



Welcome!

MCT2D Fall Regional Meetings

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Prediabetic for many years,
diagnosed with T2D in Feb 2022

I don't know if it was my doctor's approach but it was what I needed, at the right time. It made all the difference.

In our first appointment, immediately, she says enough playing around. Your numbers have been going up and up and up. And it's time to take this serious. **It was very emotional. I've never cried like that in a doctor's office before.**

She put my name in for the diabetes education and started me on a prescription of Rybelsus. But it was the perfect conversation to have at the right time when I needed to make this change. So I'm grateful to it.

Year in Review

Meetings

Spring Regional Meetings (April/May 2022)

- First time convening practice clinical champions
- Introduced to the MCT2D Data Dashboards
- Discussed barriers and challenges amongst peers
- Learned about chronic kidney disease

Collaborative Wide Meeting (June 2022)

Available on YouTube!

- Convened physician organization leadership
- Shared best practices and implementation strategies from pilot/accelerated sites
- Keynote speaker (Dr. David Ludwig) presentation on low carbohydrate diets
- Demonstrated cost savings of SGLT2is/GLP-1RAs



Year in Review

What We've Been Working On

Launching the Learning Community

- Hosting educational events
- Learning Community Newsletter
- Learning from you (blog posts, patient stories, feedback)

Submitting Case Summaries

Each MCT2D physician submitted a case summary about their experience with the initiatives. **We are using these case summaries for the following:**

- Case examples
- Understanding needs (e.g. prioritized low carb resource creation based on feedback)
- Learning challenges with each initiative
- Demonstrating challenges to key stakeholders (e.g. insurers)



Year in Review

What we've been working on: new tools and resources!

BUILDING YOUR PLATE

Follow the 4-step process to create delicious low carb meals



STEP 1: Pick a Protein

Choose a high-quality protein source like chicken, fish, seafood, beef, eggs, or soy.

STEP 2: Add Non-Starchy Vegetables (Half your plate)

Fill half your plate with non-starchy vegetables like salad, green beans, or cauliflower.

STEP 3: Add Some Fats (Pick one or two)

Add some fats from oil, sauces, or full-fat dairy like cheese.

STEP 4: Add 1-2 Servings of Complex Carbs

Include 1-2 servings of high-quality carbs like turkey, chicken, or beef.

LOW CARB LIFESTYLE for Type 2 Diabetes

What is a low carb lifestyle? A low carb lifestyle limits your intake of carbohydrates (carbs) from foods like grains, starchy vegetables, fruit, sugary snacks, and beverages and emphasizes proteins, non-starchy vegetables, and healthy fats.



Meal with ~16g of carbs



Meal with ~47g of carbs



Meal with ~150g of carbs



PRIVATE & PBM COVERAGE for Anti-Obesity Meds

	PHENTERMINE Generic: High Dose Oat: Daily w/ Meals	LOMAIRA Phentermine & Low Dose Oat: Daily w/ Meals	QSYMIA Phentermine Topiramate Oat: Daily	CONTRACE Naltrexone/HCI Bupropion HCl Oat: 2x/Day	SAXENDA Liraglutide Injectable: Daily	WEGOVY Semaglutide Injectable: Weekly
AETNA	Preferred PA	Not Covered	Preferred	Not Covered	Preferred PA	Preferred PA
BCBSM	Preferred	Non-Preferred	Non-Preferred PA	Non-Preferred PA	Non-Preferred PA	Preferred PA
EXPRESS SCRIPTS National Preferred	Preferred	Preferred	Non-Preferred PA	Non-Preferred PA	Non-Preferred PA	Preferred PA
HAP	Preferred	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered
PRIORITY	Preferred	Non-Preferred ST: Must try generic first	Non-Preferred ST: Must try generic first	Non-Preferred ST: Must try generic first	Not Covered	Not Covered
PRIORITY (OPTIMIZED)	Preferred	Not Covered	Non-Preferred ST: Must try generic first	Non-Preferred	Not Covered	Not Covered
UNITED	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered	Not Covered

LOW CARB GROCERY SHOPPING LIST

Stock your fridge and pantry with low carb foods

Meats & Meat Alternatives

Beef (ground, steaks, ribs, or roast)
Chicken/Turkey
Duck
Lamb
Pork (ground, chops, ribs, or roast)
Eggs
Veal
Goat

Dairy

(no added sugars or starches)
Butter
Cheeses (full-fat – all types)
Cottage cheese
Cream cheese
Eggs
Cream (heavy or whipping)

Fats & Oils

Avocado/Avocado oil
Coconut oil
Ghee/Lard
Olives/Olive oil
Schmaltz (chicken fat)
Sesame oil
Vegetable oil

YELLOW CATEGORY: REDUCE

Patients may need to have their medications adjusted

Population: Patients who are on one or more of these medications: Basal long acting insulin or thiazolidinediones. Please communicate with patients to ensure they understand the importance of close communication with their healthcare team.

Carb goals: Work with your patients to set a suitable carb goal. A starting carb goal of 100-130g of carbohydrates per day may be appropriate for this population.



Thiazolidinediones
Basal long-acting insulins (May need to reduce dose by up to 50%. Follow blood sugars and adjust as needed)

Medication adjustments: General recommendations for dosing basal insulin: Reduce basal insulin by 25-50%. Consider greater reductions for patients with lower A1c or frequent episodes of hypoglycemia. • If A1c is high ($\geq 10\%$): Reduce by 25-50%

Blood glucose range and monitoring: We encourage patients to closely monitor for hypoglycemia and communicate with their healthcare team. General recommendations include:

7-DAY SAMPLE MEAL PLAN (<50g carbohydrates/day)

Are you wondering what to eat on a very low carbohydrate lifestyle? Look no further! Here is a sample 7-day meal plan to get you started. Breakfast, lunch, and dinner meals are listed below with total carbohydrate estimates.

SUNDAY	Lunch	Dinner
Breakfast 3 egg omelet with 1/2 cup diced vegetables (peppers, onion, mushroom, tomatoes), and 1oz shredded cheese 1/2 cup sliced strawberries Total carbs: 10g	Wrap sandwich (8 inch low carb wrap, 4-5oz turkey, cheese, spinach, tomato, and onion). Add mustard, pickles, mayo, and seasoning as desired Total carbs: 25g	2 cups zucchini noodles with 1/2 cup low carb tomato sauce, 4-5oz ground beef, and 1 cup sautéed non-starchy vegetables Optional: add grated Parmesan cheese Total carbs: 15g
MONDAY	Lunch	Dinner
Breakfast Baked avocado cups (cut avocado in half, add 1 egg to center of each half – bake at 350 degrees for 15-20 min) Total carbs: 15g	2-3 cups mixed greens topped with 4-5 oz tuna or chicken, diced avocado, onion, pickles, and shredded cheese Total carbs: 25g	Chicken Alfredo with chicken, Alfredo sauce, and cups zucchini noodles Total carbs: 25g

Today's Agenda

Time	Topic	Presenter
6:00pm – 6:15pm	Welcome and Updates	Lauren Oshman, MD MCT2D Program Director
6:15pm – 6:35pm	Data Dashboard Updates	Jake Reiss, MHSA Associate Program Manager
6:35pm – 6:55pm	Regional Summary Statistics And Performance	Table discussions
6:55pm – 7:05pm	Break	N/A
7:05pm – 7:25pm	Care Coordination Challenges & CGM in Type 2 Diabetes	Anita Repp, MD Ann Arbor Endocrinology & Diabetes Associates, P.C.
7:25pm – 7:50pm	Operationalizing a Low Carb Diet In Type 2 Diabetes	Rina Hisamatsu, RDN MCT2D Dietitian
7:50pm – 8:00pm	Wrap Up & Closing	Lauren Oshman, MD MCT2D Program Director

Who is MCT2D?

Coverage Wins

Jumpstart Program

Learning Community Events

Updates

Who is MCT2D?

>300

Primary Care
Practices

15

Nephrology
Practices

14

Endocrinology
Practices

1000+

Participating
Physicians

Represented by

28 Physician Organizations



Steering Committee



12 members, representatives from each stakeholder in MCT2D (POs, PCP practices, patients, endocrinology, & nephrology)

Patient Advisory Board



Meetings bi-monthly
~12-14 regular attendees
Invited to all regional and collaborative meetings

Expansions in CGM Coverage



CGM Coverage Changes

Blue Cross Complete

Old Criteria

- 1) Treatment with insulin via a compatible infusion pump
- 2) Treatment with multiple daily doses of insulin requiring glucose testing 3 or more times per day and one of the following:
 - *Persistently inadequate glycemic control defined as EITHER: HbA1C \geq 7% on multiple consecutive readings with one being within the last 3 months OR frequent bouts of hypoglycemia.*
 - *Patient is unable or reluctant to test their blood glucose via traditional glucometer.*
 - *Patient is taking two or more medications to manage their diabetes.*
 - *Patient works with a care team member to improve diet and exercise choices*

CGM Coverage Changes

Blue Cross Complete

New Criteria

Patient must have a diagnosis of diabetes AND Either Criteria #1 or one of the criteria under #2 must be met:

Criteria #1. Treatment with insulin (type 1 or type 2) OR

Criteria #2. Treatment of Type 2 diabetes with an antihyperglycemic drug without insulin. One of the following must be met:

- *Frequent hypoglycemia, hypoglycemia unawareness, or concerns of nocturnal hypoglycemia*
- *Gaining weight (more than 5 pounds of weight gain in the last 12 months)*
- *HbA1C \geq 7%*
- *Need for medication changes or titration*
- *Initiation of a lower carbohydrate diet*



CGM Coverage Changes

United Healthcare

DME Criteria and Criteria for non-MCT2D Physicians

- Diagnosis of diabetes requiring insulin
- Blood glucose testing at least 4x daily
- Insulin injections at least 3 x daily OR use of continuous insulin infusion pump
- Frequent adjustments to treatment regimen necessary based on glucose testing results
- Documented compliance to physician-directed comprehensive diabetes management program

New Criteria for MCT2D Physicians

- Ordered by an MCT2D member provider
- Patient has T2D diagnosis

Great News: United Healthcare will be adding NPs and PAs to the prior authorization removal. Stay tuned for more details!

How to use Poll Everywhere

Join by Web



- 1 Go to **PollEv.com**
- 2 Enter **MCT2D945**
- 3 Respond to activity

Join by Text



- 1 Text **MCT2D945** to **22333**
- 2 Text in your message

**Have you submitted any CGM
prescriptions for United Healthcare
patients since the coverage change in
mid-August?**

Yes (A)

No (B)



HEALTHY EATING JUMPSTART

GROCERY DELIVERY PROGRAM

An MCT2D + HBOM + MSHIELD Initiative

PURPOSE

To allow individuals diagnosed with **Type 2 Diabetes** who experience **food insecurity or are low-income** to have healthy, lower carb foods delivered to their home to **promote healthy eating patterns.**





3 Months of Shipt Healthy Choice Credits

\$240 of total food
credits (\$80 per
month)



Multiple Options for Ordering

Online ordering
can be done on
computer or mobile
device



12 Weeks of Education and Support

Via website, email,
and print

OVERVIEW

JUMPSTART practices in this region!



**Western Wayne Physicians -
Allen Park**

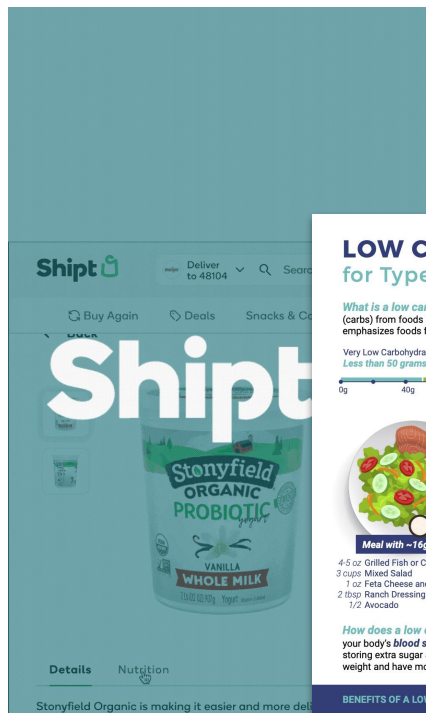
JUMPSTART practices in this region!



Practice Names

12 WEEKS of lower carb lifestyle education

Each week participants will get meal plans, recipes, tips tools, and educational materials delivered directly to them.



LOW CARB CHEATSHEET

0g CARB FOODS (Per serving)	Chicken & Turkey (3 oz)	Butter & Ghee (1 tsp)	Eggs (1 whole)	Black Coffee (16 oz)	Beef & Pork (5 oz)	Salmon & Tuna (5 oz)	Herbs & Spices (1 tsp)	Water (8 oz)	Olive Oil & Vinegar (1 tsp)
1-2g CARB FOODS	Lettuce (1 cup)	Cheese (1 oz)	Cream Cheese (1 tbsp)	Shrimp (3 oz)	Avocado (1/4 cup)	Olives (4 large)	Mushrooms (1 cup)	Onions (1/2 cup)	Brussels Sprouts (1 cup)



Hummus (1 tbsp)	Cucumber & Zucchini (1 cup)	Tomato (1 small)	Asparagus (1/2 cup cooked)	Cauliflower (1 med)
Onions (1/2 cup)	Brussels Sprouts (1 cup)	Salami (5 slices)	Squash (1 cup)	Lentils & Lin (1 med)
Raspberries (1 cup)	Ice Cream (2/3 cup)	2% Milk (1 cup)	Bread (1 slice)	Banana & Apple (27g each)
Pasta (43g per 1 cup cooked)	Chocolate (100g per 1 cup chips)	Breakfast Cereal (55g per 1 cup)	Starchy Vegetables (1 cup)	Fruit (1 cup)

HIDDEN CARBS TO WATCH OUT FOR

Don't be fooled! Many groceries that you think are healthy have hidden carbs, with up to 30-40 grams of carbs in one serving. Look for a few staples that you'll want to take a closer look at.

- Fruit Flavored Yogurts**
Even fat-free greek, and "natural" yogurts can contain 10-30 grams of carbs in one serving.
Stick to plain, whole milk Greek yogurt and add frozen berries or almonds.
- Coffee Creamers**
Even fat-free and "natural" creamers can contain 15-30g of carbs per serving.
Look for zero sugar creamers.
- Many Fruits**
Apples, Oranges, & pineapples
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- Condiments**
Can contain 15-30g of carbs per serving.
Check the label and
- "Sugar Free"**
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Shipt LOW CARB ON ANY BUDGET

ALL under \$1.00 per serving!

Adapted from Low-Carb For Any Budget

More packaging a skinny bag, plastic bag, the more it is, and the more to have carbs, so for processed meats, etc. dairy, and whole avocado and olive oil.

MCT2D Learning Community

The MCT2D Learning Community launched in May 2022 with opportunities to provide feedback on MCT2D developed tools, attend educational events, and contribute stories to the MCT2D blog, and the debut of the learning community newsletter.

Learning Community events have included:

- Weight Loss Medications (Clinical Use and Medicaid Coverage Changes)
- Prior Authorization Panel
- CGM Implementation Panel

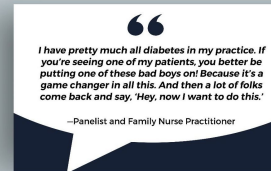
Update on Anti-Obesity Medications (AOM's)

May 17, 2022



Six Game Changers in Implementing CGMs in Your Primary Care Practice

DME Hacks—like getting to know your reps and snagging their customized ordering templates—shortcuts for billing documentation in the EMR—and clues to getting CGMs covered for more of your patients. Insights from our panel of expert members, a recording of our September discussion, and additional resources to guide you. [READ MORE >>](#)



Prior Auth specialists have called this online tool "phenomenal" and "life changing." Are you using it?



[Six key takeaways from our July 18th panel](#) of Prior Authorization experts (including recommended tools), [watch the recorded session](#), and [browse past learning community webinars](#) >>



What can the learning community do for you in 2023?

We want to host additional educational events and panels.

What topics are you interested in hearing about?





Patient Data Dashboard Updates and Demo

Jake Reiss, MHSA

MCT2D Associate
Program Manager

Dashboard Enhancements



Conducted dashboard usability testing sessions



Focusing on design and user experience



Data up to date through 6/30/2022



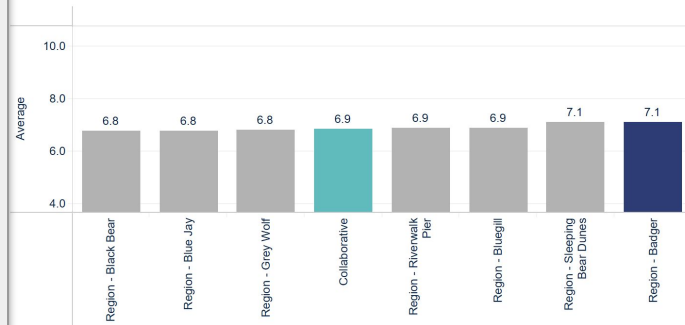
Launched summary statistics



Later this year, addition of BCN claims data

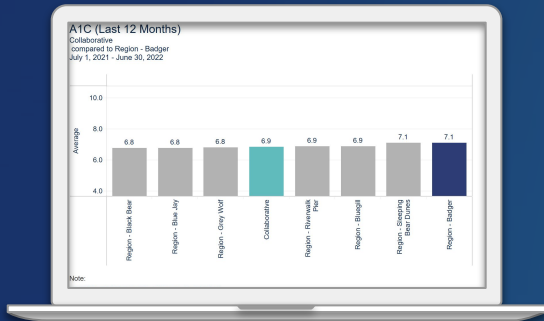
A1C (Last 12 Months)

Collaborative
compared to Region - Badger
July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2022



Note:

Dashboard Demo



Future Directions: Data

Rel #	MCT2D Publish date		Paid claims data through	Clinical data through
	2/15/2023	Data Refresh	11/30/2022	11/30/2022
1	4/11/2023	Release 1 Enhancement & Data Refresh	12/31/2022	12/31/2022
	5/4/2023	Data Refresh	2/28/2023	2/28/2023
2	6/19/2023	Release 2 Enhancement & Data Refresh	3/31/2023	3/31/2023
	8/4/2023	Data Refresh	5/31/2023	5/31/2023
3	9/21/2023	Release 3 Enhancement & Data Refresh	6/30/2023	6/30/2023
	11/7/2023	Data Refresh	8/31/2023	8/31/2023
4	12/14/2023	Release 4 Enhancement & Data Refresh	9/30/2023	9/30/2023

- **User experience/design changes**
- **Planned enhancements**
 - Patient exclusion tool to remove patients who should not be in the dashboard.
 - Dashboard will be limited to patients at least 18 years old.
 - Actual medication names and strengths will be listed rather than just the medication class.
 - Prepopulated reports of common and relevant filtering.
 - Adding serum creatinine
- **All payor PPQC data delayed- MDC determining an updated date this can be incorporated**



Discussion: Regional Reports

Discussion Question Suggestions



Knowing that the insurance coverage for all of these patients are the same, why do you think we are seeing variability amongst regions?



Looking at patients who are on no therapy or patients who are on therapy that is not guideline concordant (e.g. DPP4s and sulfonylureas), what ideas do you have to improve the use of SGLT2is and GLP-1RAs?



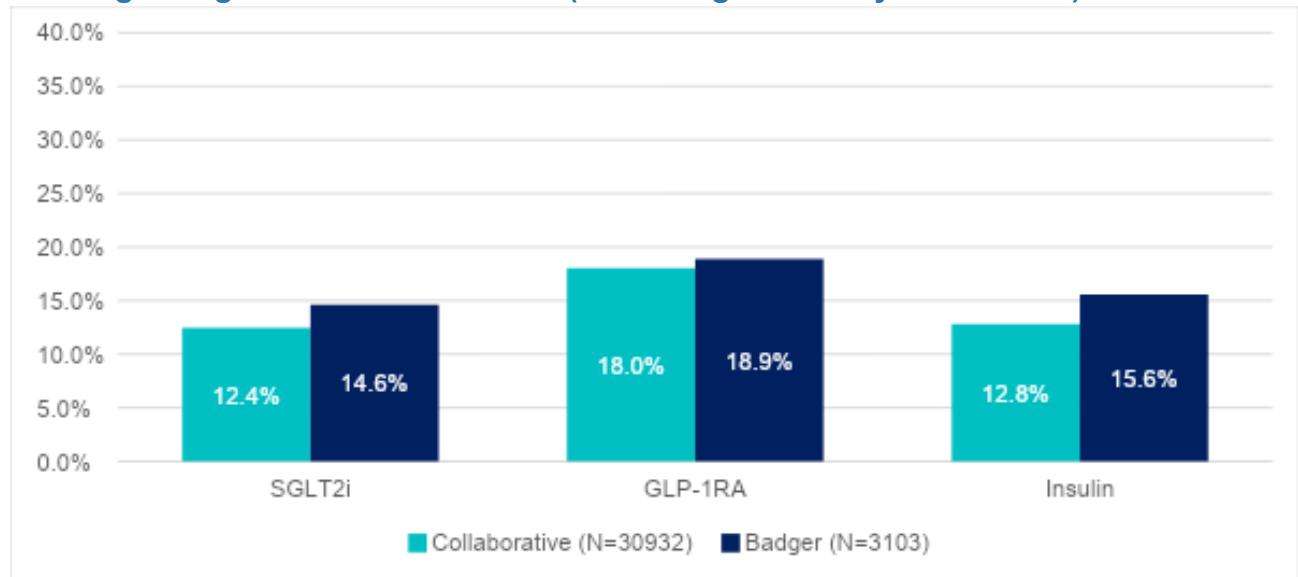
The Badger region has the highest rate of insulin prescribing across the regions. Why do you think this may be?

MICHIGAN COLLABORATIVE FOR TYPE 2 DIABETES (MCT2D): BADGER

OVERVIEW

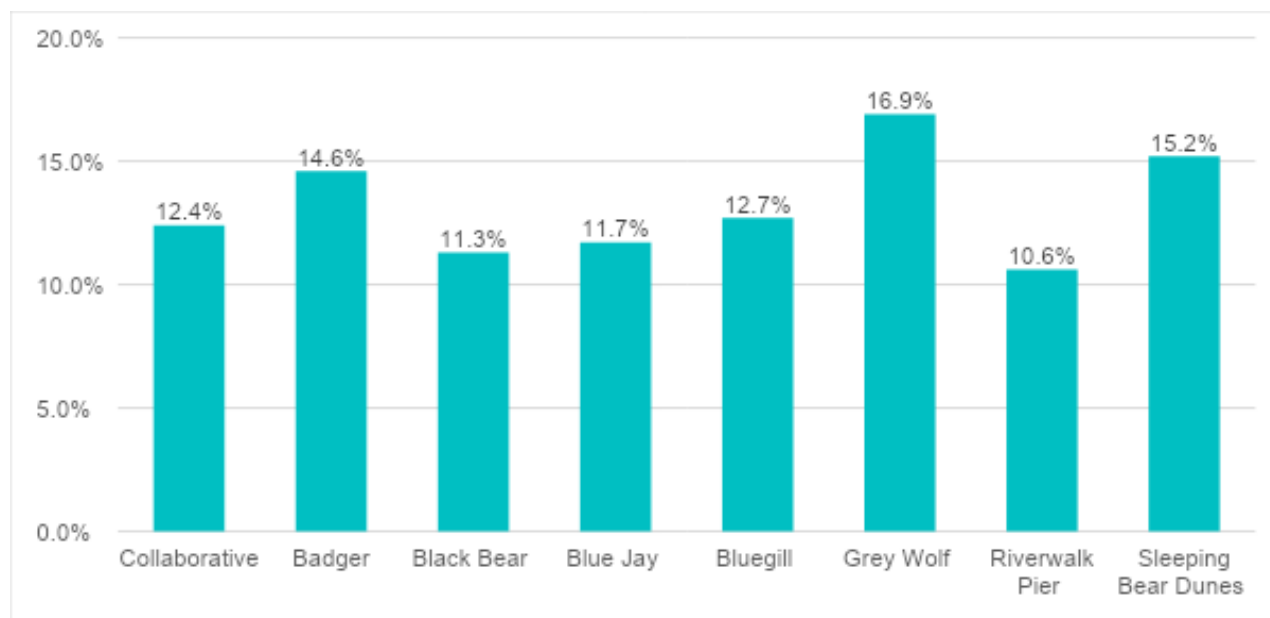
Collaborative level data includes any type 2 diabetes patient in participating practices who has been seen by a primary care physician (PCP) part of the Michigan Collaborative for Type 2 Diabetes (MCT2D). The patient population includes those who have a diagnosis code for type 2 diabetes, A1c of 6.5 or greater, and/or have been prescribed diabetes medication (ex. metformin, SGLT2i, GLP-1RA, insulin, sulfonylurea, etc.) The data is limited to just type 2 diabetes patients. Patients included must be covered by either Blue Cross Blue Shield Blue Care Network of Michigan (BCBSM) Preferred Provider Organization (PPO) or Medicare Advantage. The data in this report is preliminary and there are limitations. For instance, medication data is not available for patients with pharmacy carve outs; therefore, medication rates may be underestimated. The time frame used was from January 1, 2021 until June 30, 2022.

1. Comparison of Prescribing Rates of SGLT2i, GLP-1RA, and Insulin Between Badger Region and Collaborative (Excluding Pharmacy Carve Outs)



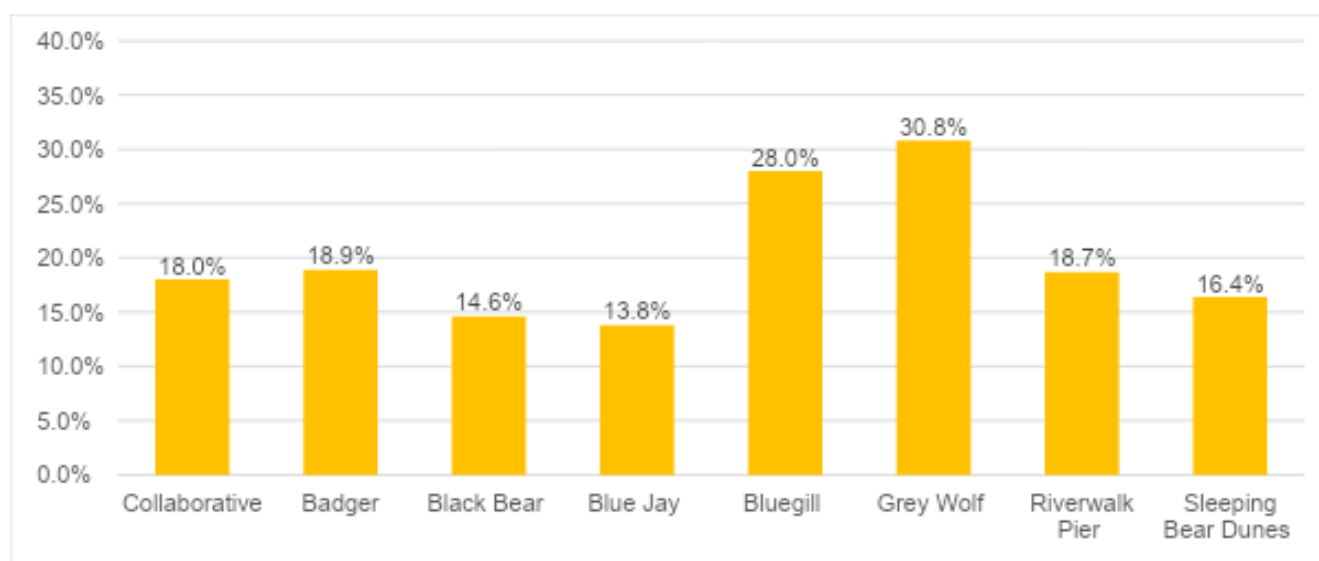
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2. Comparison of Prescribing Rates of SGLT2i Across MCT2D Regions (Excluding Pharmacy Carve Outs)



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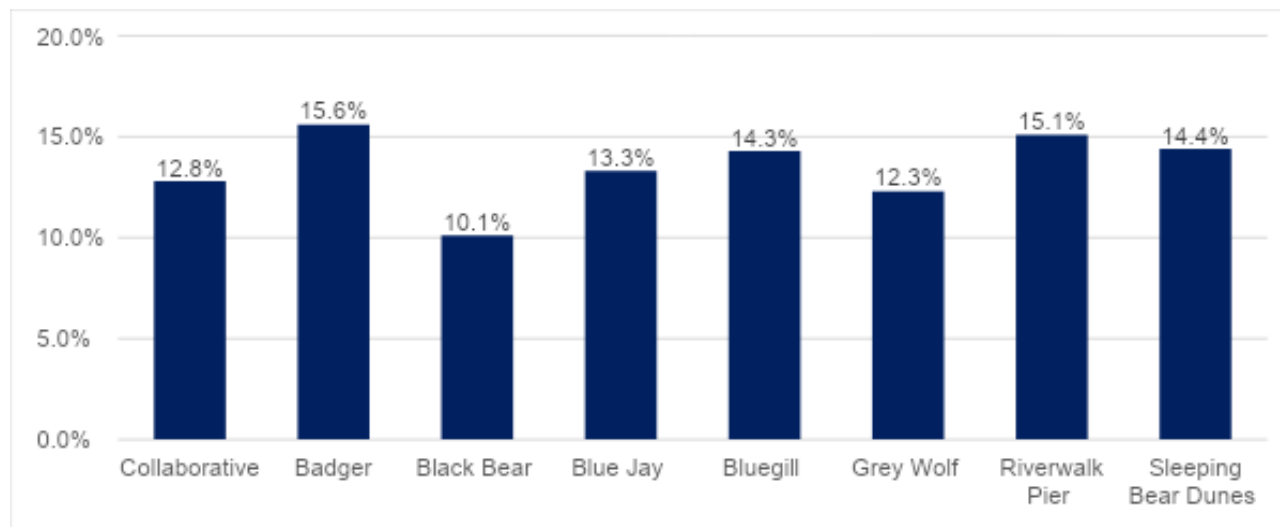
3. Comparison of Prescribing Rates of GLP-1RA Across MCT2D Regions (Excluding Pharmacy Carve Outs)



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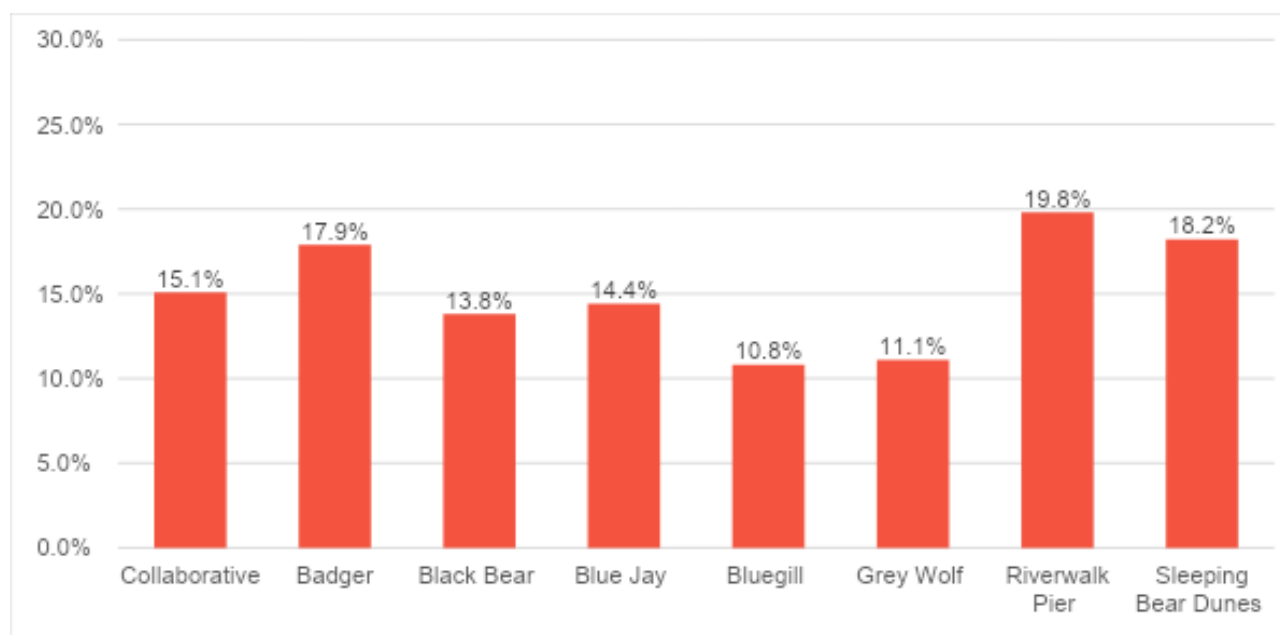
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4. Comparison of Prescribing Rates of Insulin Across MCT2D Regions (Excluding Pharmacy Carve Outs)



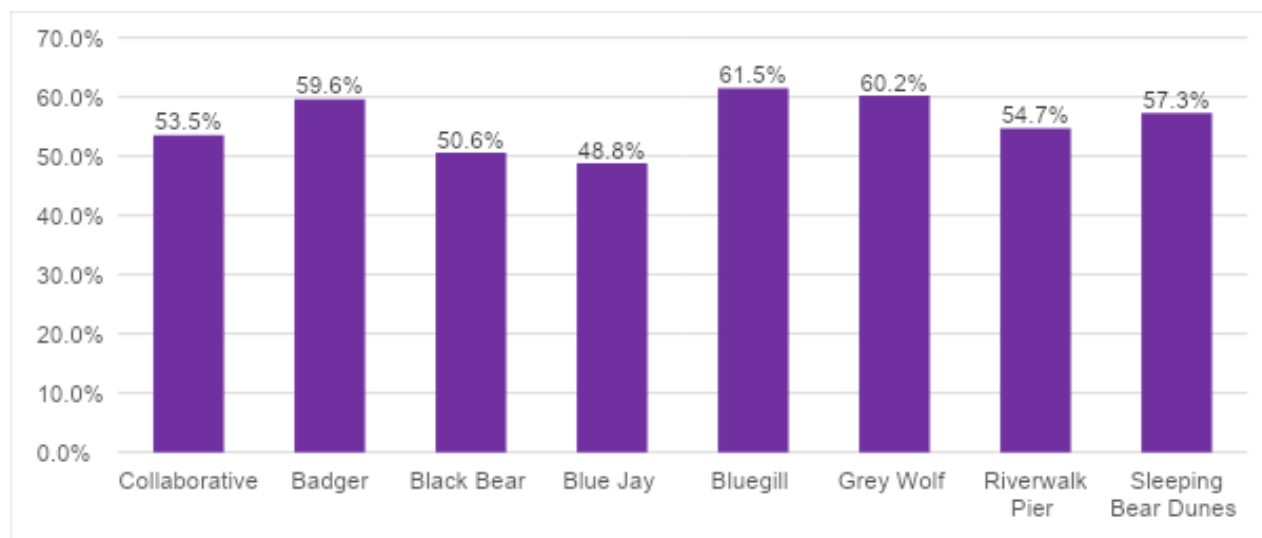
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5. Comparison of Prescribing Rates of Sulfonylurea Across MCT2D Regions (Excluding Pharmacy Carve Outs)



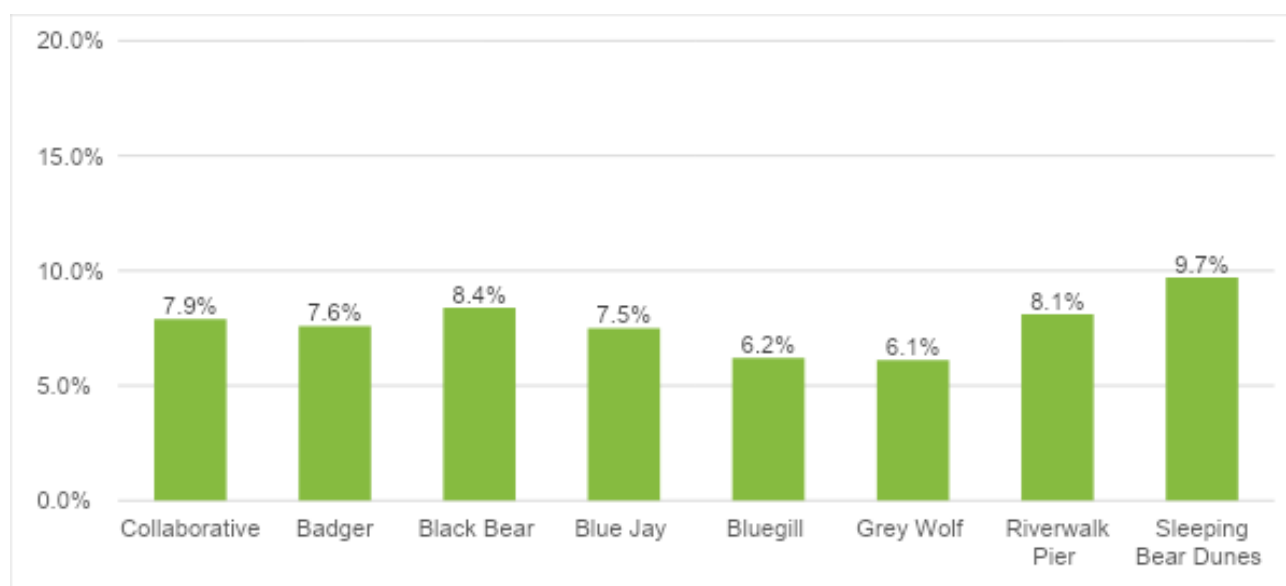
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6. Comparison of Prescribing Rates of Metformin Across MCT2D Regions (Excluding Pharmacy Carve Outs)



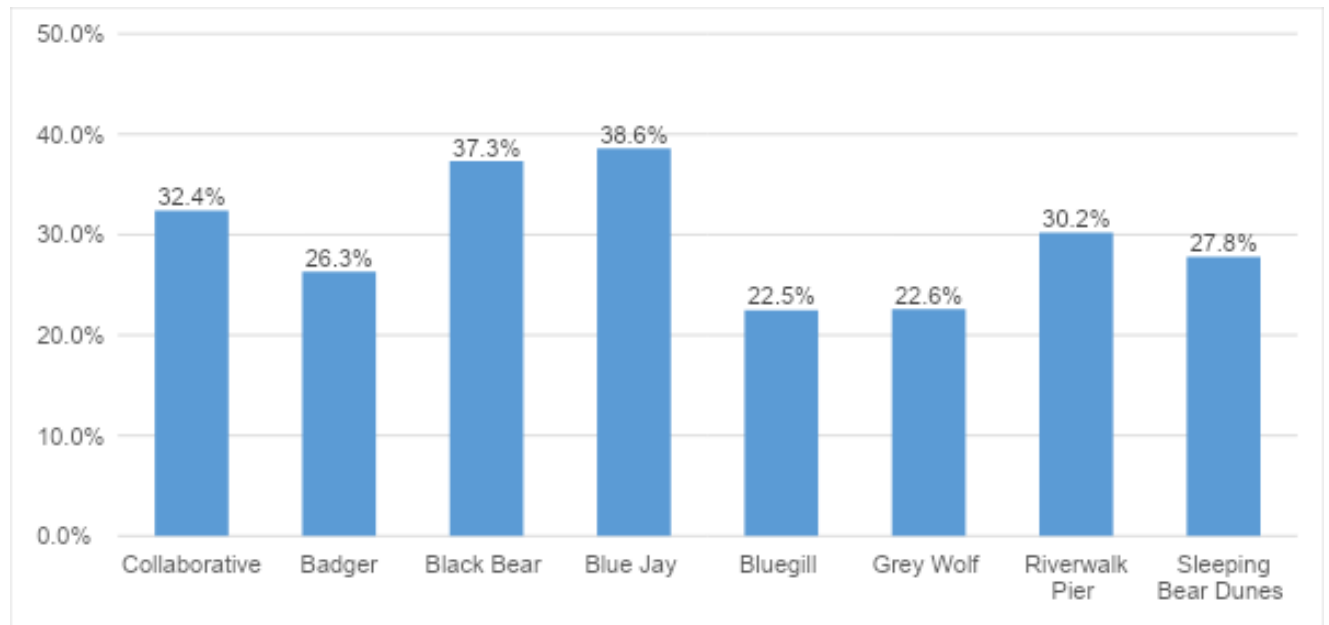
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7. Comparison of Prescribing Rates of Dipeptidyl Peptidase 4 Inhibitors (DPP4i) Across MCT2D Regions (Excluding Pharmacy Carve Outs)



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8. Percentage of Patients Not On Any Diabetes Medication Across MCT2D Regions



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MCT2D Fall meeting 2022

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Ann Arbor Endocrinology and Diabetes Associates, PC

A little about me...

In practice since 2008 with Ann Arbor Endocrinology

Grew up in Livonia, MI

Undergrad: MSU/ Medical School: UofM/ Residency: UVA/ Fellowship: Wayne State





Care coordination challenges

Type 2 diabetes - Fast facts

In 2019, 37 million Americans (11% of the population) had diabetes - vast majority are Type 2

30% of seniors (65 and older) are diabetic

Diabetes care cost \$327 million dollars in 2017

Diabetes was the 7th leading cause of death in 2019

There are only about 5000 endocrinologists in the US who treat adults

The vast majority of patients with type 2 diabetes have a PCP provide their diabetes care

Caring for patients with diabetes is expensive

Patients with diabetes require more care and are more likely to visit the ER, be hospitalized, or be a nursing home resident than patients without diabetes

The cost of diabetes care increased 200% from 2002 to 2012

Americans with diabetes have health care costs 2.3 times higher than patients without diabetes

Outpatient diabetes medications and supplies accounted for 23% of total direct medical costs in the US in 2012. This cost increased 2.5 fold from 2002 to 2012

In 2011, almost half of all patients with diabetes had 6 or more office-based physician visits

Caring for patients with diabetes involves a team

Team caring for a patient with diabetes may include:

- PCP
- Endocrinologist/diabetologist
- Diabetes educator/nutritionist
- Pharmacist
- Ophthalmologist
- Podiatrist
- Cardiologist
- Nephrologist
- Neurologist
- Vascular surgeon



Reasons a patient with T2D should see an endocrinologist

On 3 meds and not at goal

Pregnancy planning

Patients with an A1c over goal for more than a year

2 or more diabetes complications

When insulin is needed



What is the role of the endocrinologist?

Optimize/simplify diabetes regimen

Define A1c target and help get patient to goal

Manage patient long term?

Manage diabetes comorbidities - neuropathy, HTN, lipids, nephropathy?

Refer to other specialists?



Who owns diabetes care?

Prescriptions - non insulin diabetes meds

Prescriptions - insulin

Testing supplies orders

Lipids

Blood pressure

Referral to other specialists

Referral for other testing - stress test, etc.



Discussion/comments on care coordination?





Using CGM in Type 2 Diabetes

Continuous glucose monitor

CGMs measure glucose in the interstitial fluid - the fluid just under the skin. They take glucose measurements every 5-15 minutes, depending on the system.

They are changed every 7-14 days, depending on the system

All CGMs wirelessly transmit glucose data from the sensor to a device where you can view the data

Fingersticks are still required to calibrate devices. Some devices require frequent calibration, some don't.

Limitation of CGMs: Interstitial fluid glucose may “lag behind” actual glucose when change is occurring rapidly

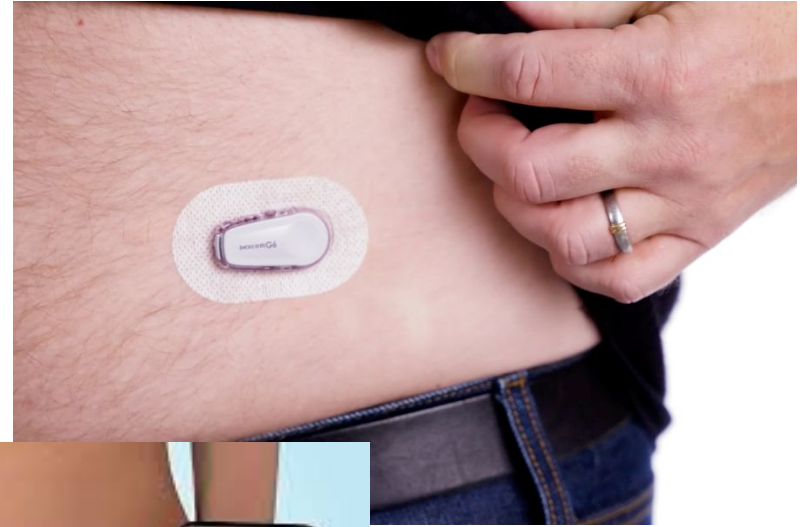


CGM - Continuous glucose monitor



Freestyle Libre

Dexcom



Medtronic



Using CGM in Type 2 diabetes

Helps with compliance

Helps guide food and lifestyle choices

Helps identify patients who may be at risk for hypoglycemia (when on insulin or a secretagogue)

Identify patterns

Identify nocturnal hypoglycemia or nocturnal glucose rise



Who qualifies for a CGM?

Medicare patients - “Use of 3 or more insulin injections a day and the need to make frequent adjustments to insulin doses based on blood glucose reading”

Privately insured patients - most insurances will cover a CGM device, but may have differing requirements on when they will cover it





Glucose Metrics

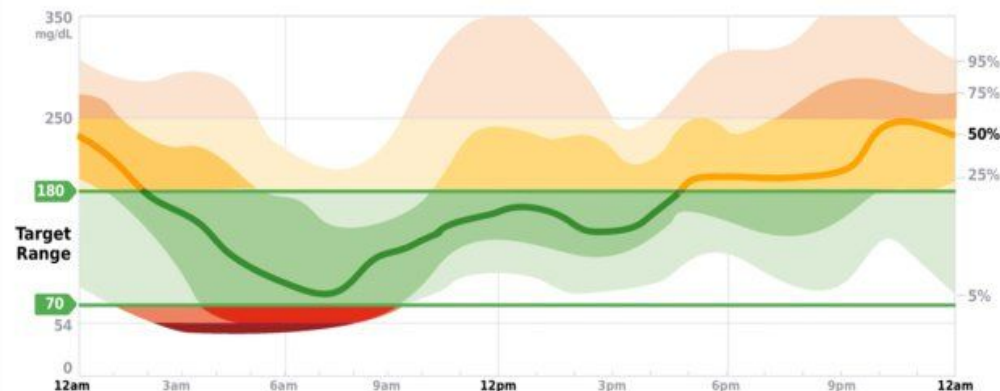
Average Glucose.....**175 mg/dL**
Goal: <154 mg/dL

Glucose Management Indicator (GMI).....**7.5%**
Goal: <7%

Glucose Variability.....**45.5%**
Defined as percent coefficient of variation
Goal: ≤36%

Ambulatory Glucose Profile (AGP)

AGP is a summary of glucose values from the report period, with median (50%) and other percentiles shown as if they occurred in a single day.



Daily Glucose Profiles

Each daily profile represents a midnight-to-midnight period.



Interpreting CGM data

Time in range

Standard deviation

Overnight patterns

Postprandial patterns





Questions?



Diving Deeper

Operationalizing a Low Carb Diet in Type 2 Diabetes

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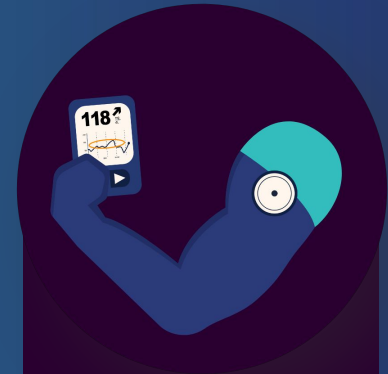
MCT2D Quality Improvement Goals



Prescribing of
GLP1 Receptor
Agonists & SGLT2
inhibitors



Supporting Lower
Carbohydrate Diets



Expanding use of
Continuous Glucose
Monitoring (CGM)

Focus for Today



How to integrate low-carbohydrate meal plans as an effective means of blood sugar control

Variations Of The Low-Carbohydrate Meal Plan

Very Low Carbohydrate (Keto) Diet

- $\leq 10\%$
- 20-50g carbs/day

Low Carbohydrate Diet

- $>10-26\%$
- 50-130g carbs/day

Moderate Carbohydrate Diet

- 26-45%
- 130-225g carbs/day

High Carbohydrate Diet

- $>45\%$
- $>225\text{g carbs/day}$

Based on 2000 kcal/day

Fundamentals of The Low-Carbohydrate Lifestyle

A Well-Formulated Low-Carbohydrate Meal Plan...



**Prioritizes
protein
intake**



**Includes an
abundance of
non-starchy
vegetables**



**Includes
some fats
for satiety**

A Well-Formulated Low-Carbohydrate Meal Plan



Low Carbohydrate Foods

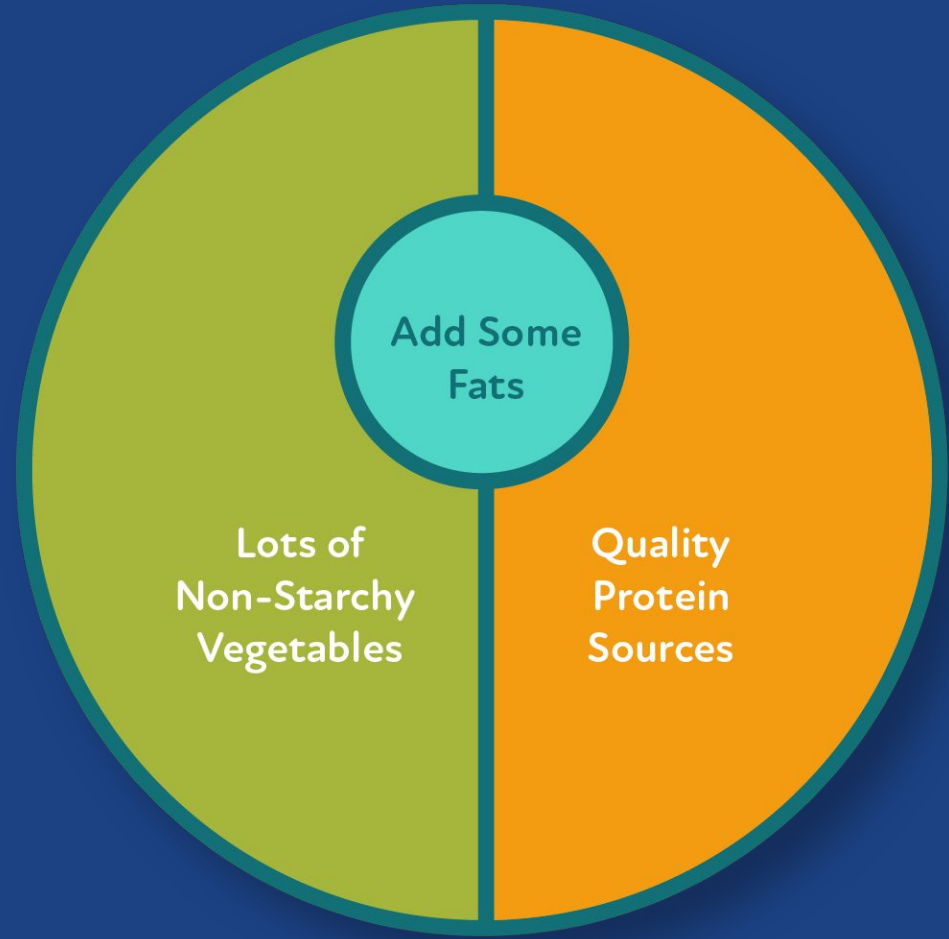


High Carbohydrate Foods

The Step Process

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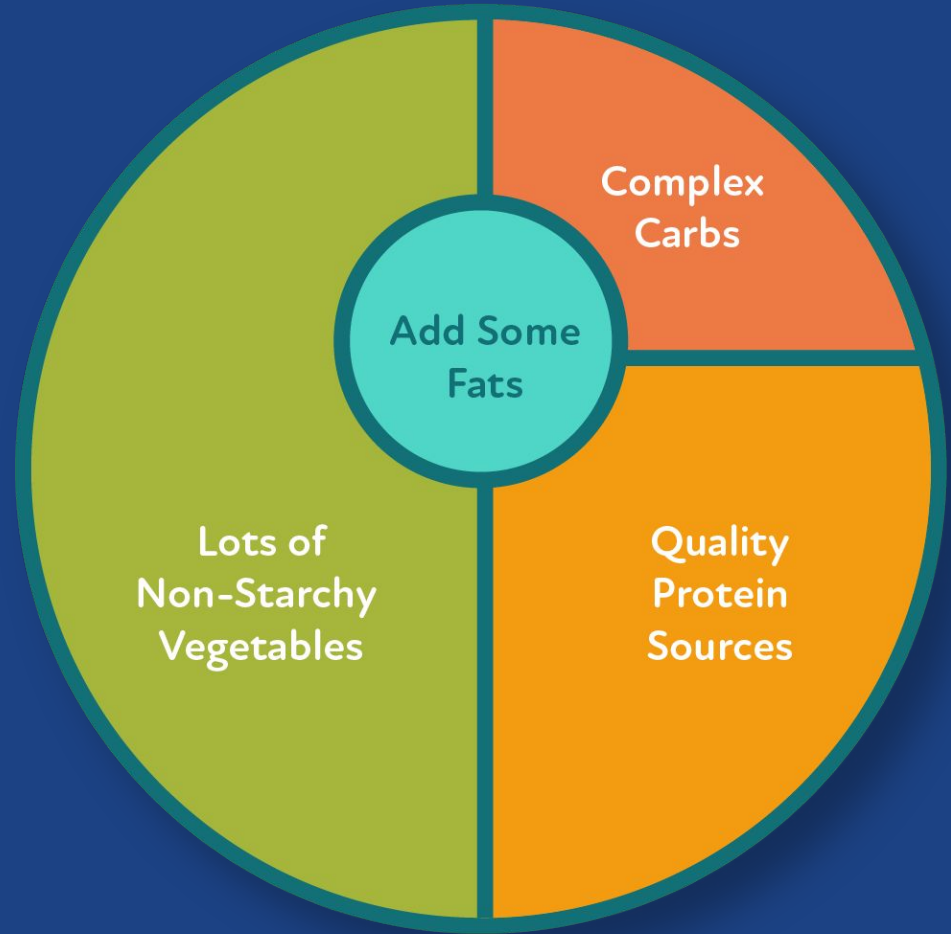
- Very low-carbohydrate meal plan
 - <50g total carbohydrates/day
- 1) Pick a protein source
 - 2) Add non-starchy vegetables
 - 3) Add some fats



The Step Process

(4 step)

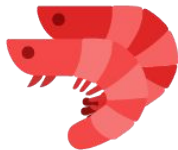
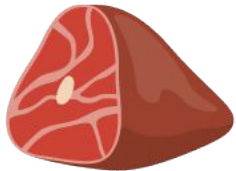
- Low carbohydrate meal plans
 - 50-130g total carbohydrates/day
- 1) Pick a protein
 - 2) Add non-starchy vegetables
 - 3) Add some fats
 - 4) Add some complex carbs



Summary

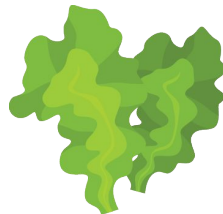
STEP 1: Pick a Protein

Choose a high-quality protein source like chicken, fish, seafood, beef, eggs, or soy.



STEP 2: Add Non-Starchy Vegetables (Half your plate)

Fill half your plate with non-starchy vegetables like salad greens, broccoli, or Brussels sprouts.



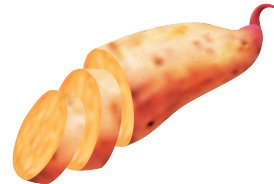
STEP 3: Add Some Fats

Add some fats from oil, sauces, or full-fat dairy like cheese, butter or sour cream.

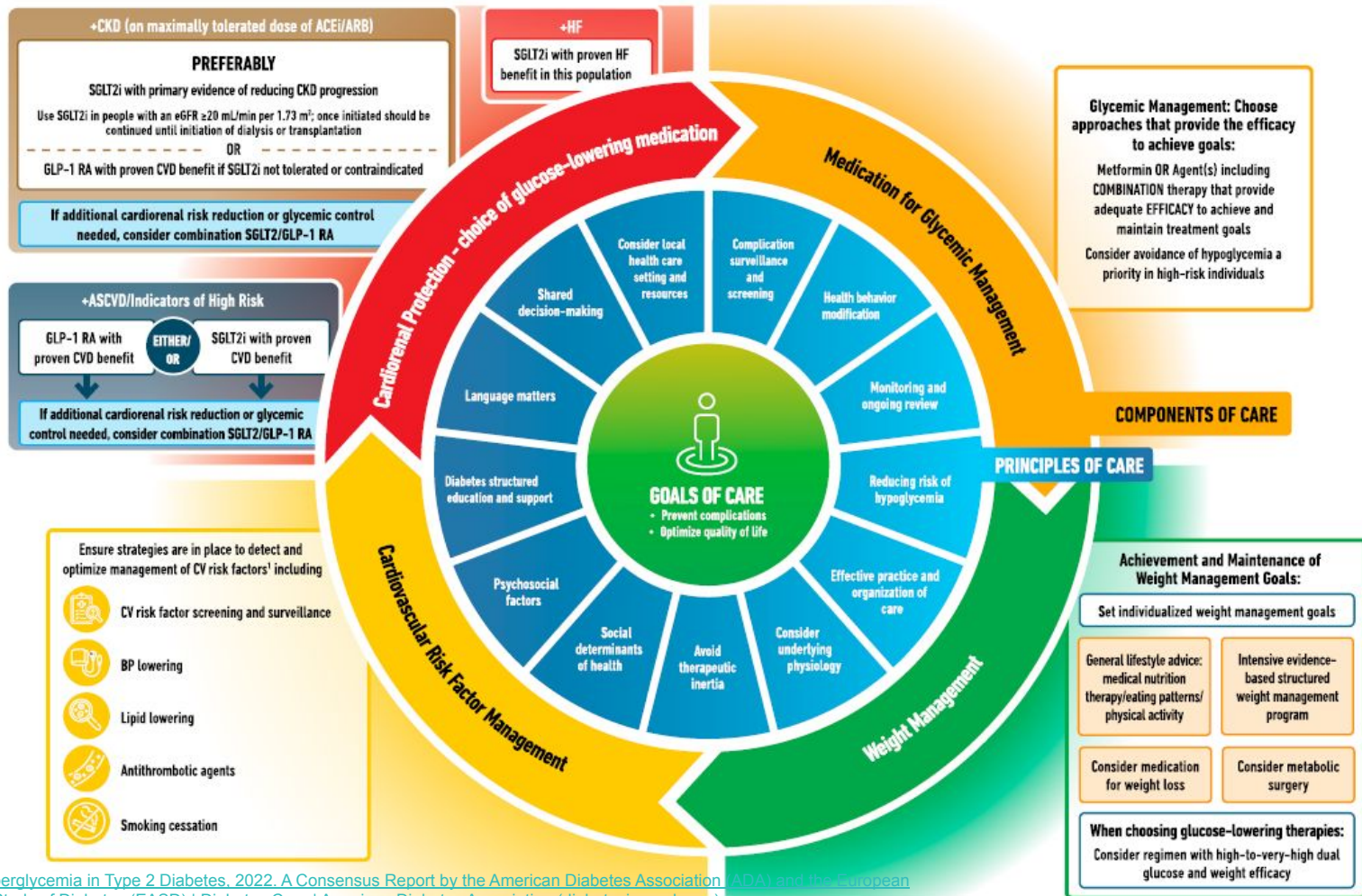


STEP 4: Add 1-2 Servings of Complex Carbs

Include 1-2 servings of high-quality carbs like starchy vegetables, fruits, legumes/lentils or whole grains.



HOLISTIC PERSON-CENTERED APPROACH TO T2DM MANAGEMENT



Modifying Meal Plans to Fit Dietary Restrictions And Cultural Preferences

Pescatarian

- Includes fish and shellfish
- Includes soy, nuts and seeds, legumes/lentils*

Adapting to cultural food preferences including:

Hispanic cuisine

South Asian cuisine

East Asian cuisine

Vegetarian/Vegan

- Includes soy, nuts and seeds, legumes/lentils*
- +/- eggs and dairy products

***Legumes/lentils can be added based on individual carb goals**

Case Example A



Working together with care team to reach
individualized carbohydrate goal

Case Example A: Ted

40 y.o. M, with PMH of T2D, obesity, HTN,
TIA (2019)

Established care 1 year ago at Diabetes
Clinic with following baseline:

- Starting weight: 342 lbs, BMI 47.7
- Hemoglobin A1c: 6.6%
- FBGs: 120s range

Medications: Victoza (d/c prior to initial eval at clinic), Januvia, Lisinopril, Metformin, Aspirin



Intervention

1. **Initiated GLP1-RA (Ozempic, escalated dose from 0.25mg to 1mg over 4-5 mo)**
2. **Education on low-carbohydrate meal plan**
 - a. Recommended $\leq 100\text{g}$ carbs/day
 - b. 5 Ps to avoid (Pastas, regular Pop, Pastries, Potatoes, b(B)read)
 - c. Focus on: lean meats, non starchy vegetables 50/50 plate method
3. **Physical activity goals discussed**
 - a. Weight lifting to preserve muscle mass



Within 1 year...

★ Medication Reduction:

- D/C metformin, Januvia, Lisinopril

★ Weight Reduction:

- 104 lbs total: 342 → 238 lbs (BMI 47.7 → 33.2)
- Lost 7 lbs in 1 mo, 18 lbs in 2 mos, 59 lbs in 5 mos

★ A1c Reduction:

- 6.6% → 5.4% (at most recent visit)

★ FBGs Improvement: <90 mg/dL





Patient Quotes

“[I’m] eating smaller, more frequent meals, and increasing lean proteins and vegetables.”

“[I’m] feeling great - receiving compliments from family and friends has been motivating.”



Delicious Ways to Enjoy Low-Carb Meals



Sample Meal Plan

(Low Carb 50-130g)

SUNDAY

Breakfast

3 egg omelet with ½ cup diced vegetables (peppers, onion, mushroom, tomatoes), and 1oz shredded cheese

1 slice whole wheat bread or 1 cup mixed berries

Total carbs: 20-25g

Lunch

Wrap sandwich (8 inch low carb wrap, 4-5oz turkey, cheese, spinach, tomato, and onion). Add mustard, pickles, mayo, and seasoning as desired

Optional: add 1oz nuts for crunch or avocado

Total carbs: 25-30g

Dinner

2 cups spaghetti squash* topped with ½ cup low carb tomato sauce, 4-5oz ground beef, and 1 cup sautéed non-starchy vegetables

Optional: add grated Parmesan

**Note: Can also use high-protein, low carbohydrate pasta*

Total carbs: 40g



TUESDAY

Breakfast

Baked avocado cups (cut avocado in half, add 1 egg to center of each half, then bake at 425 degrees for 15-20 min)

1 piece of fruit (1 small apple, plum, kiwi, 1 cup cantaloupe, 1 cup berries)

Total carbs: 30g

Lunch

Lettuce wraps (2-3 large lettuce leaves topped with 4-5 oz turkey or chicken, 2 tbsp hummus, diced tomato, onion, and 1oz pumpkin seeds)

Total carbs: 20g

Dinner

2 cups lentil soup (brown lentils, onions, garlic, diced carrots, zucchini, celery, mushrooms)

Chia pudding (mix 1 tbsp chia seeds, ½ cup coconut cream, and a dash of stevia. Let sit overnight)

You can make these in batches!

Total carbs: 43g



MONDAY

Breakfast

¾ cup plain Greek yogurt topped with 1oz mixed nuts, 1 cup berries or 1 piece fruit (1 small apple, plum, kiwi, 1 cup cantaloupe)

Total carbs: 25g

Lunch

2-3 cups mixed greens topped with 4-5oz tuna or other canned fish, ½ cup chickpeas, diced cucumber, tomato, onion, pickles, olives, avocado, and feta or shredded cheese

Serve with 2 tbsp ranch dressing or lemon and olive oil vinaigrette

Total carbs: 25g

Dinner

Chicken Alfredo (whole grain fettuccine with 4-5oz chicken grilled, ½ cup Alfredo sauce, and 2oz (dried) whole grain fettuccine)

Serve with side salad (dressing full-fat or olive oil and vinegar)

Total carbs: 50g



WEDNESDAY

Breakfast

Farmer's breakfast made with 2 slices bacon or other breakfast meats

1-2 eggs, cooked in any style

½ cup sautéed spinach or other greens

1 slice whole grain toast

Total carbs: 20g

Lunch

Burrito bowl made with 1 cup cauliflower rice, 4-5oz taco meat, 1 cup sautéed vegetables, ½ cup black beans, 2 tbsp salsa, and 1 tbsp sour cream

1 small fruit

Total carbs: 42g

Dinner

4-5oz Grilled/baked fish

2 cups baked/grilled non-starchy vegetables sprinkled with 1oz mixed nuts

½ cup sautéed corn or 1 small baked sweet potato

Optional: add 1 tbsp sour cream or butter

Total carbs: 32g



Sample Meal Plan

(Very-Low Carb <50g)

SATURDAY

Breakfast

Egg bites (whisk together 2-3 eggs, with chopped onion, peppers, tomato, spinach, mushrooms, herbs and spices, 1-2 oz cheese of choice. Pour mixture into muffin tin and bake at 350 degrees for 15-20 min or until set)

Total carbs: 5g

Lunch

1 cup tuna salad/chicken salad/egg salad

Serve over 2 cups of mixed leafy greens or make into a wrap or sandwich using low carbohydrate bread.

Optional: 1 oz cheese or nuts

Total carbs: 10g (26g with wrap)

Dinner

4-5 oz steak

Roasted brussel sprouts with crushed bacon

1 cup mashed cauliflower with garlic and parsley

Total carbs: 15g



SUNDAY

Breakfast

3 egg omelet with ½ cup diced vegetables (peppers, onion, mushroom, tomatoes), and 1oz shredded cheese

½ cup sliced strawberries

Total carbs: 10g

Lunch

Wrap sandwich (8 inch low carb wrap, 4-5oz turkey, cheese, spinach, tomato, and onion). Add mustard, pickles, mayo, and seasoning as desired

Total carbs: 25g

Dinner

2 cups zucchini noodles topped with ½ cup low carbohydrate tomato sauce, 4-5oz ground beef, and 1 cup sauteed non-starchy vegetables

Optional: add grated Parmesan

Total carbs: 15g



TUESDAY

Breakfast

¾ cup plain Greek yogurt topped with 1 oz chopped almonds, ½ cup mixed berries

Total carbs: 18g

Lunch

Lettuce wraps (2-3 large lettuce leaves topped with 4-5oz ground turkey or chicken, diced tomato, and ½ diced avocado, ¼ cup shredded cheese, 2 tbsp ranch dressing)

Total carbs: 10g

Dinner

Meatloaf made with sugar-free BBQ glaze, 1 cup sauteed green beans, 1 cup cauliflower mash

Total carbs: 18g



WEDNESDAY

Breakfast

Farmer's breakfast made with 2 slices bacon or other breakfast meats

2 eggs, cooked in any style

½-1 cup spinach or other greens sauteed with garlic

½ cup berries

Total carbs: 12g

Lunch

Burrito bowl made with 1.5 cups cauliflower rice, 4-5 oz taco meat, 1 cup sauteed vegetables, 2 tbsp salsa, 1 tbsp sour cream, 1 tbsp guacamole

Total carbs: 17g

Dinner

4-5 oz grilled fish

2 cups sauteed non-starchy vegetables sprinkled with 1 oz walnuts

Total carbs: 10g



Identifying Your Patients

Taking The First Step

1. Identify “low-risk” patients: not on insulins, sulfonylureas, SGLT2i’s
2. Patients with high engagement/interest in pursuing a low carb lifestyle

Avoiding Potential Risks

1) Hypoglycemia

Monitor and adjust blood sugar lowering medications (insulin/combination insulins, sulfonylureas, SGLT2is etc.)

SGLT2-inhibitors

- DO NOT USE: If daily carb intake <50 grams due to risk of euglycemic DKA
- Safe in patients consuming >100 grams of carbs daily

2) Hypotension

Monitor BP for all patients

TREAT hypotension: adjust medications as needed

MONITOR for hyponatremia: consider medication adjustment, comorbidities, hydration status

Adapting Medications for Type 2 Diabetes to a Low Carb Diet

GUIDE FOR STARTING PATIENTS on a Low Carb Lifestyle

A low carbohydrate (carb) lifestyle consists of reducing carb carbohydrate intake to 50-130g of total carbohydrates per day. Patients with type 2 diabetes (T2DM) who are interested in adopting a low carbohydrate lifestyle should monitor their blood glucose carefully and work closely with their primary care team to adjust medications as needed. Risk of hypoglycemia is greater among patients who are on insulin or sulfonylureas, particularly if they significantly reduce carbohydrate intake without adjusting their medications.

Patients with T2DM who are on these medications may need to have their medications proactively reduced (i.e., when their diet is adjusted to prevent hypoglycemia). View a detailed review on medication management for patients with T2DM who follow a low carbohydrate lifestyle by visiting <https://doi.org/10.3389/fnut.2021.688540> or scanning the QR code.



Low carbohydrate lifestyles are not 'one-size-fits-all.' Success may require fine-tuning and adjustments along the way to find a suitable carbohydrate range for a patient. Considerations need to be patient-driven (interest, experience, cultural background, and commitment) to work closely with their care team and be proactive in self-management skills are necessary tools for success.

MONITORING BLOOD PRESSURE

- Monitor BP for all patients
- For patients with controlled BP or edema
 - Consider stopping thiazide diuretics during the first 2-4 weeks of dietary change
 - If BP reduces increase return to prior dose
- If BP is hypotensive, advise patient to monitor for dizziness and dizziness, can give patient permission to stop a medication in this setting (HOLD medication and call office)
- Monitor for hypotension
- If present



SETTING CARB GOALS & ADJUSTING MEDICATIONS

GREEN CATEGORY: CONTINUE
Patients will need minimal medication adjustment.

Biguanides
GLP-1 RAs
DPP-4 inhibitors

Population: These patients are considered low risk for hypoglycemia/hyperglycemia. Patients with T2DM who are NOT on insulin or sulfonylureas (Biguanides/Metformin, GLP-1 receptor agonists, DPP-4 inhibitors and SGLT2).

Carb goal: Work with your patients to set a suitable carb goal. A starting carb goal of 50-130g of carbohydrates per day may be appropriate for this population.

Medication adjustments: If patients are on BP-lowering medications, close monitoring and adjustments may be necessary to prevent hypotension.

Blood glucose range and monitoring: Most patients should achieve a fasting glucose level of 70-130 mg/dL and a two-hour post-prandial meal of <100 mg/dL. Work with your patient to determine blood sugar monitoring goals.

Look for this
handout!

SAFE



- Biguanides
- GLP1 Agonists
- DPP4 Inhibitors

REDUCE



- Basal long acting insulins— may need to reduce dose by up to 50%. Follow blood sugars and adjust as needed
- Thiazolidinediones

STOP



- Sulfonylureas
- Meglitinides
- SGLT2 inhibitors
- Bolus meal time insulin. *Might need small amounts to correct high blood sugar.*
- Combination insulins (70/30) — switch to basal long acting
- Alpha-glucosidase inhibitors

Recognizing Challenges

- ★ **Time** constraints
- ★ **Availability** for clinicians to cover in routine visits
- ★ **Access** to clinic resources (MAs, RNs, RDs, Pharmacists, Care Navigators etc.)

Resources and Teaching Tools

- [MCT2D Resource Library](#)
- [Diet Doctor Free CME course](#)
- [Low-Carbohydrate and Very Low-Carbohydrate Eating Patterns in Adults with Diabetes: A Guide for Health Care Providers \(ADA\)](#)
- [The Art and Science of Low Carbohydrate Eating](#)
- [Low Carb For Any Budget - Cooking Keto With Kristie](#)
- [Always Hungry? by Dr. David Ludwig](#)
- [Diet Doctor](#)

Case Example B



Strategies to mitigate potential risk from
medications

Team-based care

Case Example B: Fred

69 y.o. M with hx of T2D, dx in 2007 (or possibly earlier)

Started low-carb + CGM program in 7/2022 with following baseline:

- Starting weight: 235 lbs, BMI 35
- Hemoglobin A1c: 7.7%

Medications: Insulin glargine: 30 units twice daily,
Insulin aspart: 5 units B/L/D, Dulaglutide: 3mg weekly

Patient counseled to keep total carbs $\leq 100\text{g}$ per day



MEDICATIONS:

Insulin glargine: 30 units **twice** daily
Insulin aspart: 5 units B/L/D
Dulaglutide 3mg weekly

Within 1 Month of Program...

- ★ Discontinued insulin aspart
- ★ Insulin glargine: 30U bid → 20U qd
- ★ 10 lb weight loss (235 → 225)
- ★ Reduced BP meds
- ★ CGM time in range ~85%
- ★ Patient reports “feeling great”



Key Takeaways

- 1) Using CGM data, pt able to make real-time connections between food and its effect on blood glucose.
- 2) Pt felt empowered by results from low-carb lifestyle: weight loss, de-escalation of meds, improved blood glucose control.



Final Thoughts

Implementing a low carbohydrate lifestyle is an iterative process. It requires trialing, refining, and adapting based on each individual case.



THANK YOU

Thank you!

Questions/
Concerns?

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Closing

Jackie Rau, MHSA

MCT2D Program
Manager

Wrapping up first official year of the program

**Value Based Reimbursement requirements
for Year 2**

Launching our first performance measure

Learning Community Newsletter

Data

Next Steps for MCT2D

First Official Year Coming to a Close




In that time we:

- Trained 601 MCT2D clinical champions and physicians on SGLT2i/GLP1RAs, low carbohydrate diets, and continuous glucose monitors
- Hosted 7 regional meetings and 1 collaborative wide meeting totaling over 247 attendees
- Began deploying the MCT2D interventions with patients in the practices, identifying barriers and challenges
- Shared best practices amongst collaborative members through the panels on prior authorization and CGMs.

We will be distributing a progress survey as one of the program requirements in December (due 2/1/23) to learn more about how the first year went for your practice



Year 2 VBR

Requirement	Responsibility
<i>Ongoing Learning Community Requirement:</i> Participate in one learning community activity for each of the two engagement levels. Details below. Due 7/15/2023	Level 1: Each physician Level 2: Each PO/Each Practice
Complete Progress Survey (due 2/1/2023)	Practice 
Work with your physician organization to maintain a log of practice interventions and changes related to implementation of the quality initiatives	Practice
Identify and submit one best practice related to continuous glucose monitoring, low carbohydrate diet, prescribing SGLT2s or GLP1s, or urine albumin testing (Due 5/1/2023).	Practice 
Distribute patient reported outcomes survey flyers and encourage patient participation.	Practice
Learn about coverage for your primary payor via MCT2D developed videos and materials and take a short post-test to confirm understanding.	Practice 
Attend Fall 2022 and Spring 2023 regional meetings	Practice clinical champion
Present on your site's implementation of the quality improvement initiatives at a collaborative meeting, regional meeting, or conference call, if requested	Practice

Learning Community Newsletter

- Began distributing learning community newsletter in May
- Five editions out now, will continue sending these monthly to all clinical champions and all who subscribe
- Encourage subscriptions from your other providers in the clinic
- Will distribute tools through this, announce learning opportunities, etc.
- Where blogs will be posted, etc.

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