



Medical Education for Practical Application

Advances in Treatment Options for Children and Adolescents with T2DM



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Learning Objectives

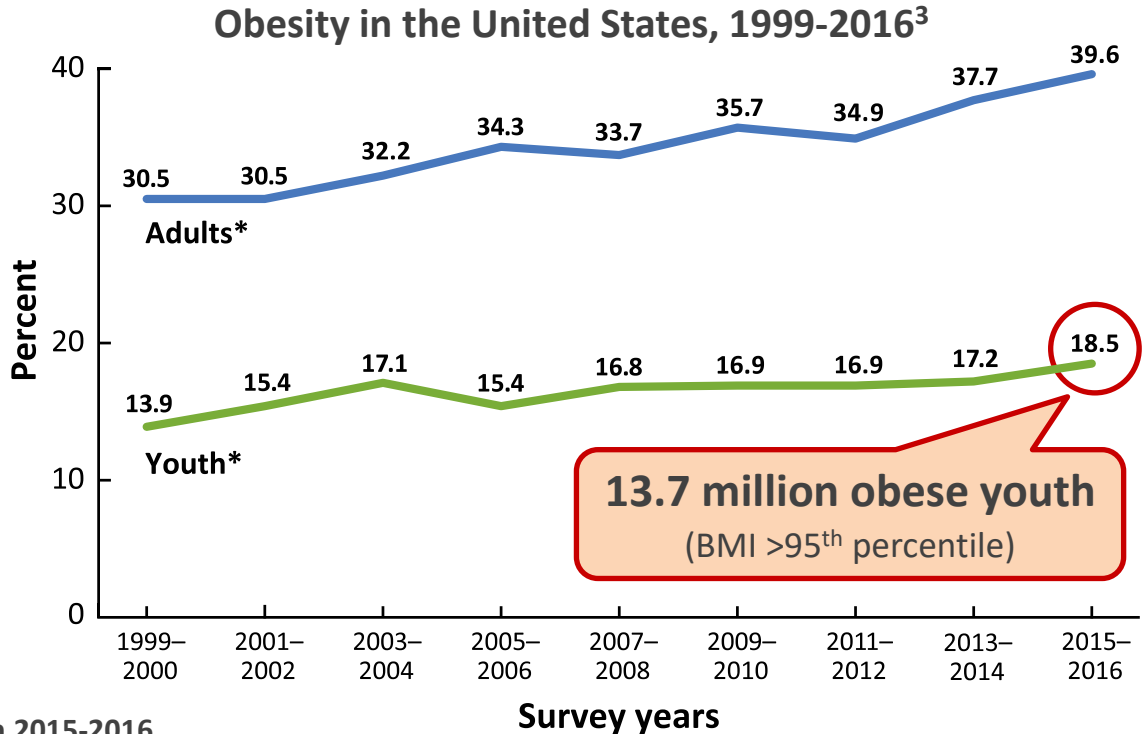
- Describe the increasing prevalence of T2DM among children and adolescents, along with evidence-based screening and diagnostic recommendations to identify at-risk youth
- Integrate guideline-directed strategies into routine management of children and adolescents with T2DM
- Review efficacy and safety outcomes, mechanisms of action, and prescribing information on newly approved and emerging therapies for pediatric patients with T2DM
- Apply effective communication strategies involving shared decision-making (SDM) with the pediatric patient and family to achieve lifestyle changes and foster medication adherence



Recognizing T2DM in Children and Adolescents

Sedentary Lifestyle + Obesity = T2DM

- Children ages 2-5 are sedentary 7-7.5 hours daily¹
- Overweight 5-year-olds are **4x more likely** than normal weight children to **become obese** over the next 9 years²



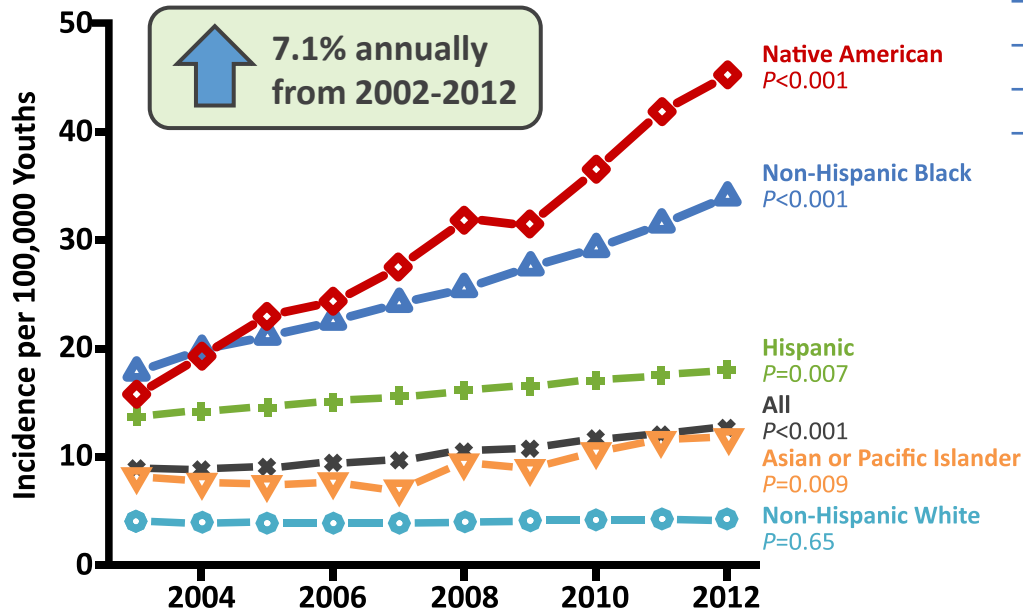
*Significant increasing trend from 1999-2000 through 2015-2016

1. Garriguet D, et al. *Heal Reports*. 2016;27(9):14-23. 2. Cunningham SA, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2014;370(5):403-411.

3. Hales CM, et al. *NCHS Data Brief*. 2017;(288):1-8.

Increasing Prevalence of T2DM Among Youth

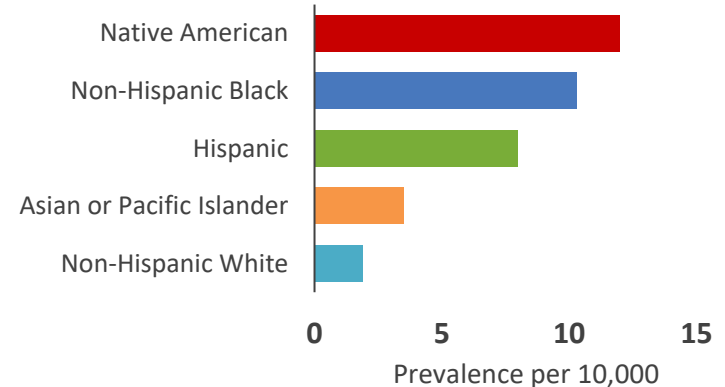
Incidence of T2DM, 10-19 Years of Age¹



- Racial and ethnic trends likely due to several factors

- Genetics
- Metabolic characteristics
- Culture/environment
- Quality of and access to healthcare

Prevalence of Youth-Onset T2DM by Race/Ethnicity, 2009²



Youth-Onset T2DM

- High therapeutic failure rates + rapid β -cell loss = **insulin treatment earlier in disease course**
- Accelerated development of DM comorbidities
 - Hypertension
 - Microalbuminuria
 - Low HDL cholesterol
 - High triglycerides

Rapidly progressive
 β -cell decline

3-4x faster than adult-onset T2DM¹

Renal/neurological complications within **5 years** of diagnosis¹

Major complications (dialysis, blindness, or amputation) within **10 years** of diagnosis²

Risk-Based Screening Criteria

Consider testing in youth* who are overweight ($\geq 85\%$) or obese ($\geq 95\%$)



Plus 1 or More of the Following Risk Factors

- **Maternal history** of diabetes or GDM during the child's gestation
- **Family history** of T2DM in first- or second-degree relative
- **Race/ethnicity:** Native American, African American, Latino, Asian American, Pacific Islander
- **Signs of insulin resistance** or conditions associated with insulin resistance
 - Acanthosis nigricans
 - Hypertension
 - Dyslipidemia
 - Polycystic ovary syndrome
 - Small-for-gestational age birth weight

**After the onset of puberty or after 10 years of age, whichever occurs earlier.*

Arslanian S, et al. *Diabetes Care*. 2018;41(12):2648-2668.

Diagnostic Criteria: Prediabetes

- **A1C 5.7% to <6.5%** (39 to <48 mmol/mol).
- **Impaired Fasting Glucose (IFG):** fasting glucose ≥ 100 but <126 mg/dL (≥ 5.6 but <7.0 mmol/L).
- **Impaired Glucose Tolerance (IGT):** 2-h plasma glucose ≥ 140 but <200 mg/dL (≥ 7.8 but <11.1 mmol/L) during an oral glucose tolerance test (OGTT).

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If tests are normal, repeat testing at a minimum of 3-year intervals or more frequently if BMI is increasing.

Diagnostic Criteria: Diabetes

- **A1C $\geq 6.5\%$ (≥ 48 mmol/mol).** **OR**
- **FPG ≥ 126 mg/dL (7.0 mmol/L).** Fasting is defined as no caloric intake for at least 8 hours.* **OR**
- **2-h plasma glucose ≥ 200 mg/dL (11.1 mmol/L) during an OGTT.** **OR**
- In a patient with classic symptoms of hyperglycemia or hyperglycemic crisis, **a random plasma glucose > 200 mg/dL (11.1 mmol/L).**

**In the absence of unequivocal hyperglycemia, result should be confirmed by repeat testing.*

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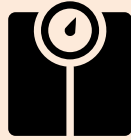


Pediatric Clinical Practice Guidelines Focused on Improving T2DM Outcomes

Lifestyle and Dietary Recommendations

Children and Adolescents with T2DM

**Obese/
Overweight**



Goal of **7% to 10%** weight loss

Exercise



**Moderate to vigorous
physical activity**

30-60 minutes 5 days per week



Strength training

3 days per week

Nutrition



Nutrient-dense,
high-quality foods

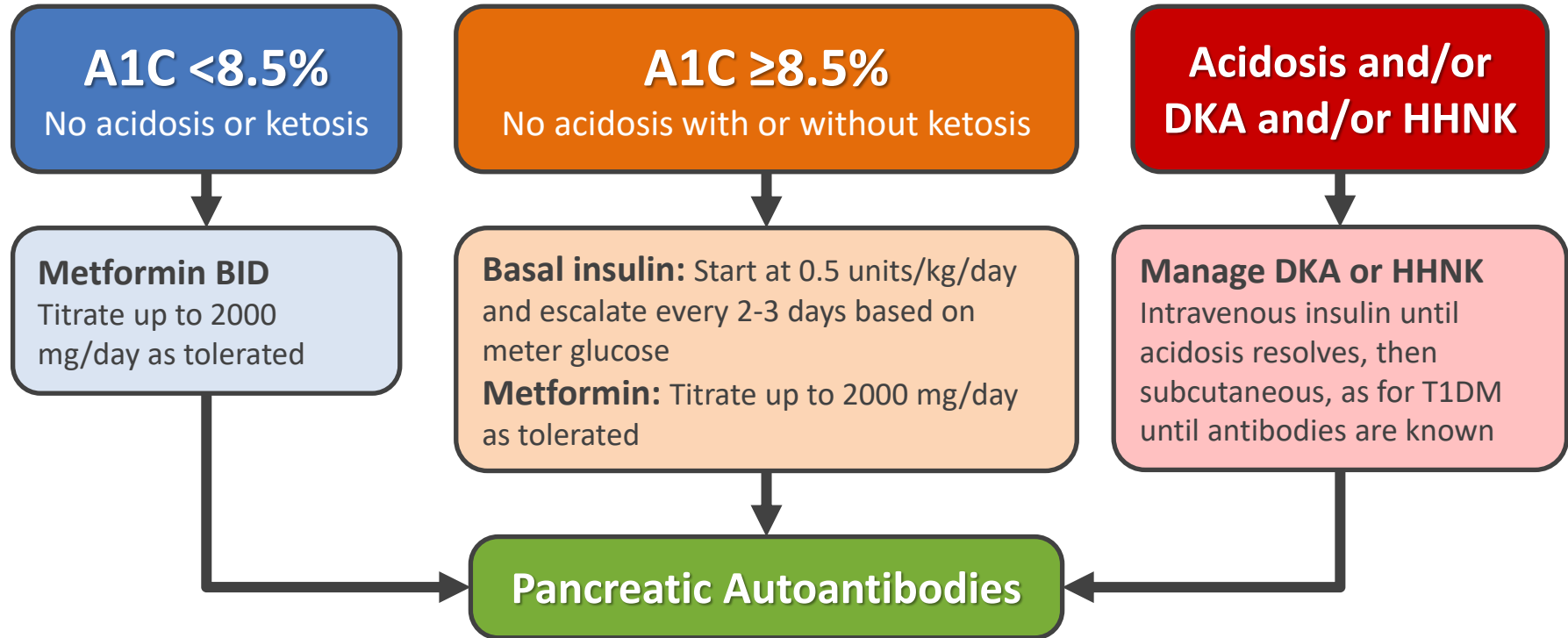


Calorie-dense,
nutrient-poor foods

HbA1c Targets

- Measured every 3 months
- Goal in most: <7%
- More stringent goals (e.g. <6.5%) may be appropriate for select patients
 - Short duration of diabetes
 - Lesser degrees of B-cell dysfunction
 - Significant weight loss with lifestyle and dietary interventions
- HbA1c targets for youth on insulin must be individualized
- Home self-monitoring of blood glucose (SMBG) should be individualized

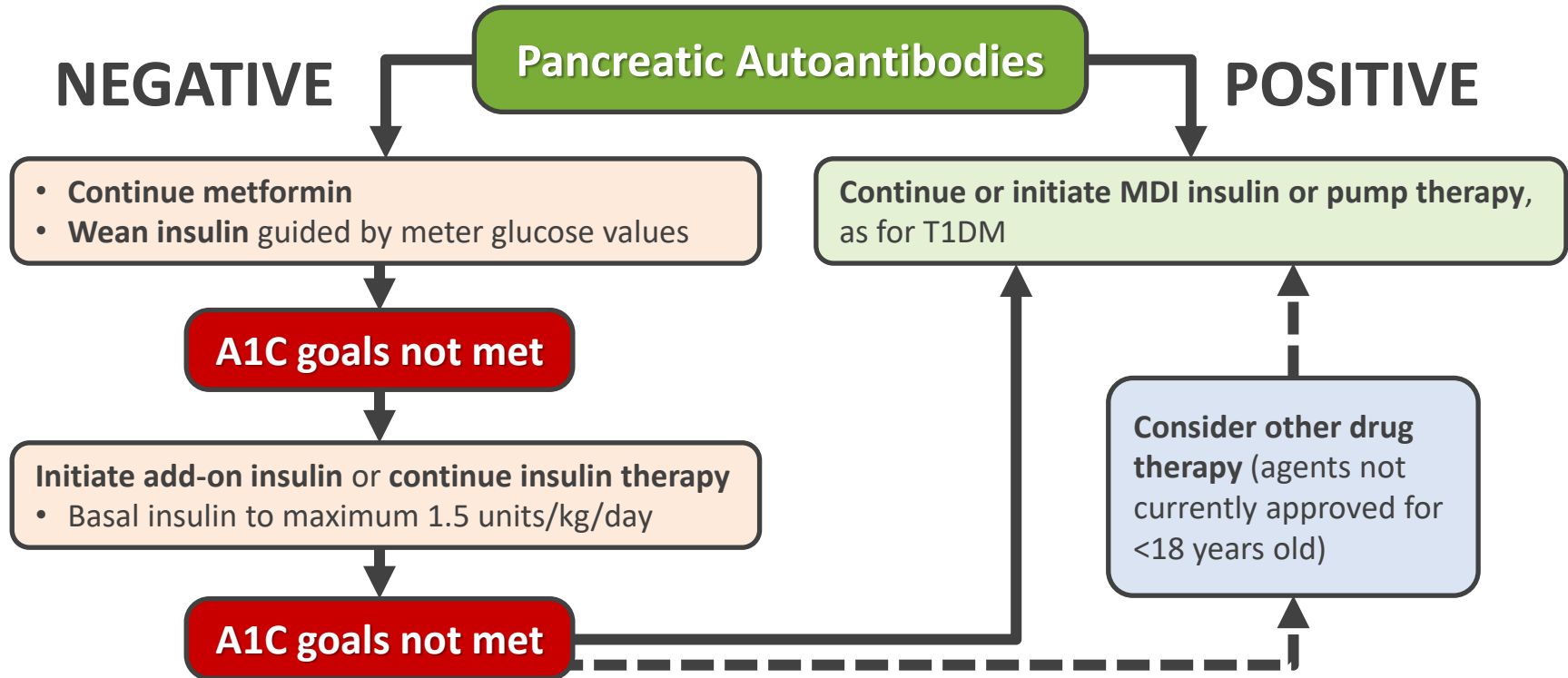
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Pancreatic Autoantibodies

- Important to exclude the possibility of autoimmune T1DM
- Ab+ youth present more like individuals with T1DM
 - Progress to insulin more rapidly
 - At risk for other autoimmune disorders
- Testing should include
 - GAD65 antibodies
 - IA2 antibodies
 - Insulin autoantibody (individuals who have not yet been exposed to exogenous insulin)
- Benefit of ZnT8 antibody testing remains unclear

Management of T2DM





New and Emerging Therapeutic Options for Pediatric Patients with T2DM

Liraglutide FDA-Approved for Pediatric T2DM

- June 2019: expanded approval for patients **ages 10 and older**
- GLP-1 receptor agonist
- Administered subcutaneously once-daily
 - Initiate at 0.6 mg daily for at least a week
 - Increase to 1.2-1.8 mg as necessary
 - Must be on 1.2 mg dose for at least a week before increasing to 1.8 mg
- Dispensed in a pre-filled, multi-dose pen capable of delivering doses of 0.6, 1.2, or 1.8

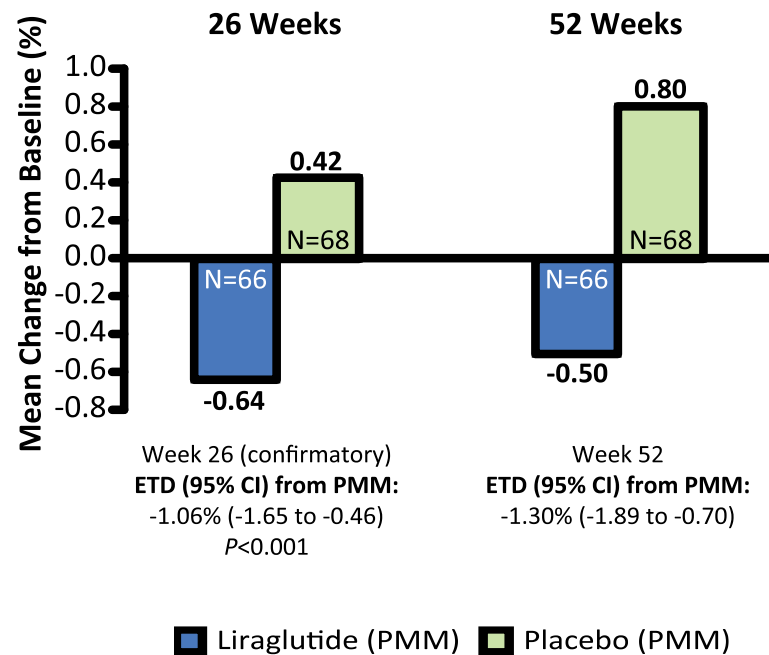
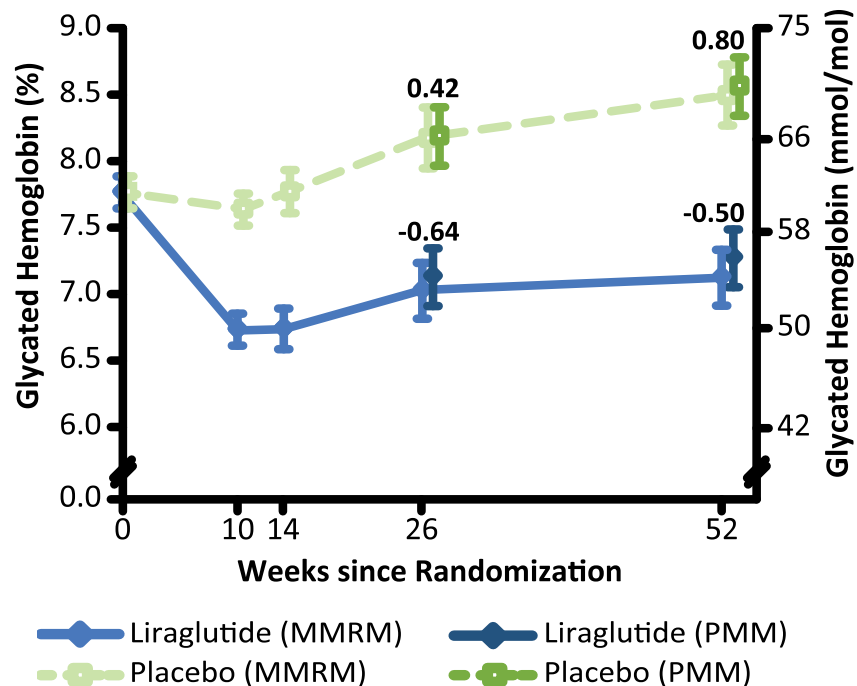
Ellipse Trial

- 135 patients ages 10 to 17 years with T2DM
 - Mean age 14.6 years
- Inclusion criteria
 - BMI >85th percentile
 - HbA1c 7% to 11% if treated with diet and exercise alone
 - HbA1c 6.5% to 11% if treated with metformin
- Primary end point: change from baseline in HbA1c by 26 weeks
- Secondary end points included change in FPG and BMI

Ellipse Trial: Primary End Point

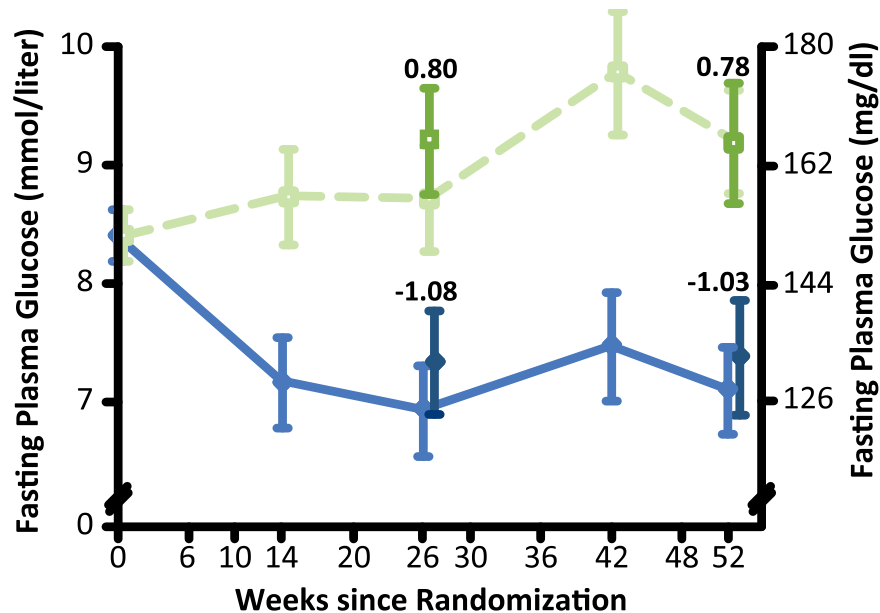
Glycated Hemoglobin

63.7% and 36.5% of liraglutide and placebo groups achieved HbA1c <7%

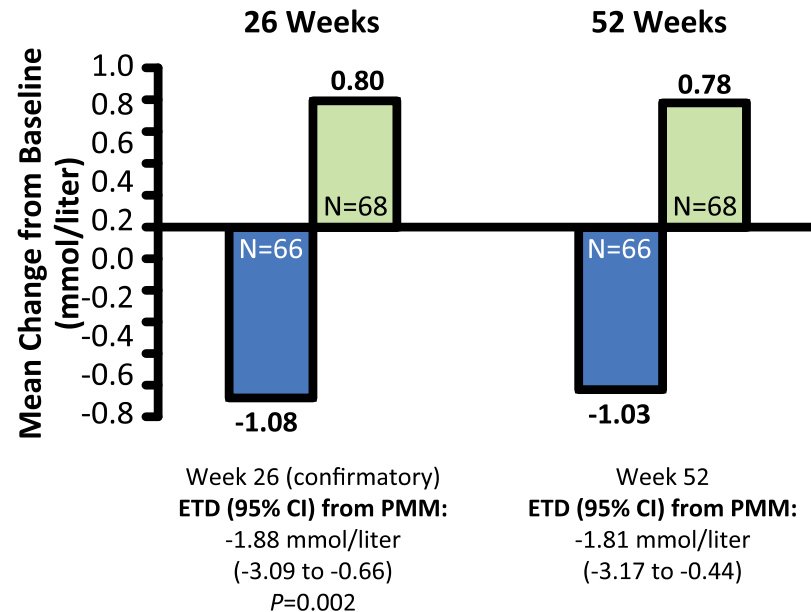


Ellipse Trial: Secondary End Points

Fasting Plasma Glucose



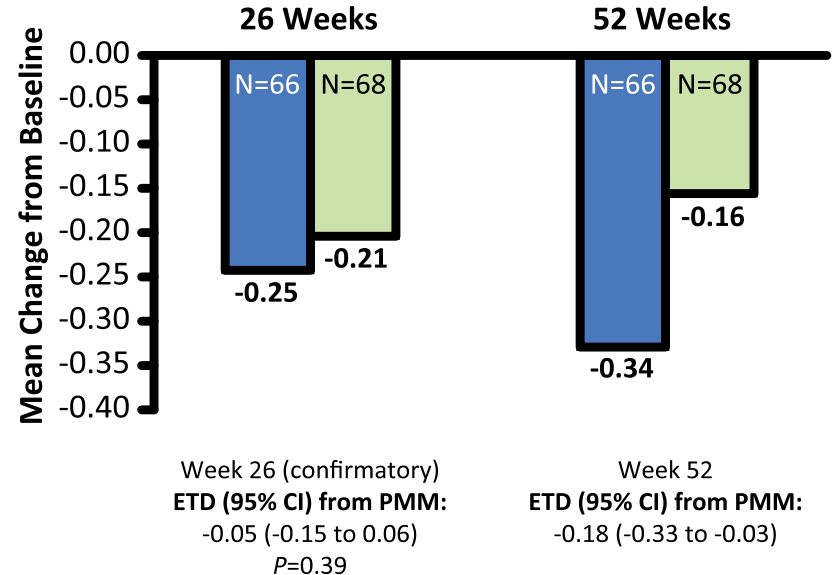
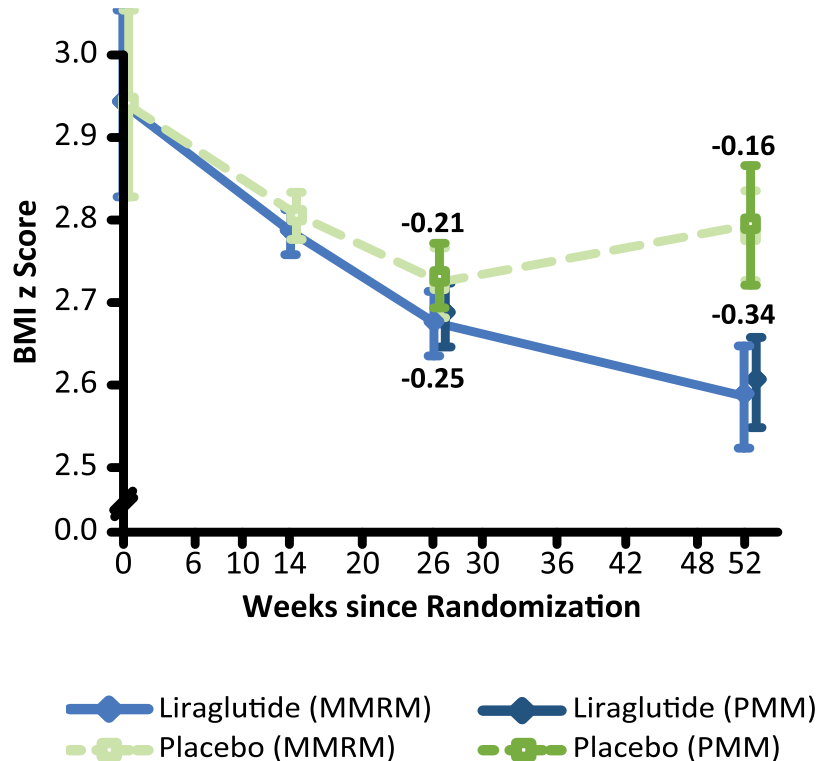
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BMI z Score

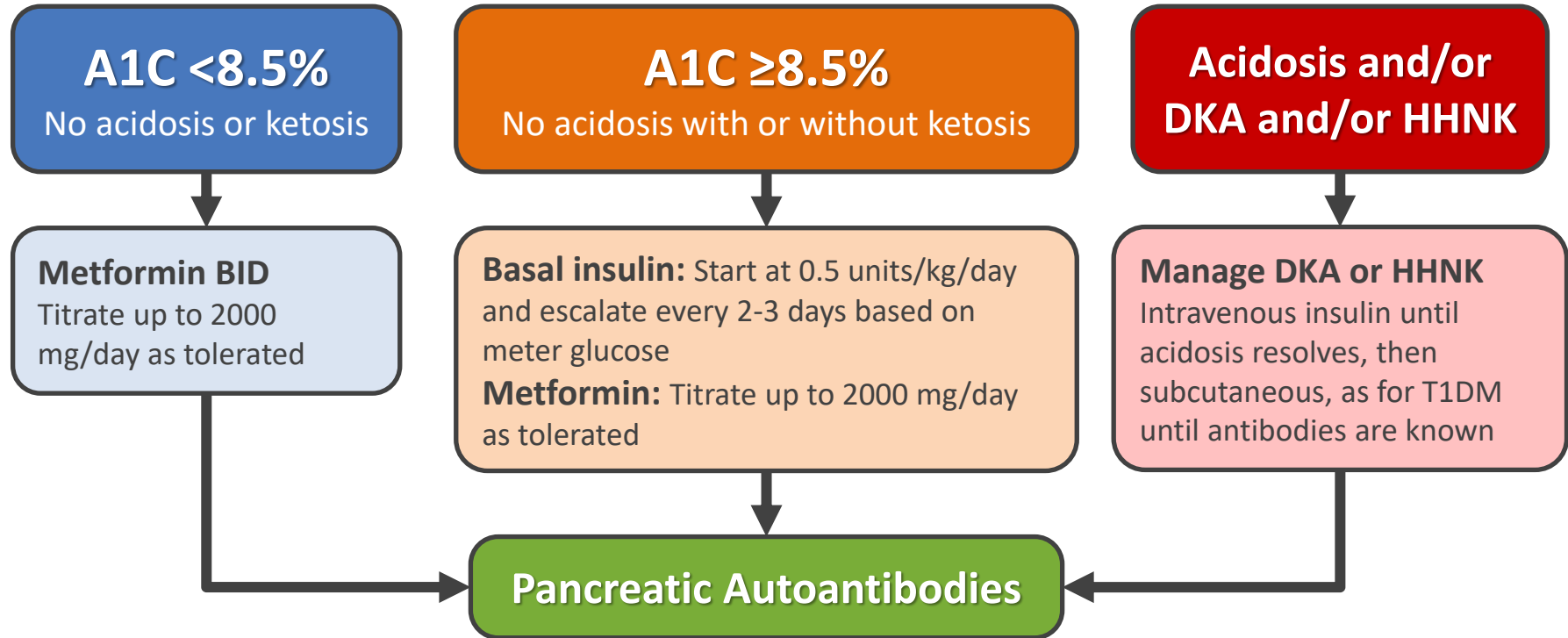


Ellipse Trial: Safety and Tolerability

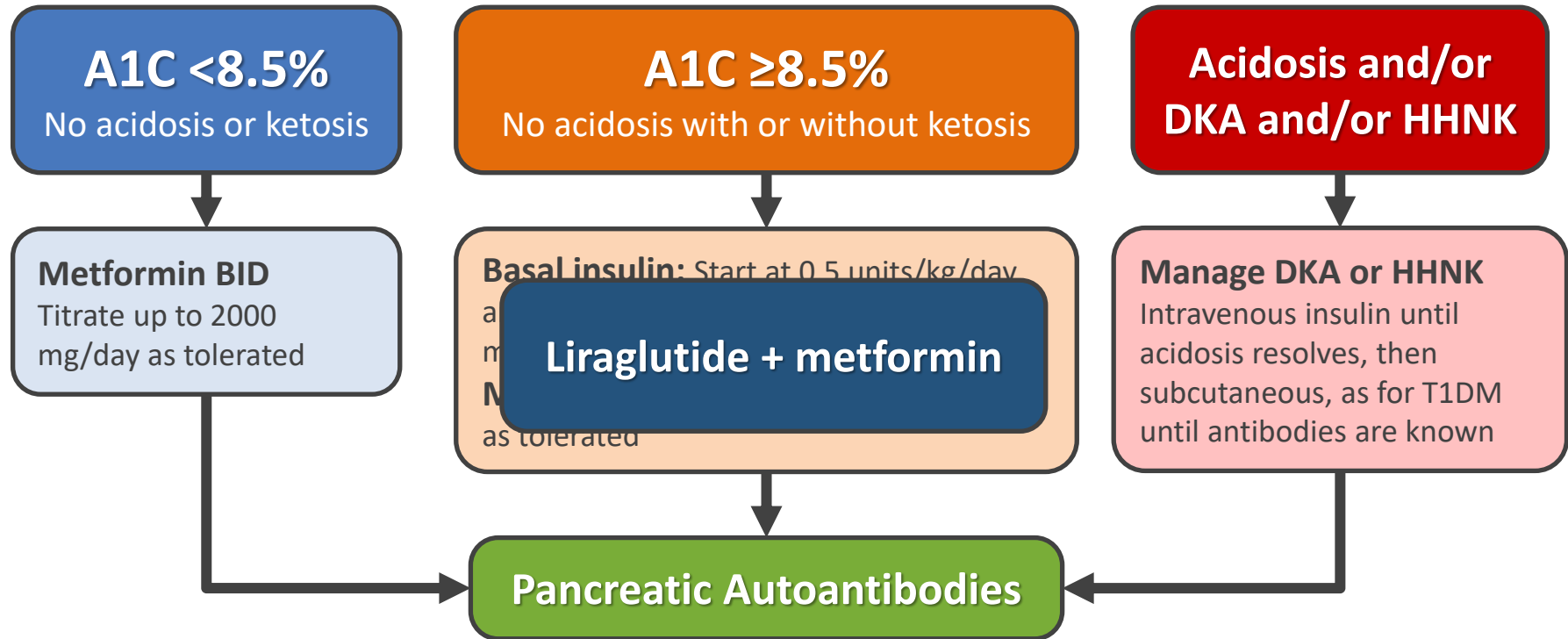
Tolerability	26 Weeks		52 Weeks Extension	
	Liraglutide	Placebo	Liraglutide	Placebo
Completed Treatment, %	90.9	84.1	84.8	76.8
No Rescue Medication, %	86.4	66.7	71.2	50.7
Adverse Events	Liraglutide N = 68	Placebo N = 66	Relative Risk (95% CI)	
All Adverse Events, %	84.8	80.9	1.05 (0.90-1.22)	
Serious Adverse Events, %	13.6	5.9	2.32 (0.75-7.16)	
AEs leading to discontinuation, %	1.5	1.5	1.03 (0.07-16.13)	
Nausea, %	28.8	13.2	2.18 (1.06-4.46)	
Vomiting, %	25.8	8.8	2.92 (1.23-6.95)	
Hypoglycemia (minor*), %	24.2	10.3	2.35 (1.04-5.35)	

*Plasma glucose of less than 55.8 mg per deciliter (3.1 mmol per liter)

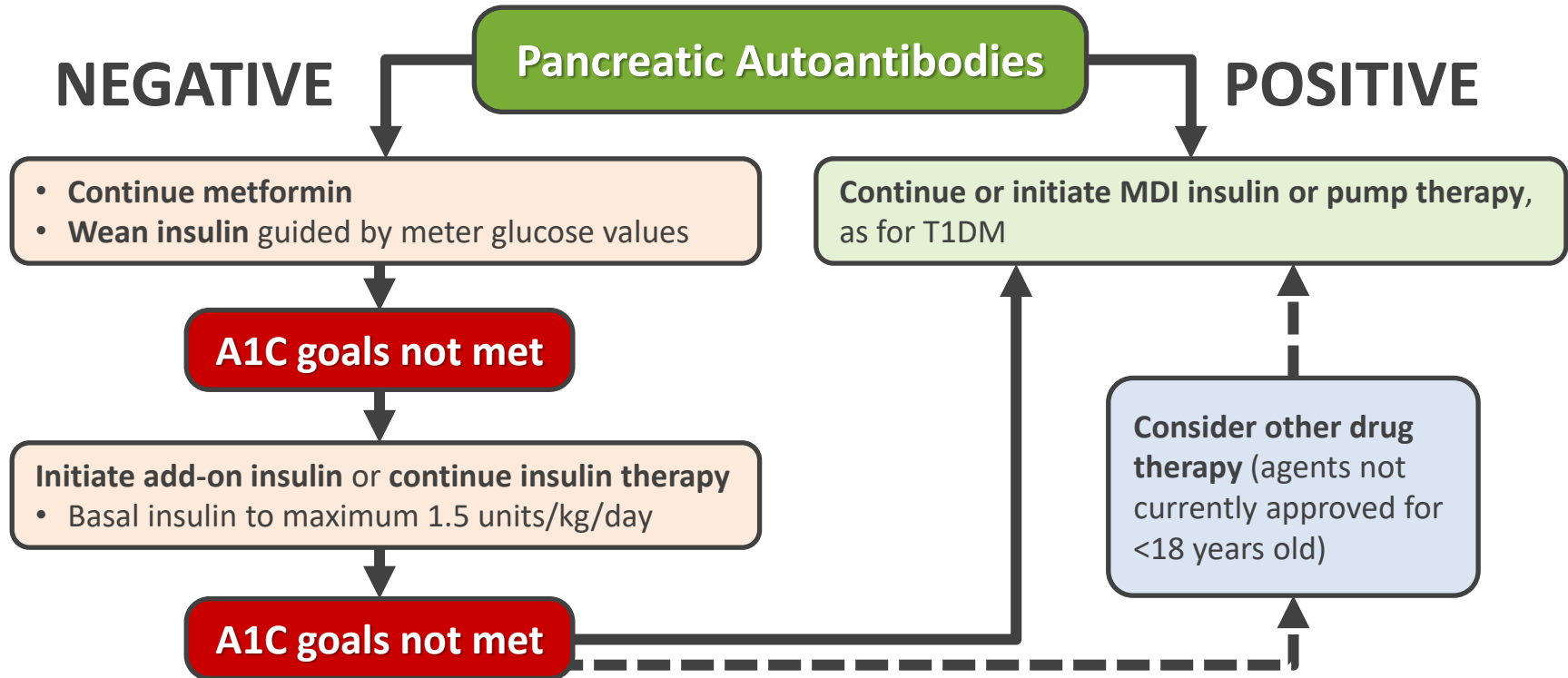
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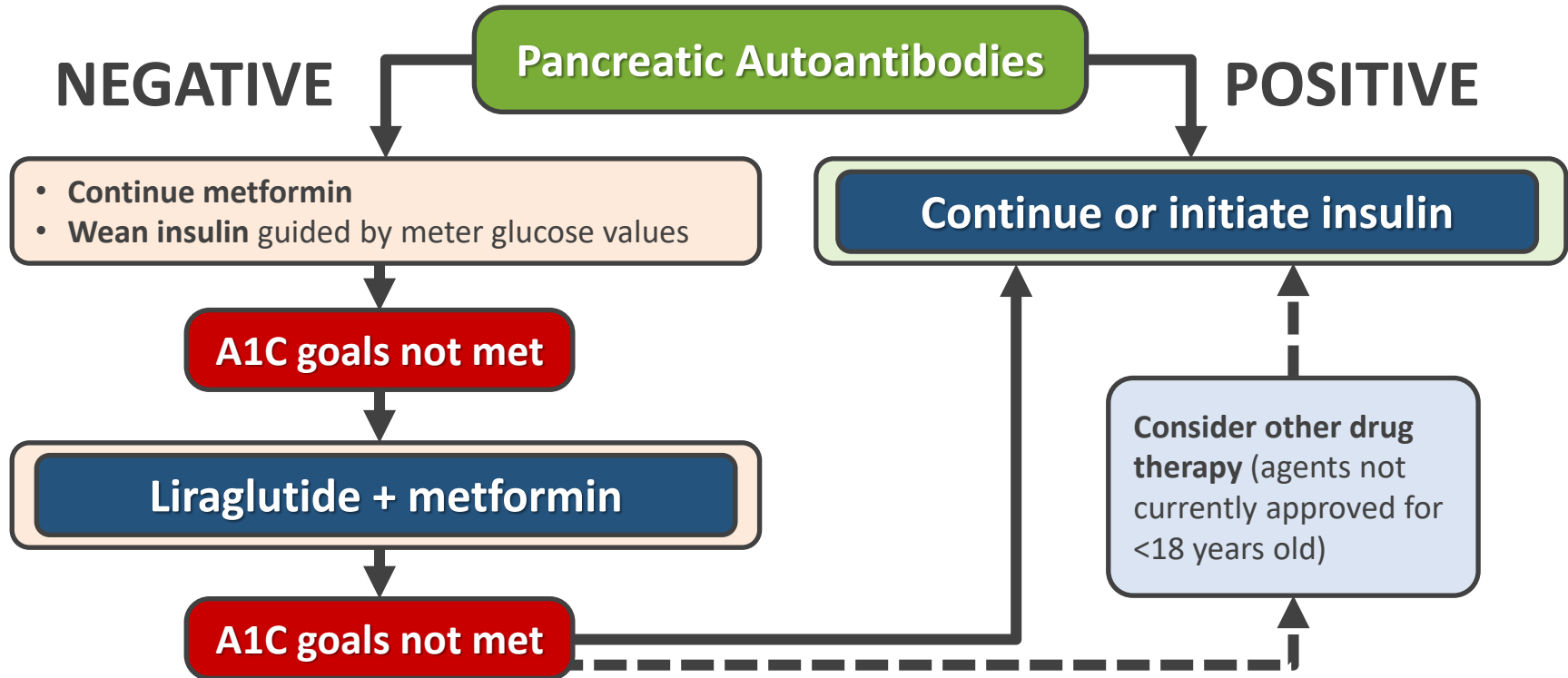
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Ongoing Phase 3 Clinical Trials

Drug	Age	Completion	Status	NCT
<i>DPP-4 Inhibitors</i>				
Sitagliptin	10-17 years	September 2019	Trials completed but no results available	NCT01760447
	10-17 years	September 2019		NCT01472367
	10-17 years	October 2019		NCT01485614
Alogliptin	10-17 years	June 2021		NCT02856113
<i>SGLT2 Inhibitors</i>				
Dapagliflozin	10-24 years	April 2020		NCT02725593
Canagliflozin	10-17 years	June 2022		NCT03170518
<i>GLP-1 Receptor Agonists</i>				
Dulaglutide	10-17 years	Jan 2022		NCT02963766
Exenatide QW	10-17 years	June 2023		NCT01554618
<i>Combinations</i>				
Linagliptin + Empagliflozin	10-17 years	Jan 2022		NCT03429543
Dapagliflozin + Saxagliptin	10-18 years	Nov 2022		NCT03199053



Importance of Effective Communication with the Patient and Family

Guideline Recommendations

- Psychosocial issues and family stresses should be assessed at diagnosis and during routine follow-up care
 - Starting around 7-8 years old
- Mental health professionals should be integral to the pediatric multidisciplinary team
- Encourage family involvement
- Start offering one-on-one time with provider around age 12
- Starting at puberty, all girls should receive preconception counseling as part of routine care

Addressing Adherence

- Key predictors of HbA1c in the year following diagnosis¹
 - Treatment adherence
 - BMI reduction
- Perceived provider compassion and optimism positively affect coping ability with T2DM²

Premature transfer of diabetes care to child can lead to **burn-out, nonadherence, and deterioration in glycemic control**

Strategies for Motivational Interviewing

1. **Open-ended questions.** Avoid asking questions that can be answered with a “yes” or “no.”
2. **Affirmations.** Never underestimate the power of expressing empathy during tough spots or in celebrating patients’ accomplishments.
3. **Reflective listening.** Patients often have the answers; the physician’s role is to help guide them.
 - Acknowledge the patient’s mood about what he or she is telling you
 - Reflecting patients’ statements and feelings back to them reinforces self-efficacy

Why Shared Decision-Making?

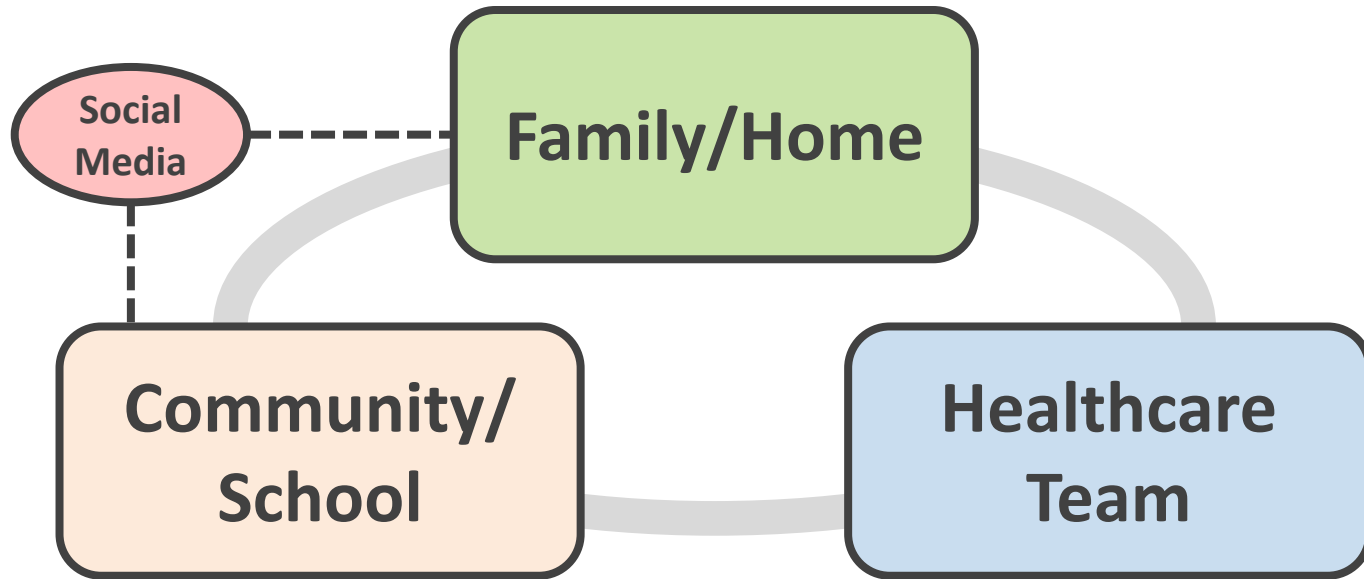
Patient-centered health care

When youth and their parents engage in shared decision-making, they...

- Learn about their health and understand their health conditions
- Recognize that a decision needs to be made and are informed about the options
- Understand the pros and cons of different options
- Have the information and tools needed to evaluate their options
- Are better prepared to talk with their healthcare provider
- Collaborate with their health care team to make a decision right for them
- Are more likely to follow through on their decision (improved adherence)



It Takes a Village



EHR = BFF? A Qualitative Study of DM Support Based in an EHR

“I feel much safer now than I did before... If I had to pick one thing out of how this [programme] has affected my life and my everyday living, [it's] the fact that I'm not chronically worrying about everything. If I didn't have any access to knowing what's going on with my health, I think I'd probably go back on ulcer medicine... If I suddenly didn't have all this, I would probably be just a raving hypochondriac.”

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*“Somebody should have been looking at them [the blood glucose levels], and if they were looking at them, I would have thought that they might have at least let me know that they were looking at them and that they understood what was going on. **Maybe they looked at the record, I don't know, but they never let me know that they had done anything about it. I mean it was like sending it off into a void, into a black hole, and never hearing anything back.**”*



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- Prevalence of T2DM among youth is increasing
 - Sedentary lifestyle + obesity
 - Native American, Non-Hispanic Black, and Hispanic patients are most affected
- Youth-Onset T2DM
 - High therapeutic failure rates + rapid β -cell loss = insulin treatment earlier in the disease course
- Risk-based screening criteria should be applied to overweight or obese youth
- Risk factor considerations include maternal history, family history, race/ethnicity, and signs of insulin resistance

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- Diagnostic criteria
 - **Prediabetes:** A1C 5.7% to <6.5%, IFG, IGT
 - **Diabetes:** A1C $\geq 6.5\%$ or FPG ≥ 126 mg/dL or 2-h plasma glucose ≥ 200 mg/dL or random plasma glucose > 200 mg/dL (patient with hyperglycemia)
- Lifestyle and diet: weight loss, exercise, nutrition
- Pancreatic autoantibodies should be checked
- Guideline-directed management relies on use of metformin and insulin depending on current HbA1c and target

Summary

- Liraglutide now approved for patients age 10 and older
- Ellipse Trial
 - HbA1c (%): -0.64 by 26 weeks, -0.50 by 52 weeks
 - FPG (mmol/liter): -1.08 by 26 weeks, -1.03 by 52 weeks
 - BMI (kg): -2.3 by 26 weeks, -1.91 kg by 52 weeks
 - Well-tolerated with AEs consistent to liraglutide use
 - Nausea (28.8%), vomiting (25.8%), and hypoglycemia (24.2%)
- Provider compassion and optimism aid adherence
- Involve the youth and parent: effective communication involving shared decision-making



Thank You!