Diabetes-Related Complications Recommended Screenings



Routine physicals and lab work can help prevent and/or delay the onset of diabetes-related complications. Be sure to follow up with your primary care provider or endocrinologist for further guidance.

| Test or Screening | Why is this test or screening important? | What is involved in this test or screening? | How often should I have this test or screening? |
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| Eye Health | Helps prevent, detect or delay: » Diabetic retinopathy » Glaucoma » Cataracts » Macular edema » Dry eye » Blindness | A retinal eye exam or screening conducted by an optometrist or ophthalmologist. | At time of diabetes diagnosis, then yearly |
| | | | Date of my last retinal eye exam: |
| Kidney Health | Helps prevent, detect or delay: » Kidney failure » Need for kidney dialysis » Reduced risk of cardiovascular disease These tests indicate how well your kidneys are working. | A blood test called Estimated Glomerular Filtration Rate (eGFR). A urine test called Urine Microalbumin. | At time of diabetes diagnosis, then yearly |
| | | | Date of my last blood and urine tests: |
| Foot Health | Helps prevent, detect or delay: | Examination and evaluation of your feet, conducted by your primary care provider, endocrinologist or podiatrist | Yearly |
| | » Diabetic foot ulcers » Neuropathy | | Date of my last foot exam: |
| A1C | Provides a 2-3 month snapshot of your average glucose level that helps you and your provider understand how well your diabetes self-management program is working. | A blood draw at your local lab. | Every 3, 6 or 12 months, determined by your provider |
| | | | Date of my last A1C test: |

Diabetes and Vaccines

Vaccines can help prevent serious illness. Preventing illness is critical in helping to manage your diabetes. Underlying conditions, such as diabetes, can increase the risk for severe illness.

| Vaccine | | Completed Date |
|-------------|--|-----------------------|
| Covid-19 | Initial vaccine and boosters | / / |
| Hepatitis B | <60 years of age, ≥60 years of age based on risk assessment from provider | / / |
| Flu | Yearly | / / |
| Pneumonia | 19-64 years of age and \geq 65 years - follow up with provider about which vaccine is best for you | / / |
| RSV | 1 dose for ages 60 years of age and older | / / |
| Tetanus | Booster every 10 years | / / |
| Shingles | ≥50 years of age | / / |