## **Nutrition and Physical Activity**

Small amounts of dietary changes and daily exercise can improve your health, confidence and energy! Use these resources to achieve a healthier lifestyle.

## **3** Nutrition

Cornell Cooperative Extension: Group classes Albany (518)765-3500, Rensselaer (518)272-4210 Schenectady (518)372-1622, Saratoga (518)885-8995 Dining with Diabetes Cornell Cooperative Extension Classes for people with diabetes and their family members that include learning, demonstrations & tasting healthy foods. Albany (518)765-3552, Saratoga (518)885-8995 Eat Smart NY of the Capital Region (518)765-3522 www.capitalregionesny.org, Free Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) education program.

#### **Grocery Stores**

Many grocery store chains offer programs run by registered dietitians that provide grocery shopping tips and nutrition education for diabetes patients. Examples: **Shop Rite,** Health & Wellness Coordinator (518)708-3445 **Hannaford,** Healthy Living Center www.hannaford.com/dietitians **Price Chopper/ Market 32** https://www.pricechopper.com/health-wellness/nutrition/

#### **Seniors Only**

Local Office for the Aging, by county : Meals on Wheels & additional nutrition services for seniors. Albany : (518) 447-7183 Rensselaer: (518) 270-2739 Saratoga : (518) 884-4100 Schenectady (518) 382-8481 Columbia : (518) 828-4258 Greene (518) 719-3555 Montgomery: (518) 843-2300 Fulton: (518)736-5650 Silver Sneakers Fitness Program www.silversneakers.com or 888-423-4632

## 4 Physical Activity

150+ minutes of moderate-intensity exercise per week recommended. Contact your health insurance company, many offer physical activity programs for diabetes patients such as free gym memberships.

#### **Other Programs**

YMCA: Exercise and healthy living programs in most locations. Scholarships available for those who cannot afford fees. www.CDYMCA.org Stratton VA Medical Center Nutrition Counseling & MOVE Weight Management Program for members only. www.nutrition.va.gov (518) 626-6871

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## Support Groups

Whether it is exchanging information about diabetes, attending events, or just being available to talk and listen, support groups are a great way to meet people and understand a condition that affects so many.

#### St. Peter's Health Partners

Diabetes and Endocrine Care (518) 471-3636 Ellis Medicine (518) 347-5421 Diabetes Education & Outpatient Nutritional Services Saratoga Hospital Nutrition and Diabetes Education (518)886-5121 St. Mary's Healthcare: Amsterdam (518) 841-3717

#### Free Support for Women

**Diabetes Sisters** 

Monthly meet-ups in Clifton park & Albany/Schenectady For more information please visit the Diabetes Sisters website www.diabetessisters.org

#### Support Group for Children With Type 1 Diabetes

JDRF's Sugar Free Gang (518) 477-2873 NYSUT Building Auditorium, www.Jdrf.org

### 6 Always make sure to schedule periodic visits with your health practitioner

My next Diabetes Checkup is on :\_\_\_\_\_\_ with:\_\_\_\_\_\_

See our comprehensive guide to regional Diabetes Self-Management resources at: hcdiny.org > Stay Healthy > Self-management guides



Do you need help managing medical costs, getting health insurance or social supports like food assistance? Contact us at : (518)462-7040 175 Central Avenue, Albany, New York 12206



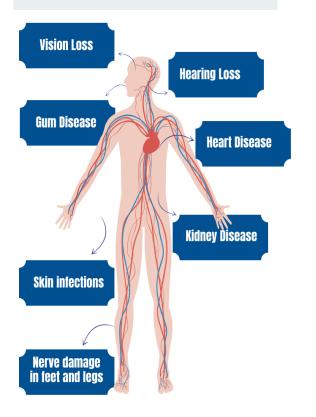
# Is Your Diabetes Being Managed?





#### **1**A **Dangers of Uncontrolled Diabetes**

These are some of the complications that your body might go through if your blood glucose is not controlled properly:



## Make sure to check your blood glucose levels daily



care provider right away

\* levels refer to testing 2 hours after having a meal

#### **Diabetes Self-management** B **Training & Education**

Attending a group program, or seeing a Registered Dietitian or Certified Diabetes Educator one-on-one can help you gain control over your blood sugar levels. Check with your provider first and ask for a referral.

#### **Medical Centers**

#### **Albany Medical Center**

Division of Community Endocrinology (518) 489-4704 Ellis Diabetes Care, Ellis Health Center (518) 347-5421

St. Peter's Health Partners, Diabetes and Endocrine Care (518) 471-3636

Saratoga Hospital, Diabetes: One step at a Time (518) 886-5121

Saratoga Hospital Medical Group (518) 580-2185 **Community Care Physicians, P.C.** 

Patient Education & Wellness Program (518)713-5347 St. Mary's Healthcare: Amsterdam (518) 841-3717

#### **Private Practice**

There are many private practices in the Capital District that provide diabetes education, search for terms like "Diabetes educator", "certified Diabetes educator" or "Certified Diabetes Care and Education Specialist" (CDCES)

#### Free for All Program

#### Living With Type 2 Program

A FREE 12 month digital education program, available in both English and Spanish. To sign up for this program: call 1-800-DIABETES (800-342-2383)

#### Some Health Insurance Companies have resources for their members with diabetes:

Check with your insurance provider, here are some examples: **BSNENY Diabetes Disease Management (Blue Shield of** North Eastern NY) 1-877-878-8785 option 2 **MVP Diabetes Care Program** 1-866-942-7966 CDPHP Care Team 1-800-365-4180

#### Other Programs that are Designed for their Members only:

#### Stratton VA Medical Center (518) 626-6889 Diabetes Self-Management Education Program Albany Medical Center, Goodman Diabetes Service (518) 262-5185

Must be enrolled for health care at the AMC Department of Endocrinology.

#### Albany Medical Center Pediatric Endocrinology (518) 262-5723

Must be enrolled for health care at AMC Pediatric Endocrinology.

#### 2 Medication Assistance **Programs**

You might qualify to receive help in purchasing medication, please contact your local Community Health Advocate Program (CHA) for health insurance questions.

#### Local CHA Programs

#### **Healthy Capital District Initiative**

Serving Albany, Columbia, Greene, Rensselaer, Saratoga, and Schenectady Counties (518) 462-7040 Independent Living Center of the Hudson Valley Serving Albany, Columbia, Greene, Rensselaer, and Schenectady Counties (518) 274-0701 Southern Adirondack Independent Living Center Serving Saratoga, Fulton, Montgomery, and additional Counties (518) 792-3537 St. Peter's Health Partners Prescription Assistance Program: (518) 268-6442 or (518) 525-6646 Serving: Albany, Columbia, Greene, Rensselaer, Saratoga and Schenectady Counties

#### **New York Statewide CHA Programs**

Community Service Society (888) 614-5400 **Empire Justice Center** (800) 724-0490x5822 Medicare Rights Center (800)333-4114