

DIABETES and YOU

Tips for better understanding your diabetes

What You Can Learn From This Handout...

The different medications that your healthcare provider may prescribe to treat your diabetes and where these medications work in your body. Some of these medications are taken orally (by mouth), while others are given as an injection. Each product is labeled *oral* or *injectable*.

MEDICATIONS USED TO TREAT DIABETES

Sulfonylureas (oral)

Work in the **pancreas**

Available as Amaryl® (glimepiride);
DiaBeta®, Glynase® PresTab®, or
Micronase® (glyburide); Glucotrol®,
Glucotrol® XL (glipizide)

Combination products:

Avandaryl® (glimepiride and rosiglitazone)*;
duetact® (pioglitazone and glimepiride);
METAGLIP® (glipizide and metformin)

Alpha-glucosidase inhibitors (oral)

Work in the **intestines** and **liver**

Available as Glyset® (miglitol);
PRECOSE® (acarbose)

Amylin mimetics (injectable)

Work in the **intestines** and **liver**

Available as Symlin® (pramlintide)

GLP-1 receptor agonists (injectable)

Work in the **pancreas**, **liver**, and **intestines**

Available as Byetta® (regular exenatide);
BYDUREON™ (extended-release exenatide);
Victoza® (liraglutide)

Biguanides (oral)

Work in the **liver**

Available as Fortamet®, GLUCOPHAGE®,
GLUCOPHAGE® XR, Glumetza®,
Riomet® (metformin)

Combination products:

ACTOplus met®, ACTOplus met® XR
(pioglitazone and metformin);
Avandamet® (rosiglitazone and metformin)*;
Janumet®, Janumet XR®
(metformin and sitagliptin); Jentadueto™
(linagliptin and metformin);
Kombiglyze® XR (saxagliptin and metformin);
METAGLIP® (glipizide and metformin);
PrandiMet® (metformin and repaglinide)

DPP-4 inhibitors (oral)

Work in the **pancreas** and **liver**

Available as Januvia® (sitagliptin); Onglyza® (saxagliptin); Tradjenta™ (linagliptin)

Combination products:

Janumet®, Janumet XR® (metformin and sitagliptin); Jentadueto™ (linagliptin and metformin);
Juvivinc™ (sitagliptin and simvastatin); Kombiglyze® XR (saxagliptin and metformin)

Thiazolidinediones (oral)

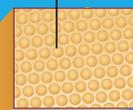
Work in the **muscles** and **body fat**

Available as ACTOS® (pioglitazone);
Avandia® (rosiglitazone)*

Combination products:

ACTOplus met®, ACTOplus met® XR
(pioglitazone and metformin);
Avandamet® (rosiglitazone and metformin)*;
Avandaryl® (rosiglitazone and glimepiride)*;
duetact® (pioglitazone and glimepiride)

Fat Tissue



Muscle

Liver

Pancreas

Intestines

Insulins (injectable)

Work in the **pancreas**, **liver**, and
bloodstream

Available as Apidra® (glulisine);
Humalog®, Humalog® Mix50/50™,
Humalog® Mix75/25™ (lispro); Humulin® N,
Humulin® R, Humulin® 70/30 (human);
Lantus® (glargine); Levemir® (detemir);
Novolin® N, Novolin® R,
Novolin® 70/30 (human); NovoLog®,
NovoLog® Mix 70/30 (aspart)

Meglitinides (oral)

Work in the **pancreas**

Available as Prandin® (repaglinide);
Starlix® (nateglinide)

Combination product:

PrandiMet® (metformin and repaglinide)

Compliments of your healthcare provider

*Distribution is restricted in the United States.