A Survey About Your Diabetes Care

The care of people with diabetes is an important concern of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Please take a few minutes to answer the following questions on the care you received for your diabetes. Your participation is voluntary and all of your answers will be kept confidential. If you have any questions about this survey, please call Alex Scott at 1-800-945-MEPS (6377).

NAME: ___________________________________

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DOB:  ________________ PID: _______________

RUID: ____________________________________

This survey should be completed by  

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Instructions: Answer every question by checking one box ☑ or filling in a number as indicated. If you are unsure about how to answer a question, please give the best answer you can.

A health professional could be a general doctor, a specialist doctor, a nurse practitioner, a physician assistant, a nurse, or anyone else you would see for health care.

1. Have you ever been told by a doctor or other health professional that you have diabetes or sugar diabetes? (CHECK ONE)
   Yes .......................................................... ☑ 1
   ➤ Please continue.
   No .......................................................... ☐ 2
   ➤ Thank you for your time. This survey is complete.

2. During 2008, how many times did a doctor, nurse, or other health professional check your blood for glycosylated hemoglobin or “hemoglobin A-one-C”? (A1C is a blood test that is primarily done to monitor the glucose level of diabetics. Please note that this is a blood test that has to be done in a lab, hospital, or doctor’s office; this is NOT a test that you can perform at home.)
   If you had this blood test, fill in NUMBER OF TIMES __________.
   Did not have A1C blood test ............ ☐ 96
   Don’t know ............................................ ☐ 98
   Never................................................... ☑ 00

3. Which of the following year(s) did a doctor or other health professional check your feet for any sores or irritations? [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]
   During 2009............................................ ☑ 1
   During 2008............................................ ☑ 2
   During 2007............................................ ☑ 3
   Before 2007 ............................................ ☑ 4
   Never.................................................... ☑ 00

4. Which of the following year(s) did you have an eye exam in which your pupils were dilated? This would have made you temporarily sensitive to bright light. [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]
   During 2009............................................ ☑ 1
   During 2008............................................ ☑ 2
   During 2007............................................ ☑ 3
   Before 2007 ............................................ ☑ 4
   Never.................................................... ☑ 00

5. Which of the following year(s) did you have your blood cholesterol checked? [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]
   During 2009............................................ ☑ 1
   During 2008............................................ ☑ 2
   During 2007............................................ ☑ 3
   Before 2007 ............................................ ☑ 4
   Never.................................................... ☑ 00
6. Which of the following year(s) did you get a flu vaccination (shot or nasal spray)? [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]
   - During 2009 ........................................... 1
   - During 2008 ........................................... 2
   - During 2007 ........................................... 3
   - Before 2007 ........................................ 4
   - Never .................................................. 0

7. Has your diabetes caused problems with your kidneys?
   - Yes ..................................................... 1
   - No ..................................................... 2

8. Has your diabetes caused problems with your eyes that needed to be treated by an ophthalmologist?
   - Yes ..................................................... 1
   - No ..................................................... 2

9. Is your diabetes being treated by modifying your diet?
   - Yes ..................................................... 1
   - No ..................................................... 2

10. Is your diabetes being treated by medications taken by mouth?
    - Yes .................................................... 1
    - No .................................................... 2

11. Is your diabetes being treated with insulin injections?
    - Yes .................................................... 1
    - No .................................................... 2

12. During the last 12 months, have you learned how to take care of your diabetes?
    - Yes .................................................... 1
    - No (skip Q 13) ...................................... 2

13. Which of the following methods have you used to learn to take care of your diabetes? [CHECK ALL THAT APPLY]
    - Talking to a doctor/health professional within your primary care practice .......... 1
    - Talking to a doctor/health professional not in your primary care practice .......... 2
    - Telephone call with a health professional........................................... 3
    - Reading about it on the Internet ..................................... 4
    - Taking a group class........................................ 5

14. How confident are you in taking care of your diabetes?
    - Not confident at all ................................ 1
    - Somewhat confident ............................... 2
    - Confident ........................................... 3
    - Very confident ...................................... 4
    - Don’t know/Refused .................................. 0

Thank you for taking the time to complete this important survey.
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Date completed __________________________________________________________________________ 

If this survey was not completed by the person named on the front page, who completed the survey?
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What is this person’s relationship to the person named on the front page?
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What is the reason the person named on the front page did not complete the survey himself/herself?
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