# **Bolder Healthier Champions Webinar Series: Diabetes: Community Champions**

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#### In this webinar...

- What is diabetes?
- Scale of the problem
- How BH Champions and Public Health can help

#### What is Diabetes?

- Uncontrolled high blood glucose (sugar)
- 'Type 1' 'Type 2'
- Treatments: lifestyle changes, medications or insulin injections
- Can cause kidney problems, worsening eyesight, and can even lead to limb loss, heart attacks and stroke.







# **Two Types**

#### **Type 1 Diabetes**

- Body stops producing insulin
- Genetic/ Autoimmune
- Not currently preventable.

Supporting Individuals

#### Type 2

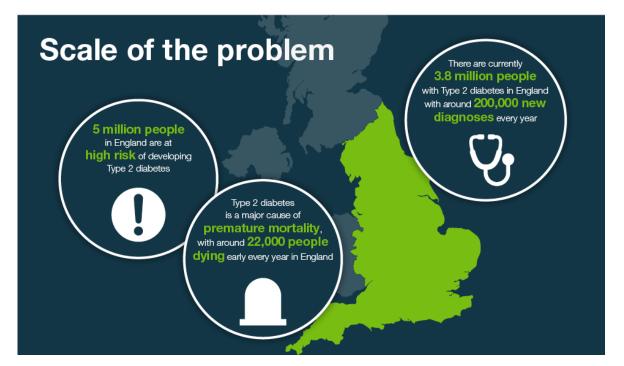
- Body doesn't produce enough insulin
- Linked to Obesity
- Preventable
- 'Pre-diabetes'
- Supporting individuals & Promoting Healthier Lifestyles.



# **Symptoms**

- Increased thirst and hunger
- Fatigue
- Needing to go to the toilet more
- Slow healing
- Unexplained weight loss
- Depends on the person!

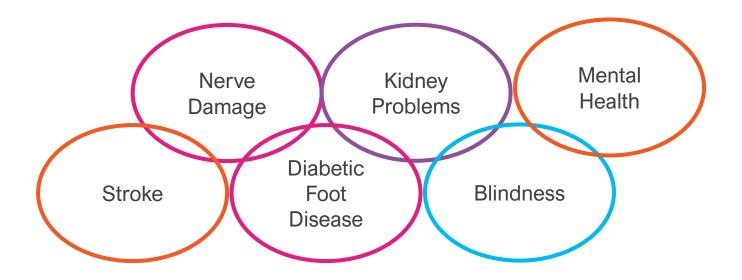




1 in 10 will have Diabetes by 2034

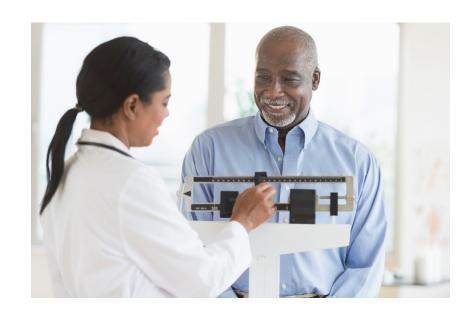
Birmingham CCGs: Almost 50% higher than average

# **Problems Caused By Diabetes**



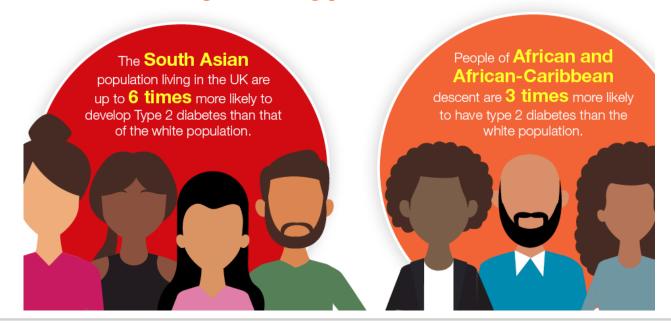
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- Large waist circumference
- Family History
- Age
- Deprivation
- Ethnicity- Higher rates in some BME groups.





# **Ethnicity and Type 2 diabetes risk**

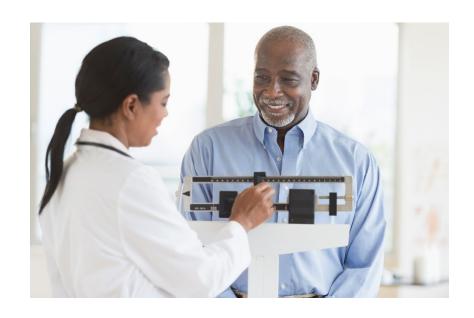






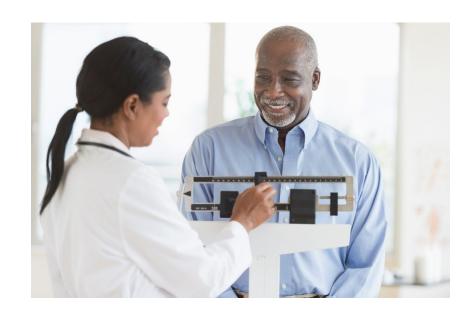
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Know your Risk: DIABETES UK



Healthy Weight

**Healthy Eating** 

Physical Activity

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**Healthy Weight** 

Aiming for BMI <25
Particular emphasis on 'central' weight gain – large waist circumference.

- Sugar-free drinks
- Plentiful fruit and veg
- Less Alcohol (<14 units)</li>

**Healthy Eating** 

- High fibre carbs
- Less red/processed meat
  - Less salt

- Healthy fats (olive oil, unsalted nuts, instead of butter/ghee.
- Healthier snacks- unsalted nuts, fruit, unsweetened yoghurt
  - Varied diet consisting of all different food groups.



At least 150 minutes a week

• E.g. 30 minutes of moderate activity for 5 days a week

Physical Activity

#### Community-wide intervention plus targeted interventions

#### Community

- Healthy food options
- Calorie Awareness
- Healthy eating information
- Access to sport
- Greener Spaces
- Cycle to workHealth Checks

#### **Targeted**

- GP Health Checks
- Screening (Hospitals, Midwives etc)
- NHS Diabetes Prevention Programme

#### **Pre-Diabetes**

- Higher than normal blood sugars
- Not 'full diabetes'
- Symptomless

Pre-diabetes: a chance to 'turn things around'



## **Healthier You: NHS Diabetes Prevention Programme**

- Joint PHE, NHS England and Diabetes UK Programme
  - Reduce Incidence of T2DM,
  - Reduce complications
  - Reduce health inequalities.
- People in 'pre-diabetic' categories can be referred for behavioural interventions.
- Aimed to reduce progression to Diabetes.



# So how can I help?

- Informing about diabetes
- Promoting Healthy Living
- Helping communities to access help

# **SUMMARY**



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## **Support and Information**

- Diabetes UK
- Diabetes Consultants and Specialist nurses.
- NHS Choices Website.
- GPs
- Health matters: preventing Type 2 Diabetes GOV.UK (www.gov.uk)











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