

# TYPE 2 DIABETES INPATIENT MANAGEMENT

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## HYPERGLYCEMIA >180 mg /dL

### Established DM

### Undiagnosed DM

### Stress hyperglycemia

- increased in-hospital complications and mortality

## MANAGEMENT

### HPI + PMHx

- Diabetes diagnosis hx
- Current + past DM medications
- Overall glycemic control
- Past complications
- Co-morbidities
- Other hospitalizations
- Feeding / Nutrition type

### LABS

- Hemoglobin A1C
  - Repeat if last HbA1C was >3 months ago
- Regular blood glucose monitoring

### SET BG TARGETS


- Dependent on individual factors

### STOP NON-INSULIN TREATMENTS


- Metformin:
  - Risk of nephropathy, especially with contrast agents
  - Lactic acidosis
- Sulfonylureas:
  - Risk of hypocalcemia
- TZD:
  - Fluid retention
  - ✖ in CHF + Hepatic disease
- DPP-4i:
  - Potential useful adjuvant
- SGLT2i:
  - Euglycemic ketoacidosis

## STUDIES

### Glucose Management in Hospitalized Patients.

Those with a single blood glucose measurement of > 220 mg per dL on the first postoperative day had an increased risk of sepsis, pneumonia, and wound infection. 

### Glycemic control and sliding scale insulin use in medical inpatients with diabetes mellitus.

Sliding-scale insulin were associated with a threefold higher risk of hyperglycemic episodes compared with no therapy. 

## INSULIN REGIMEN

### BASAL-BOLUS

### TOTAL DAILY DOSE

0.3 - 0.6  
units / kg / day

50%

Basal

50%

Bolus

### Individualize basal - bolus insulin regimen

Patient factors (renal function, age), meds (steroids), nutrition type (NPO)

### CKD / Age >70 years old / ↑ risk of hypoglycemia

Start at a lower dose (e.g., 0.3-0.4 units/kg/day)

### ↑ Insulin resistance / Therapies that ↑ insulin resistance

Start at a higher dose (e.g., 0.6 units/kg/day)

### Patients on steroids

Increase the prandial dose (40:60 basal: bolus) or use NPH

### NPO/fasting

Consider 10-20% ↓ in basal insulin based on glucose goals

### Type 1 Diabetes

Must ALWAYS be on basal insulin even with NPO

## CORRECTIONAL

Various scales may be used

Low-Dose  
Scale



Bolus dose adjustment to correct blood glucose concentration  
e.g. - 1 unit insulin for every 50 mg/dL of blood glucose >150 mg/dL

1 unit

2 units

3 units

etc...

100

150

200

250

300