





Goals of Diabetes Lesson Plans

8-9 years

Highs and Lows of Diabetes

Goals of Diabetes Lesson Plans	Age Group: 8-9yrs
Topic: Hypo, Hyper, Exercise. (Delivered by Nurse/Dietitian)	
Title of session: Highs and Lows of Diabetes	Timing of session: Approx 35mins

Aim of session:

- Understanding what glucose numbers are out of target (high and low).
- How they might feel with BG numbers out of target.
- · How to treat a low BG.
- To explain how exercise might affect BG.

Learning Objectives:

- Can I identify high or low BG levels?
- · Can I recognise what happens to me with a low BG level?
- What is my own treatment for low BG?
- Can I explain why exercise is good for health?
- Do I know what exercise can do to BG level?

Assessment for Learning (AfL) activities built into session:

- Sharing experiences of having low BG.
- Learning about different hypo treatments identifying their own.
- Sharing physical activities they like to do.
- Identifying snacks suitable before exercise.

Evaluation activities to be built into session:

- Partner talk (peer assessment).
- Post it 1 new activity to try in the next few weeks.

Materials/resources needed:

- Picture cards/word cards with hypo symptoms.
- Drawing materials.
- Different hypo treatments.
- Picture of UK Gov infographic 5-18y 60 minute per day.
- 5 -10g snacks for exercise.
- Access to DigiBete Goals of Diabetes Videos (8-9 hypo, hyper, exercise).





Time	Session Content/ Taught Content	Resources Needed
1 min	Q : Who can describe how they feel if they are hypo? What BG number counts as a hypo?	Listen to responses.
10mins	Draw a picture of how you feel when you are low.	Drawing materials - share pictures and feedback as a group.
3 mins 2 mins	In pairs, come up with a plan of what should you do if you feel low? 1. Tell adult 2. Check BG/sensor reading (may need both) 3. Treat hypo 4. Recheck after 15 mins Share plans with rest of group and compare answers. Q: What do you use as hypo treatment and how much? Choose from this selection or do you use something different? Query any large/small amounts. Explain why different people use different amounts – weight, size, HCL pump.	Listen to responses. Selection of hypo tx – Lift glucose tablets, Dextrose Energy tablets, Lift juice, Lucozade, small tins of coke, glucose tablets, Glucogel, fruit pastilles, fruit juice carton, sweets.
2 mins	Q: How do you feel if you are high? Tired, thirsty, more toilet trips, grumpy, angry. Q: What glucose number do you call high? Will be different for different people. High BG levels may need extra insulin to correct. What glucose numbers are in range? TIR 4-10mmol/L if on a sensor, 4-7mmol/L pre meal if on BG checks. Q: Do you know what BG number you would test for ketones? Above 14mmol or lower if ill. Q: What number of ketones needs some extra insulin?	Listen to responses. Listen to responses - clarify right answers. Listen to responses - clarify right answers.
	More than 0.6mmol.	Listen to responses - clarify right answers.





Time	Session Content/ Taught Content	Resources Needed
1 min 3 mins	Q: Why is exercise and activity good for you? Is fun, lowers BG, healthy heart, good for weight, social, strong bones and muscles. Is an important part of diabetes treatment. Q: What activities do you do? (Including non-sports).	Listen to responses. Show infographic: Gov.uk 5-18y 60 minutes per day. Write answers on flip chart for activity ideas. Add others so a wide range of options.
3 mins	Q: What might exercise do to your BG? Q: What can you do to prevent hypos? Reduce insulin (parents role). Have a small snack without insulin.	Show examples of 5-10g exercise snacks: -small apple, Satsuma, box of raisins, fruit bag -Jaffa cake, pink wafer, party ring - rice cakes, skips/quavers - tube yogurt, small fromage frais
10 mins	Summary: Watch G of D DigiBete 8-9 hypo, hyper, exercise videos to summarise and revise tasks. Play hypo/hyperspace game.	Access to website with screen + projector/tablets/laptops.
1 min	Evaluation: On a post it note, pick out 1 new activity you would like to try in the next few weeks.	Flipchart with list of activities. Post it notes.