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What is Diabetes?

Diabetes is diagnosed when a person's body does not make enough insulin or cannot properly use insulin. Insulin is a hormone needed to turn food into energy.

The Three Types

Type 1

The body does not produce any insulin

Must take insulin to live Occurs in children and young adults 5-10 percent of people with diabetes

Type 2

The body does not make enough or properly use insulin

Can be treated with diet, exercise and/or medication



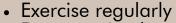


Gestational

Occurs in pregnancy with high blood sugar

Usually goes away after the baby is born Risk of developing Type 2 later in life increased by 50-60 percent

Prevention Tips



- Decrease intake of fried or fatty foods
- Eat fewer sweet foods
- Drink fewer sweet drinks
- Eat more vegetables, fruits, and whole grains
- Lose weight
- Quit smoking

Risk Factors

- Overweight or obese
- No exercise
- Hereditary
- Have high blood pressure
- · Have high cholesterol and triglycerides





We provide services for: Type 1 & Type 2 Diabetes Gestational Diabetes **Obesity and Weight Management**

Classes are scheduled by physician referral. For more information, call (803) 712-0364

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