.
- When ready to conceive again, she should go back on Insulin therapy and achieve good BG control from about 3 months before conception.

## Slide 14

### Case 4: Madam E

#### Introduction: First Visit

- 35 y.o. Malay woman with history of T2DM for 3 years, G2 P0+2
- No other medical illness
- On OAD Metformin 850 mg daily, Diamicon 80mg bd
- Compliance to treatment good
- FPG 7.0 mmol/L, HbA<sub>1c</sub> 7.5%
- No proper preconception care previously
- Planning pregnancy again

## Slide 15

## Question

- What should you do next?

*Slide 15 - Notes*

## Key Points

- Blood glucose control currently not optimal.
- Need to give preconception counselling.
- Madam E needs to establish good glycaemic control from about 3 months pre-conception to reduce the risk of miscarriage, congenital malformation, stillbirth and neonatal death. It is important to explain that risks can be reduced but not eliminated.
- Her OAD should be stopped and full insulin therapy started.

## Slide 16

## On Follow-up...

- After 6 months of pre-conception care, she is pregnant at 8 weeks POA
- Her latest HbA<sub>1c</sub> was 6.2%
- She's on Mixtard 32u am, 26u pm

## Slide 17

## Question

- How would you continue to monitor her?

*Slide 17 - Notes*

## Key Points

- Madam E is pregnant again but this time she had good preconception care. HbA<sub>1c</sub> at conception was 6.2%.
- Madam E needs to maintain good glycaemic control from now on to reduce the risk of miscarriage, stillbirth and neonatal death. The risk of congenital malformation associated with poor BG control should be low for her.
- Perform SBGM weekly or two weekly.

## Slide 18

### At 16 weeks...

- At 16 wks gestation her SBGM are as follows:
  - FPG 6.0
  - Pre-lunch 5.2
  - Pre-dinner 6.0
  - Pre-bed 5.8
- On Mixtard 44u am, 32u pm
- No hypoglycaemic attack

## Slide 19

### Question

- Comment on her current glucose control

### Slide 19 - Notes

#### Key Points

- At 16 weeks POA her SBGM are not on target. The profile suggests that Mixtard is no longer suitable for her.
- She needs basal bolus regimen.
- Perform SBGM weekly or two weekly.

## Slide 20

### At 31 weeks...

- At 31 wks gestation, her SBGM are as follows:
  - FPG 6.8
  - Pre-lunch 4.2
  - Pre-dinner 5.0
  - Pre-bed 3.5
- On Actrapid 16, 20, 18; Insulatard 20 u
- Mild hypoglycaemic attack around 2 am

## Slide 21

## Questions

- Comment on her current glucose control
- How would you manage her?

*Slide 21 - Notes*

## Key Points

- At 31 weeks POA her SBGM are generally good except hypoglycaemic attack at 2 am, low BG pre-bed and probably rebound high at pre-breakfast.
- Decrease her night Actrapid and Insulatard by 2 units each. Take snacks pre-bed.
- Perform SBGM weekly.

## Slide 22

## At 34 weeks...

- At 34 wks gestation her SBGM are as follows:
  - FPG 5.1
  - Pre-lunch 4.2
  - Pre-dinner 4.8
  - Pre-bed 3.4
- On Actrapid 16, 20, 16; Insulatard 18 u
- Mild hypoglycaemic attack around pre-bed despite sufficient dinner and pre-bed snacks

## Slide 23

## Question

- Comment on her current glucose control
- How would you manage her?

*Slide 23 - Notes*

## Key Points

- At 34 weeks POA her SBGM are generally good except hypoglycaemic attack at pre-bed only.
- Change her dinner insulin to aspart at 14 units. Maintain all other insulins. She should get less or no hypo attack at pre-dinner.
- Perform SBGM weekly.
- If baby ok, discuss delivery at term with O&G. Will need GIK regimen during labour.

**TOPIC 11**

# SCREENING & DIAGNOSIS OF DIABETES COMPLICATIONS

MANAGEMENT OF TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS  
(4<sup>th</sup> Edition)

Training Module For Health Care Providers

## Slide 1

### Overview

#### Microvascular Complications:

- Retinopathy
- Nephropathy
- Neuropathy

#### Macrovascular Complications:

- Coronary Heart Disease
- Cerebrovascular Disease

#### Combination of Micro- and Macrovascular complications:

- Diabetic Foot
- Erectile Dysfunction

## Slide 2

### Retinopathy: Screening

- Initial assessment should be conducted at time of diagnosis of T2DM and annually thereafter.
- Pregnant women with T2DM (not gestational diabetes) should have retinal examination during each trimester.

## Slide 3

### Eye Examination

- Visual acuity assessed with Snellen chart and any refractive error corrected with pinhole in addition to asking patient to wear bifocals or glasses for presbyopia.
- Fundus examination must be conducted through dilated pupil (tropicamide 0.5% or 1.0%) using direct ophthalmoscope to improve sensitivity.
- Photography with non-mydratic fundus camera may be used to screen large number of patients.

## Slide 4

### Retinopathy: Treatment

- Achieve and maintain tight glycaemic and blood pressure control.
- Patients with pre-proliferative or proliferative retinopathy may experience temporary worsening of retinopathy when blood glucose level rapidly lowered.

## Slide 5

### Referral to ophthalmologist

- Unexplained poor vision
- Diabetic retinopathy greater than occasional micro-aneurysms
- Macular oedema or hard exudates within the macula

## Slide 6

### Urgent referral to ophthalmologist

- Sudden visual deterioration
- New vessels on funduscopy
- Rubeosis iridis
- Vitreous haemorrhage
- Retinal detachment

## Slide 7

### Nephropathy: Introduction

- Major cause of chronic kidney disease (CKD) contributing to 57% of new patients requiring dialysis in 2007 in Malaysia.
- Also major risk factor for cardiovascular morbidity and mortality.
- Diagnosis made clinically by the presence of proteinuria (either microalbuminuria or overt proteinuria).
- Progression to ESRD requiring renal replacement therapy occurs in majority of patients, particularly those with poor diabetic and blood pressure control.

## Slide 8

## Nephropathy: Screening

- Screening for proteinuria should be performed at diagnosis and annually.
- Urine should be screened for proteinuria with conventional dipstick on an early morning urine specimen.
- If urine dipstick for proteinuria is negative, screening for microalbuminuria should be performed on an early morning urine specimen.
- If microalbuminuria is detected, confirmation should be made with two further tests within 3 to 6 months.
- If microalbuminuria is not detected, re-screening should be performed annually.

## Slide 9

## Nephropathy: Management

- If proteinuria detected, 24-hour urine or overnight timed urine should be collected for protein (or a urine protein-creatinine ratio).
- BP and glycaemic control crucial in preventing or retarding progression of diabetic nephropathy.
- Target BP: < 130 / 80 mmHg, but in patients with proteinuria > 1 g/day, target is 125 / 75 mmHg. Several anti-hypertensive agents will be needed to achieve these targets.
- ACEIs or ARBs should be initiated unless contra-indicated to slow progression of diabetic nephropathy.
- Other measures: lipid control, stopping smoking, weight reduction and moderate protein and salt restriction.

## Slide 10

## Referral to nephrologist

- Serum creatinine > 200  $\mu\text{mol/L}$
- Earlier in patients with:
  - haematuria
  - nephritic syndrome
  - absence of retinopathy (where the diagnosis of diabetic nephropathy may be in doubt)
  - difficult to control blood pressure
  - worsening renal function



## Slide 11

### Neuropathy: Introduction

- Diabetic peripheral neuropathy - "the presence of symptoms and/or signs of peripheral nerve dysfunction in people with diabetes after the exclusion of other causes".
- Diabetic peripheral neuropathy may be asymptomatic in large proportion of cases (up to 50%).

## Slide 12

### Types of Diabetic Neuropathies

- Distal symmetrical polyneuropathy
- Proximal asymmetrical neuropathy (diabetic amyotrophy)
- Autonomic neuropathy
- Radiculopathy
- Mononeuritis multiplex

## Slide 13

### Neuropathy: Screening

- Diabetic peripheral neuropathy may be diagnosed by bedside clinical methods
  - a. 10-g Semmes-Weinstein monofilament pressure sensation
  - b. 128 Hz tuning fork vibration perception (on-off or absolute)
  - c. Ankle jerks (deep tendon reflexes)
  - d. Pin prick
- These bedside tests should be performed at least annually.

## Slide 14

### Neuropathy

#### Prevention

- Diabetic peripheral neuropathy can be prevented by maintaining good glycaemic control.

#### Treatment

- Relief of symptoms includes the use of anticonvulsant agents e.g. gabapentin, lamotrigine, carbamazepine or tricyclic antidepressants e.g. amitriptyline.
- Achieve tight glycaemic control.

## Slide 15

## Coronary Heart Disease: Screening

- Typical symptoms of CHD warrant prompt referral to cardiologist for further assessment.
- Screening asymptomatic patients for CHD:  
Performance of resting ECG  
and
- Application of an established cardiovascular risk assessment tool (Framingham Risk Score or UKPDS Risk Engine)

## Slide 16

## CHD: Screening (cont.)

- Those with peripheral or cerebrovascular disease
- Those leading a sedentary lifestyle, age  $\geq 35$  years and plan to begin a vigorous exercise program
- Those with two or more of the risk factors:
- Total cholesterol  $> 4.0$  mmol/L, LDL cholesterol  $> 2.0$  mmol/L, or HDL cholesterol  $< 1.0$  mmol/L for males and 1.2 mmol/L for females
  - BP  $> 130/85$  mmHg
  - Smoking
  - Family history of premature CHD
  - Positive micro / macro-albuminuria test

## Slide 17

## Aspirin for Primary Prevention

- Primary prevention of CVD with low dose aspirin (75-100 mg) is NOT recommended in people with diabetes unless they are at high risk based on Framingham Risk Assessment Score.

## Slide 18

## Diabetic Foot: Introduction

- Foot ulcerations and amputations are major causes of morbidity and mortality in patients with diabetes.
- Peripheral neuropathy predisposes to ulcerations and vasculopathy retards the healing process.

## Slide 19

### Prevention of Foot Ulcers

- Prevention starts with examination of the feet and identifying those at high risk of ulceration.
- Those patients at risk are then given foot care education to reduce the likelihood of future ulcers.
- The feet should be examine at least once annually or more often in the presence of risk factors.

## Slide 20

### Risk Factors for Foot Ulcers

1. Previous amputation
2. Past foot ulcer history
3. Peripheral neuropathy
4. Foot deformity
5. Peripheral vascular disease
6. Visual impairment
7. Diabetic nephropathy (especially patients on dialysis)
8. Poor glycaemic control
9. Cigarette smoking

## Slide 21

### Diabetic Foot: Assessment

- Neuropathy assessed with 10 g monofilament and one other modality i.e. pin prick, vibration sense using 128 Hz tuning fork, ankle reflexes or vibration perception threshold testing using biothesiometer.
- Loss of protective sensation (LOPS) would be considered present if one or more of the tests abnormal.
- Vasculopathy assessed by asking for symptoms of claudication and examining dorsalis pedis and posterior tibial pulses.

## Slide 22

## Foot Care Advice

Relevant education for patients:

- In reduced sensation, look at feet daily using mirror to detect early ulcerations
- Wear flat, soft and well fitted shoes to avoid callosities
- Ensure no foreign objects in shoes before putting feet in
- Have one pair of shoes for indoor use as well

## Slide 23

## Diabetic Foot: Management

- Ulcers in patient with any of the above risk factors warrant early referral to specialist for future shared care.
- Ulcers with cellulitis require antibiotics.
- Trauma induced ulcers with no other risk factors require standard wound care and close follow-up until full recovery.

## Slide 24

## Erectile Dysfunction: Introduction

- Erectile Dysfunction (ED) defined as consistent or recurrent inability to attain and/or maintain penile erection sufficient for sexual performance.
- ED affects about 34-45% of men with diabetes.
- ED results from vasculopathy and/or autonomic neuropathy and/or psychological factors.
- Risk factors include increasing age, increasing duration of diabetes, poor glycaemic control, smoking, hypertension, dyslipidaemia and CVD.

## Slide 25

## ED: Screening

- All adult males over the age of 40 should be asked about ED .
- Preservation of early morning erection suggests psychological cause.
- Screening can be done using the 5-item version of the International Index of Erectile Function (IIEF) questionnaire.

## Slide 26

### ED: Treatment

- Avoid medications (if possible) that may cause ED:
  - Anti-hypertensives (thiazides, beta blockers, methyldopa, spironolactone)
  - Anti-depressants and tranquilisers
  - NSAIDS
  - H2 antagonists (cimetidine)
  - Narcotics
  - Miscellaneous drugs (ketoconazole, anti-cancer agents)
- Psychosexual counselling recommended in functional ED.

## Slide 27

### ED: Treatment (cont.)

- Phosphodiesterase-5 (PDE-5) inhibitors e.g. sildenafil, tadalafil and vardenafil can be used to treat ED.
- PDE-5 inhibitors contraindicated in unstable angina, poor exercise tolerance or nitrate medication.
- Referral to a urologist may be necessary for those not responding to PDE-5 inhibitors.
- Other therapies include intracavernosal injections, e.g. intraurethral alprostadil, vacuum devices with constricting band and surgery.

# Case Study: Management of Chronic Complications

## Management of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus (4<sup>th</sup> Edition)

### Training Module For Health care Providers

#### Slide 1

##### Introduction

- Mr. R.S., 48 y.o. male teacher
- Diabetic since 1992 at age 32 years.
- Treated with OHA
- Since 2003, insulin added to OHA
- Family history – both parents had DM
- In 2003, noted to have mild non-proliferative retinopathy both eyes.

#### Slide 2

##### On Examination...

- Weight 74 kg
- Height 169 cm
- WC 94 cm
- BP 130/80 mmHg
- Both eyes: dot and blot haemorrhages, hard exudates
- Both feet: reduced sensation

## Slide 3

## Investigations

HbA <sub>1c</sub>	13.0%
FPG	4.3 mmol/l
TG	1.7 mmol/l
TChol	5.8 mmol/l
LDL-Chol	3.8 mmol/l
HDL-Chol	1.3 mmol/l
Creat	106 umol/l
Urine alb	trace

## Slide 4

## Current Treatment

- S/C Actrapid pre-meals 14 units TDS
- S/C Lantus 20 units ON
- Metformin 850 mg TDS
- Amlodipine 5 mg OD
- Losartan 100 mg OD
- Metoprolol 100 mg BD
- Atorvastatin 40 mg ON
- Fenofibrate 160 mg OD
- Aspirin 150 mg OD

## Slide 5

## Question

What are his problems?

## Slide 5 - Notes

## Key Points

- Long standing poorly controlled diabetes
- Hypertension on treatment
- Dyslipidaemia (LDL 3.8, TC 5.8, TG normal)
- Presence of diabetes complications (retinopathy, peripheral neuropathy)

## Slide 6

## Question

- How would you manage him?

*Slide 6 - Notes*

## Key Points

- Teach patient self titration insulin adjustments
- Check on monitoring on blood sugar
- Check insulin injection techniques
- Optimise dyslipidaemia therapy
- If confirmed nephropathy, target BP is 125/70.
- Aspirin appropriate as patient have multiple risk factors
- Refer to eye specialist
- Foot care (as having neuropathy)
- Review dietary practices
- Weight reduction.
- Physical activity

## Slide 7

## Case 2: Madam Z.M.

## Introduction

- 42 y.o. lady, Para 1
- T2DM diagnosed in 2000 - Presented with left foot infection and severe hyperglycaemia – required I & D
- Started on Metformin
- Usual follow-up in Hospital Kajang

## Slide 8

## In Mac 2005...

- Mac 2005 – amputation of left big toe for complicated infection in Hospital Kajang
- Mac 2005 – also diagnosed with Hypertension
- Urine protein 3+
- Symptomatic peripheral neuropathy
- Referred to diabetes clinic, HPJ



## Slide 9

### At Hosp. Putrajaya...

- Seen in HPJ April 2005
- BP 170/100 mmHg
- Wt. 65 kg; BMI 26 kg/m<sup>2</sup>; WC 88 cm
- Bilateral leg oedema
- Proliferative retinopathy
- Peripheral neuropathy
- Foot deformity and chronic foot ulcer
- Proteinuria

## Slide 10

### Laboratory Results

- HbA<sub>1c</sub> 8.1%
- Haemoglobin 9.3 g% - normocytic normochromic
- Lipids: TC 7.2; LDL 4.3; HDL 2.2; TG 1.4; 24 h urine protein 2.2 g 24h
- Creatinine 155 µmol/L

## Slide 11

### Questions

- Comment on her status?
- What complications does she have?
- What would you do to improve the glycaemic control?
- How would you manage her other problems?

### Slide 11 - Notes

#### Key Points

- Poor glycaemic control
- Already have hypertension & dyslipidaemia
- Complications: Neuropathy, diabetic foot, retinopathy, nephropathy
- Requires multidisciplinary management
- For glycaemic control: add on Bedtime Insulin, stop Metformin
- Add statins + of anti HPT
- Regular or 3 monthly follow-up
- Referral to Diabetes Nurse Educator
- Referred to Dietician (if available)
- Self Blood Glucose Monitoring
- Correct anemia - haematinics
- Early referral to Nephrologist
- Referral to Ophthalmologist



**APPENDIX  
1**

TEMPLATES FOR TRAINING  
PROGRAM / SCHEDULE  
MANAGEMENT OF TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS  
(4<sup>th</sup> Edition)  
Training Module For Health Care Providers

# Training Program

Implementation Of The Clinical Practice Guideline  
In The Management Of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus  
(4<sup>th</sup> Edition), 2009

	Topic	Speaker
Day 1		
	Registration	
2000-2045	Pre-Test	
	Overview of Diabetes CPG	
2045-2115	Screening & Diagnosis	
2115-2130	Prevention of Diabetes	
2130-2200	Case studies (Screening & Diagnosis)	
	End of Day 1	
Day 2		
0830-0930	Medical Nutrition Therapy Physical Activity	
0930-1000	Case studies (MNT & PA)	
1000-1030	Morning tea	
1030-1130	Oral Anti-Diabetic Agents	
1130-1230	Insulin Therapy	
1230-1400	Lunch	
1400-1500	Case study (OAD & Insulin Therapy)	
1500-1600	Management of HPT & Dyslipidaemia	
1600-1700	Case studies (Management of co-morbidities)	
2000-2030	Management of diabetes during acute illness, emergencies & surgery	
2030-2115	Diabetes in Pregnancy	
2115p-2200	Case studies (Management during acute situations & pregnancy)	
	End of Day 2	
Day 3		
0830-1000	Screening & Diagnosis of Diabetes Complications	
1000-1030	Morning tea	
1030-1130	Case studies (Diabetes complications)	
1130-1230	Final discussion	
	Post-Test	
	End of Training Session	

**APPENDIX  
2**

PRE-TEST & POST-TEST  
QUESTIONNAIRE

MANAGEMENT OF TYPE 2 DIABETES MELLITUS  
(4<sup>th</sup> Edition)

Training Module For Health Care Providers

# Pre-test & Post-test Questionnaire

## Implementation Of The Clinical Practice Guideline In The Management Of Type 2 Diabetes Mellitus (4<sup>th</sup> Edition), 2009

SELECT the best answer for each question on the given answer sheet.

- 
- 1) The primary problem of diabetes is that:
- The body cannot digest sugar and carbohydrates
  - Insulin is not moving enough glucose into the cells or there is a lack of insulin
  - The liver produces too much sugar and it builds up in the blood stream
  - There is a defect in the kind of insulin that is made and the body does not recognise it
  - The kidney excretes glucose leading to compensatory increased glucose production
- 
- 2) Fatimah is 52 years of age. She first had high blood sugar when she was pregnant but she was fine after delivery. About 10 years ago at a routine check up, her doctor said she had diabetes and started her on oral diabetes pills. She had maintained blood sugars in target range until recently and she just started on Insulin. What kind of diabetes do you think she most likely has?
- Gestational Diabetes
  - Type 1 Diabetes
  - Type 2 Diabetes
  - Stable or borderline diabetes.
  - Secondary Diabetes.
- 
- 3) Diabetic retinopathy, all are true except:
- Microaneurysms is the first ophthalmologic sign
  - Hard exudates are characteristic
  - Prominent soft exudates indicates an advanced retinopathy state or an associated
  - IRMAs (intra-retinal vascular abnormalities) mainly indicate a pre-proliferative stage
  - Venous loops and beadings are seen mainly in proliferative stage
- 
- 4) Which lunch meal probably contains the most carbohydrates?
- Chicken and Vegetable soup with a few crackers
  - Rice and Samosa
  - Rice and Dhal Curry
  - Grilled beef patty, cottage cheese and slice tomatoes
  - Yong Tau Fu

- 5) Which is considered one serving or one carbohydrate 'choice' and contains about 15 grams of carbohydrate?
- a. Half (1/2) cup of fruit juice
  - b. 1 cup of milk
  - c. 3 teaspoons of sugar
  - d. One third (1/3) of a cup rice
  - e. All of the above
- 
- 6) To lower your risk of heart and blood vessel diseases and to lower cholesterol, the single most important type of fat to reduce is:
- a. Saturated fat (meat, whole milk dairy products)
  - b. Monounsaturated fats (olive oil, avocado)
  - c. Polyunsaturated fat (corn oil, safflower oil)
  - d. Trans-fatty acids (margarines)
  - e. Cholesterol (eggs, liver)
- 
- 7) Diabetic ketoacidosis, all are true except:
- a. Caused by severe and absolute insulin deficiency
  - b. Average fluid loss is 6 liters and potassium loss is 330 meq/L
  - c. Any sudden impairment in consciousness during treatment should alert you to possibility of brain edema
  - d. Sudden gastric dilatation may occur
  - e. Leukocytosis indicates infection
- 
- 8) Supposed that you are taking a medication that can lower the blood sugar. If you begin to feel a little shaky and weak and a blood sugar check shows the level at 3.4 mmol/L, what is the recommended action?
- a. Lie down and rest for about 30 minutes; avoid strenuous exercise
  - b. Drink a tall glass of orange juice with several spoons of sugar stirred in
  - c. Have a few peanut butter crackers or a small chocolate bar
  - d. Eat 3 to 4 glucose tablets or drink a half (1/2) can of regular soda/coke
  - e. Call 911 or 999 for help
- 
- 9) The recommended action to take if you are sick and do not feel like eating is to:
- a. Stop taking insulin or pills to avoid risk of low blood sugar
  - b. Take half (1/2) the dose of your diabetes medication
  - c. Take the usual dose of your diabetes medication and must have a light meal
  - d. Double the dose of your diabetes medication
  - e. Take a high protein diet without medication
- 
- 10) The target range for blood glucose before meals is:
- a. 2.8 to 3.9 mmol/L
  - b. 3.9 to 6.9 mmol/L
  - c. 6.9 to 8.9 mmol/L
  - d. 8.9 to 11.1 mmol/L
  - e. 12.0 to 15.9 mmol/L

11) Patients with diabetes have no control over the development of complications.

- a. True
  - b. False
  - c. True for chronic complications
  - d. True for acute complications
  - e. True in Type 1 Diabetes
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12) "Tight" control of diabetes means:

- a. Keeping blood glucose as close to normal as possible
  - b. Frequent self-monitoring
  - c. Reduced complications
  - d. Adequate knowledge of diabetes
  - e. All of the above
- 

13) What is the maximum dose per day for metformin in order to achieve diabetes control?

- a. 1 gm
  - b. 2 gm
  - c. 3 gm
  - d. 1.5 gm
  - e. 750 mg
- 

14) Which two from the following list are contraindications to the use of TZDs?

- i) BP > 170/95
  - ii) Concurrent use of insulin
  - iii) TG > 5 mmol/L
  - iv) BG > 24 mmol/L
  - v) ALT greater than 2.5 times limit of normal
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- a. i and ii
  - b. ii and v
  - c. iv and ii
  - d. iv and v
  - e. i and v
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15) Which two of the following list are long acting insulin analogues?

- i) Determir
  - ii) Ultralente
  - iii) Glargine
  - iv) Exubera
  - v) Mixtard 30
- 
- a. i and iv
  - b. i and ii
  - c. iii and iv
  - d. i and iii
  - e. iii and v



16) For OAD to work, the body must be able to make some insulin.

- a. Possible
  - b. True
  - c. False
  - d. Sometimes
  - e. None of the above
- 

17) The insulin cartridge in your pen that's being used should be stored in:

- a. A cool, dry place
  - b. The freezer
  - c. The medicine cabinet
  - d. The refrigerator
  - e. The oven
- 

18) Which exercise is best for patients with "insensitive" feet?

- a. Swimming
  - b. Jogging
  - c. Running
  - d. Tap dancing
  - e. Skipping
- 

19) If blood glucose is more than 16.7 mmol/L, insulin should be adjusted or exercise should be delayed.

- a. False
  - b. True
  - c. Maybe
  - d. Possible
  - e. Not necessary
- 

20) Carbohydrates should make up what percent of your total daily calories?

- a. 5% to 10%
  - b. 15%
  - c. 40%
  - d. 55% to 60%
  - e. 70% to 80%
- 

21) Oral glucose tolerance test, all are true except:

- a. Is not used in the routine diagnosis of diabetes mellitus
- b. There should be unrestricted carbohydrate diet 3 days before test
- c. The patient may be allowed to smoke during the test
- d. The patient should fast overnight
- e. If the 2 hours plasma glucose is between 7.8-11.1mmol/L it is called impaired glucose tolerance test

22) Diagnosis of diabetes mellitus, all are true except:

- a. Glycated hemoglobin is not used for the diagnosis
- b. The presence of glycosuria should warrant further investigation and should not used a diagnostic per se
- c. Ketonuria is not pathognomonic for diabetes and may found in normal people after prolonged fasting or exercise
- d. The fasting blood glucose is always preferred over the random one in the diagnosis
- e. The random blood glucose of more than 11.1 mmol/L on 2 or more occasion is diagnostic for diabetes mellitus

23) Diabetic peripheral neuropathy; all are true except:

- a. Variable combination of axonopathy and demyelination and thickening Schwann cell basal lamina
- b. Overall seen in 50% of cases and usually not that symptomatic
- c. May be associated with Charcot joints
- d. Mainly motor and is irreversible
- e. May cause tropic ulceration in the feet

24) A 54 years old man with Type 2 Diabetes is now on full replacement insulin therapy. He experienced a hypoglycemia episode at 4.00 p.m. His current insulin therapy is Insulatard 30 units & Actrapid 12 units (before breakfast), Insulatard 16 units & Actrapid 8 units (before dinner). BGMS/SMBG on that day showed blood glucose of 6.0 mmol/L before breakfast & 5.8 mmol/L before lunch.

The following factors can lead to the hypoglycemia except:

- a. Inadequate carbohydrate intake at lunch time.
- b. Excessive dose of Insulatard in the morning
- c. Mowing the lawn and heavy lifting at 3.00 p.m
- d. Inadequate carbohydrate intake at breakfast time
- e. Episode of nausea and vomiting after eating lunch

25) In the absence of other factors; appropriate change in therapy is needed. Which of the following would be the sensible action?

- a. Stopping insulin and re-starting oral anti-diabetic agent
- b. Reducing the next day morning dose of Actrapid
- c. Reducing the next day morning dose of Insulatard
- d. Reducing the evening dose of Actrapid
- e. Increasing the evening dose of Insulatard

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Pre-Test ☐  
Post-Test ☐**ANSWER SHEET: PRE-TEST & POST-TEST QUESTIONNAIRE****IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CLINICAL PRACTICE GUIDELINE IN THE MANAGEMENT OF TYPE 2  
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CIRCLE the best answer for each question.

Question No.

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## ANSWERS

## PRE-TEST &amp; POST-TEST QUESTIONNAIRE

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