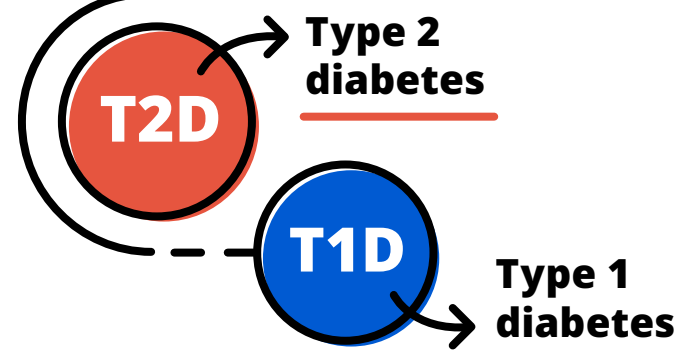


Injectable Medicines: Part of the Diabetes Journey



If you're living with diabetes, the medicine(s) your doctor prescribes will depend on the type of diabetes you have and where you are in your treatment journey. All diabetes medicines work best alongside a healthy diet and exercise, and your doctor's recommendations may change over time.



Diabetes pills

There are many types of diabetes pills, and they're often the first prescribed treatment for type 2 diabetes. Over time, you may need to try more than one or even add or switch to another type of treatment, such as an injectable medicine.



Diabetes medicines you inject

Your doctor may recommend one of these therapies depending on the type of diabetes you have, other medical conditions you may have, or how far your diabetes has progressed.



Non-insulin injections

GLP-1 receptor agonists work to:

- Help the pancreas release more insulin when blood glucose is high
- Keep the liver from making too much glucose
- Slow movement of food leaving the stomach

Amylin analogs work to:

- Inhibit glucagon secretion and keep the liver from making too much glucose
- Slow movement of food leaving the stomach
- Possibly suppress appetite



Insulin injections

Injectable insulin works like your body's own insulin, lowering blood glucose by helping it move from the blood into your cells

There are many types of insulin, with differences in:

- How quickly they start to work
- When they peak
- How long they last



Still have questions about the different types of diabetes medications?

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