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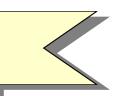
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Blood Glucose Meters

The Diabetes Centre tries to restrict its meter use to only 5 different meters. We are currently using Glucomen Visio, Medisense Xceed, Contour and Advantage meters. The following contacts are happy to provide meters and training direct to surgeries and district nurses. The companies also offer literature in several languages and other support for primary care.



Name	Telephone	Company	Meter
Sue Cameron	07887 654816	Menarini	Glucomen Visio
Vania Glyn	07899 065962	Medisense	Optium Xceed
Andy	07764 271699	Roche	Advantage
Diana Westall	07717 420386	Bayer	Contour

Diabetes UK Measure Up Campaign



This campaign will be launched on 12th
September. The aim of the campaign is to increase awareness of diabetes and motivate people to get tested. You should have received a mailing from Diabetes UK about about this. If you would like to order resources to go with

this campaign, you can order these through their web-site at: www.diabetes.org.uk/MeasureUp

Novo Nordisk Insulin Discontinuation

We have had notification that the following insulins are to be discontinued on 31st December 2007.

- Mixtard 10 Mixtard 20 Mixtard 40 Mixtard 50
- Pork Actrapid Pork Mixtard Pork Insulatard

Patients using these insulins will need to see one of the Diabetes Specialist Nurses (although Mixtard 50 can be directly switched to Insuman Comb 50). If you have any patients using these insulins, please refer them to Hackney diabetes centre, and we will find an alternative insulin for them.



Diabetes Specialist Nurse Advice

Don't forget, the Diabetes Specialist Nurses have a dedicated Mobile phone for advice. The number is 07768102130. We man the phone Mondays to Fridays 9am – 5pm referrals is **01243 784433**



Inhaled Insulin

Exubera, the only inhaled insulin is now available to prescibe. If you have patients who you think will be suitable for inhaled insulin, and fit the NICE criteria, please refer them to **Dr Peter Freedman**, at the Diabetes Centre. At present, no-one under secondary care has been prescribed inhaled insulin. Training on the inhaler device is available from Angela, the Pfizer representative. She can be contacted on: 07866 604504

Sharps Bin Collection



Just to remind everyone, Cliniserve provide the sharps bin collection service in City and Hackney. Their Fax number for

referrals is 01243 784433



Walk Leaders Training

3 members of staff at Hackney Diabetes Centre are now trained walk leaders. We aim to assist practices set up walking groups in their local area. Please contact Anna-Marie (5005), Ann (5011) or Vib (5008) to discuss. We also hope to be able to run the training in the near future, look out for more information in the next newletter.