

Are you at risk for prediabetes?



1 in 3 U.S. adults has prediabetes. Most don't know it. Are you at risk?

You may have prediabetes and be at risk for type 2 diabetes if you:

- o Are 45 years of age or older
- o Are overweight
- o Have a family history of type 2 diabetes
- o Have high blood pressure
- o Are physically active fewer than three times per week
- o Ever had diabetes while pregnant (gestational diabetes) or gave birth to a baby that weighed more than 9 pounds

Prediabetes can lead to serious health problems

Having prediabetes means your blood glucose (sugar) level is higher than normal, but not high enough to be diagnosed as diabetes. But, nearly 90 percent of adults who have prediabetes don't know they have it.

If you have prediabetes and don't lose weight or increase your physical activity, you could develop type 2 diabetes within five years. Type 2 diabetes is a serious condition that can lead to health issues such as heart attack, stroke, blindness, kidney failure, or loss of toes, feet or legs.

What can you do?

- o Talk to your doctor about your risk of having prediabetes.

Here's the good news

If you have prediabetes, your doctor may refer you to a proven lifestyle change program that can help you prevent or delay getting type 2 diabetes.

The National Diabetes Prevention Program can help!

The National Diabetes Prevention Program (National DPP) uses a program that is proven to prevent or delay type 2 diabetes, and will help you lower your risk by improving your food choices and increasing physical activity.

How does it work? As part of a group in your community or online, you will work with a trained lifestyle coach to learn the skills you need to make lasting lifestyle changes. You will learn to eat healthy, add physical activity to your life, manage stress, stay motivated and solve problems that can get in the way of healthy changes.

Features

- o Trained coach to guide and encourage you
- o In-person or online
- o CDC-approved program
- o Support from others working on the same goals as you
- o Skills to help you lose weight, be more physically active and manage stress
- o Some insurance companies will cover

What participants are saying ...

"I love having a lifestyle coach. She has given us great information, helped me stay on track and stay positive!"

—Bruce

"I'm so excited because I went to the doctor last week and all of my numbers were down and I officially no longer have prediabetes."

—Vivien

Now is the time to take charge of your health and make a change! Ask your doctor or nurse.



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