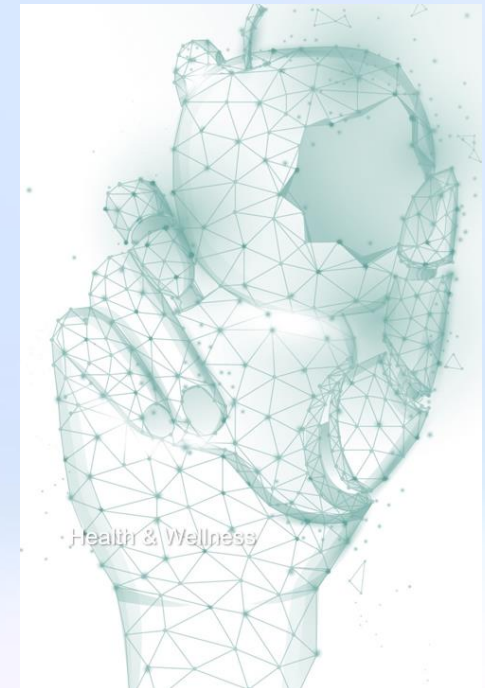


Addressing Insulin Resistance in Diverse Patient Groups

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Death From Heart Disease Is On The Rise... Especially in Young Adults

- Heart disease is #1 global cause of death in men and women
- Women: Fastest-growing heart disease death rate is in **middle-aged women 45-64**
- Millennials: Age **25 to 44** saw a nearly 30% increase in heart attack deaths over the first two years of the pandemic
- **Over 90%** of heart disease is due to modifiable risk factors (based on MESA study)



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Talk Overview

- Carb traffic diagram to explain insulin resistance
- Ethnic differences in risk and metabolism
- Using CGMs to personalize nutrition for diverse patients
- Key nutrition principles to address insulin resistance

Insulin Resistance: A Carbohydrate Parking Problem

Muscle Resistance

- Can't clear glucose (pass not accepted)
- Inactive (no demand)
- High carb intake (no parking)



- A1C, Fasting Glu, CGM

- Waist-to-height ratio
- Body weight/BMI



Fat storage in liver (fatty liver)



- Liver tests (AST, ALT)

CARBS
Consistent & Personalized
dietary advice

Fat released by liver into blood
(high triglycerides)

- Fasting lipid test

Fat Storage

- Weight gain
- Inflammation
- Worsening insulin resistance
- Fatigue

Risk Factors for Insulin Resistance

Increased Waist Circumference	Waist-to-height and waist-to-hip ratio
High triglycerides	≥ 150 mg/dL (aim for <100 mg/dL)
Low HDL	<40 mg/dL if male, <50 mg/dL if female
Elevated Blood Glucose	Fasting glucose > 100 mg/dL and/or A1C test $>5.6\%$
High Blood Pressure	$>130/85$
At Risk Conditions	Gout, fatty liver, PCOS, acanthosis nigricans, gestational diabetes
High Risk Ethnicities	South Asian, Hispanic/Latino, Filipino, Pacific Islander, Native Americans

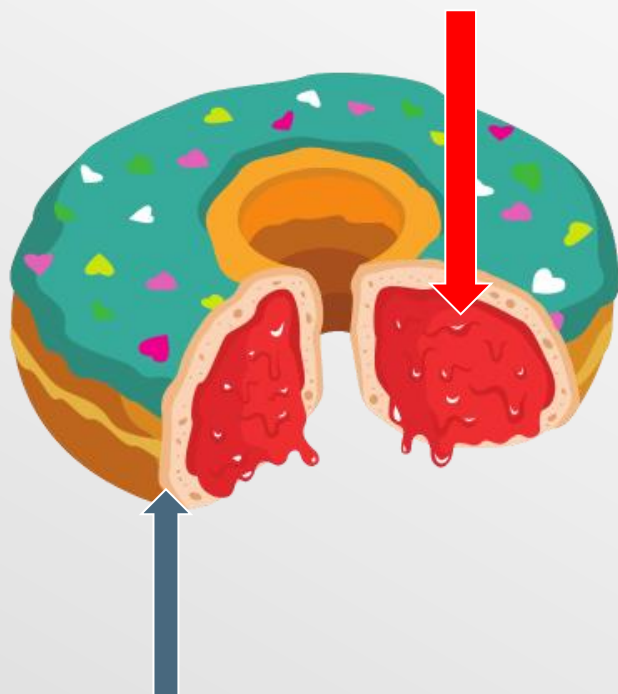


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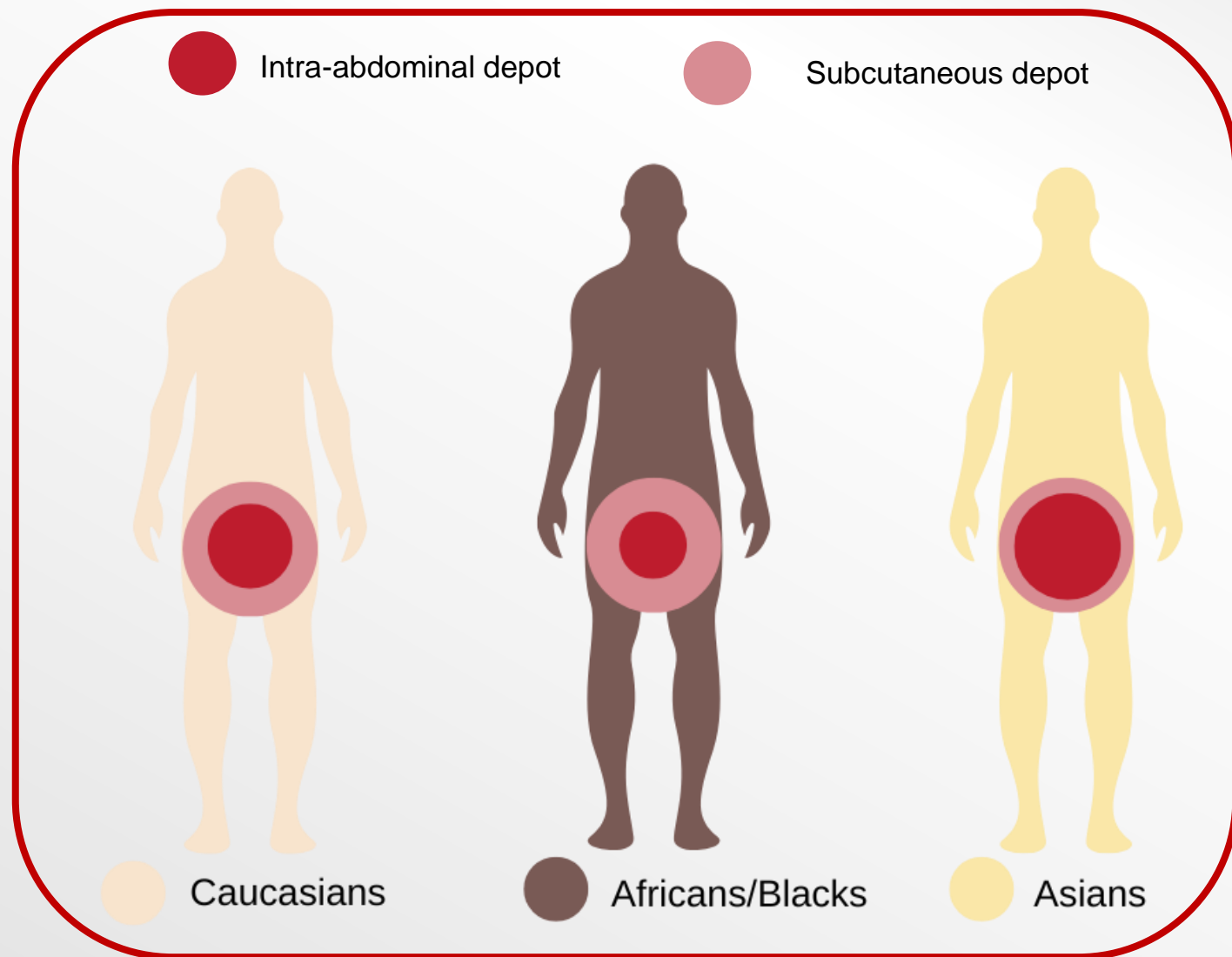
* CGM tracks well with most of these risks: blood glucose, waist circum, trigs, HDL

Visceral Fat and Ethnicity

Visceral “Inflammatory” Body Fat

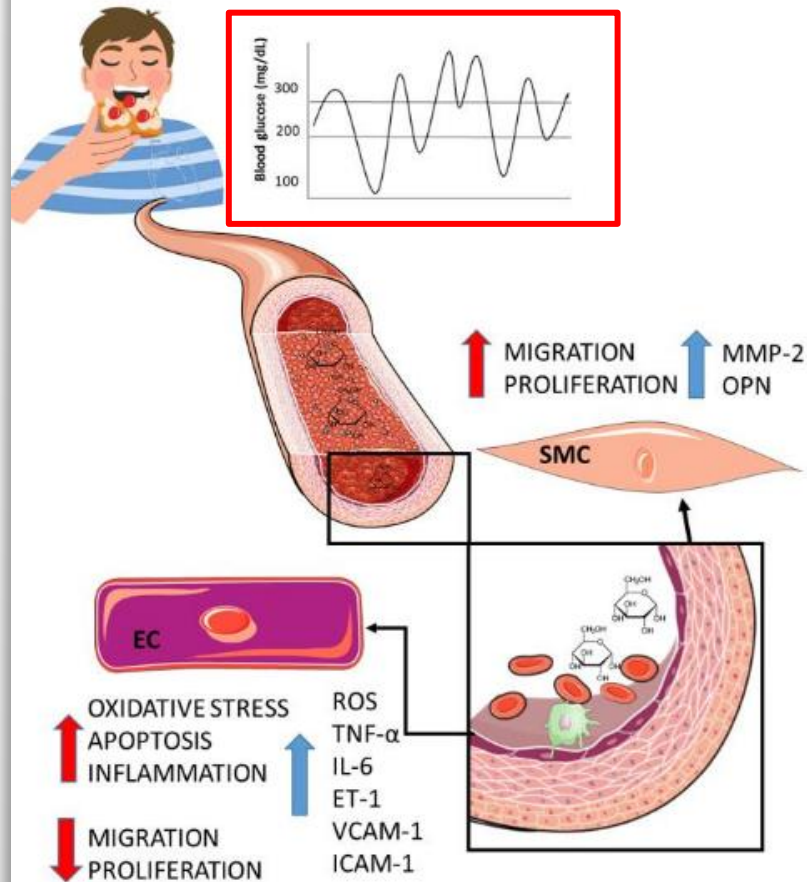


Subcutaneous Body Fat



Glucose Variability and Heart Disease

Biological Mechanisms

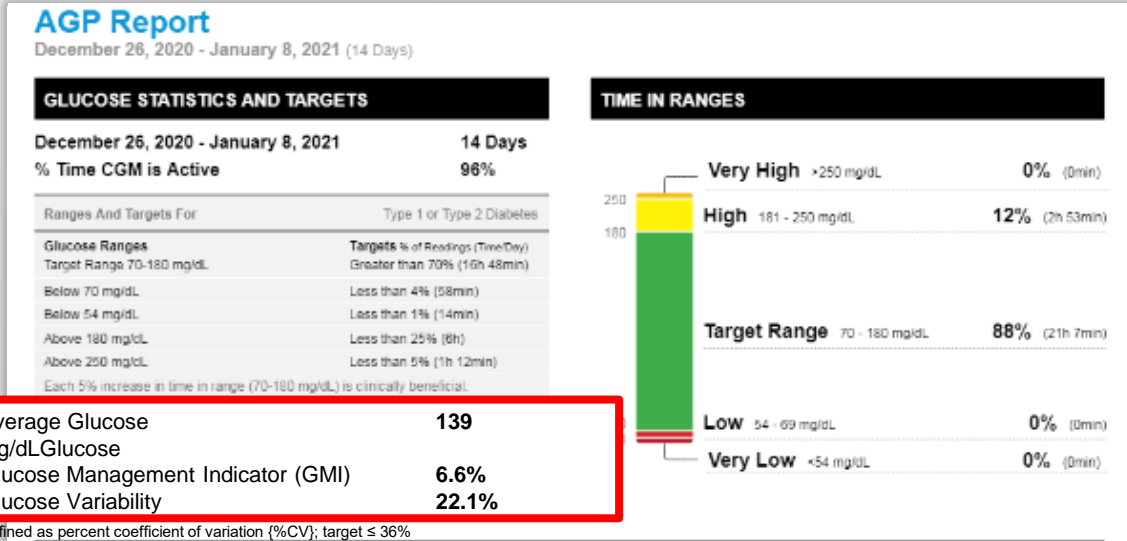


Clinical Consequences

- Heart, brain and blood vessel issues
- Abnormal heartbeat
- Heart attack
- Heart and kidney damage after coronary stenting
- Artery damage
- Poor short-term outcomes after CABG and TAVI
- Risk of coronary plaque
- Artery lesions
- Narrowing of the heart's aortic valve

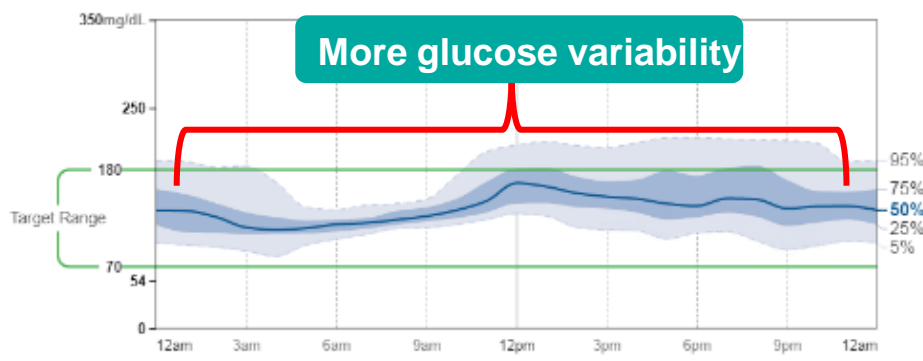
CGM Dashboard

Patient Data

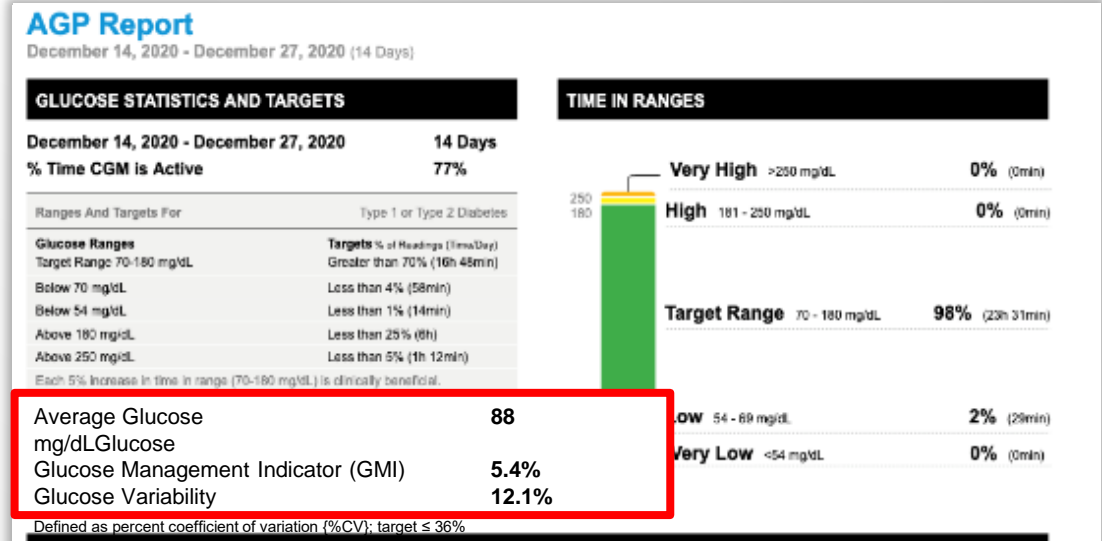


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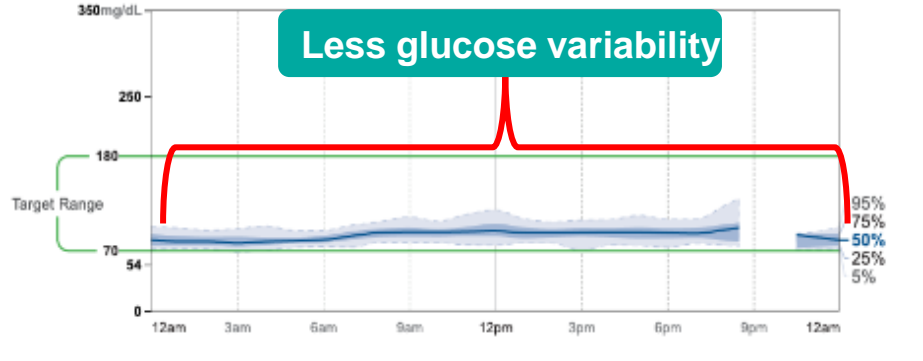


Optimal Metabolic Data



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Practical Tip: Focus on First Meal Satiety

- Increase first meal (aka breakfast) protein. Most individuals get <10-15 grams...aim for at least 30 grams
- More fiber with first meal
- Find the optimal dose that keeps you full for at least 3-4 hours.
- We consistently see more stable glucose patterns, reduced hunger, and improved energy in patients throughout the day with adequate first meal protein

Carb “Copycats”



Cauliflower Rice



Zucchini Pasta/Noodles



Spaghetti Squash



Shredded Cabbage



Miracle Noodles or Miracle Rice
(Shirataki Noodles)



Lettuce Taco Wraps

“CARBS” Approach to Nutrition



THE “CARBS” APPROACH FOR SOUTH ASIANS

The major fat-promoting CARBS:

- C** = **Chapatis:** Includes all Indian flatbreads, and breads in general, even those made from wheat
- A** = **Aloo:** Includes mainly potatoes and other starchy vegetables (peas, corn, winter squashes)
- R** = **Rice:** Includes rice and grains (barley, millet, semolina, sorghum, etc.)
- B** = **Beans:** Includes lentils, chickpeas, and kidney beans
- S** = **Sugar:** Includes syrup and assorted sweet-tasting foods and beverages

NC = TOTAL GRAMS CARB - TOTAL GRAMS FIBER

Bargain Foods (\$) = Low NC and maximal nutrients in return (vegetables, nuts, seeds, etc.)

Expensive Foods (\$\$\$) = High NC and little to no nutrients (white rice, noodles, flour, etc.)



Recommendations for Nutritional Noncompliance

- **Avoid dietary deprivation:** extreme fasting, very low carb/keto, 100% plant-based for someone who enjoys meat/fish, etc.
- **Small dietary tweaks** while monitoring glucose response lead to big changes over time
- **Food experiments** help individuals decide what to stock in their fridge and pantry
- Above is **not a diet**, but simple and sustainable modifications aligned to individual preferences



4 Nutrition-Glucose Lessons from Our Metabolic Program

1. Daily **carbohydrate tolerance** is highly variable among individuals.
2. The **glucose response** to individual foods is highly variable.
3. As metabolism improves, some **restricted** foods may become **acceptable** foods
4. Afternoon “**glucose dipping**” is a common phenomenon that drives overeating and mood instability.



CGM's Potential Role in Diverse Groups

Examining a Continuous Glucose Monitoring Plus Online Peer Support Community Intervention to Support Hispanic Adults With Type 2 Diabetes: Protocol for a Mixed Methods Feasibility Study

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Multimodal digital phenotyping of diet, physical activity, and glycemia in Hispanic/Latino adults with or at risk of type 2 diabetes

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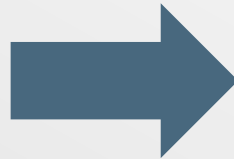
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Wearable glucose monitors shed light on progression of Type 2 diabetes in Hispanic/Latino adults

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Sushi Tolerance Test with a Glucose Sensor



Before

Time	Glucose
0 (baseline)	95 mg/DL
30 min	120 mg/dL
60 min	185 mg/dL
90 min	212 mg/dL

After

Time	Glucose
0 (baseline)	102 mg/DL
30 min	115 mg/dL
60 min	153 mg/dL
90 min	107 mg/dL

Glucose Dipping Affects Mood and Energy

32 minutes → 72 point glucose drop!



*Impact of high glycemic food
on a workaholic patient*



Matching Carb Intake to Activity Levels

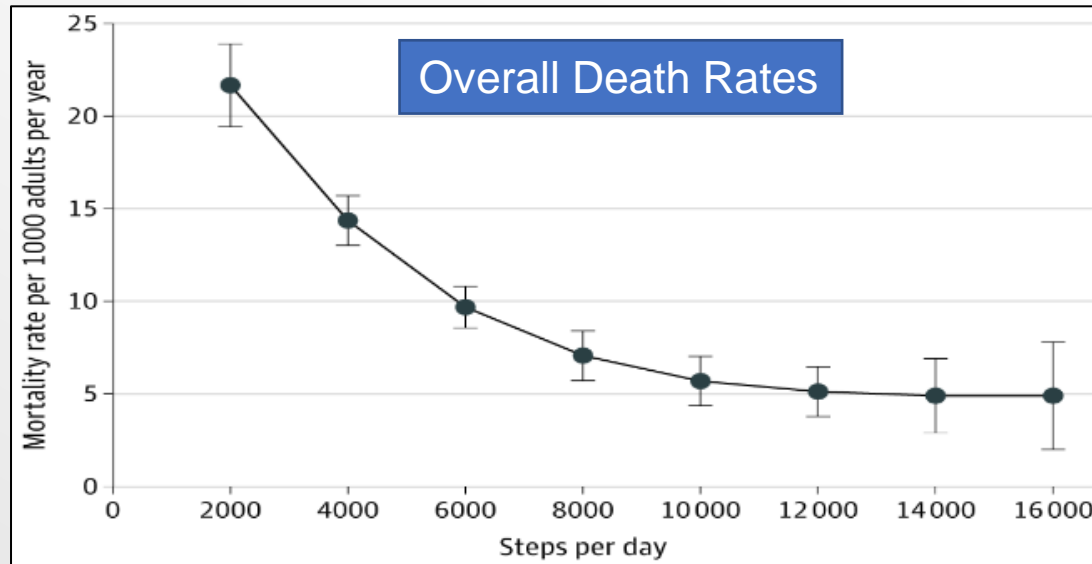


30,000+ steps daily
Strong leg and core
Normal Vitamin D
Higher Carb Ok

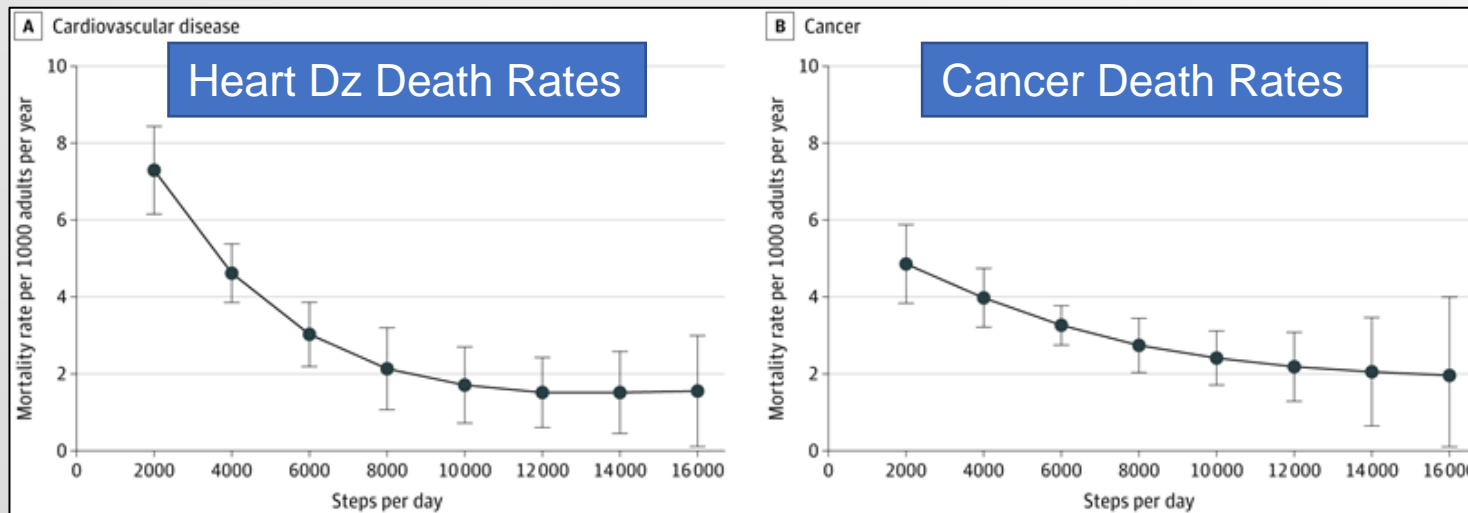


< 5,000 steps daily
Weak leg and core
Low Vitamin D
Higher Carb not OK

Daily Steps and Death Rates



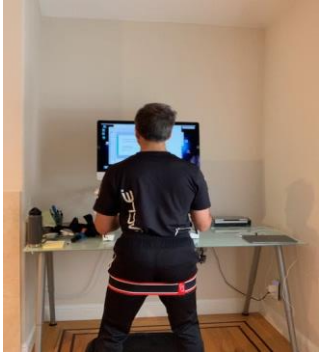
- 8-10,000 daily steps is sweet spot
- Abrupt increase in risk below 6,000



NEAT Can Burn Serious Calories

- **NEAT (Non Exercise Activity Thermogenesis)** varies among individuals and can account for a difference of up to **2000 kcal** burned per day
- “Obese individuals have an innate tendency to be seated for **2.5 hours more** than sedentary lean counterparts.”

Exercise Snacking: Stock, Visit, and “Snack” on Movement



EXERCISE PANTRY

1. **STOCK** your own pantry with a variety of movements and exercises
2. **VISIT** this pantry at least every 30-45 min
3. **SNACK** (on activity) for at least 5 min

Lifts, Squats and Carries (Compound Lifts)



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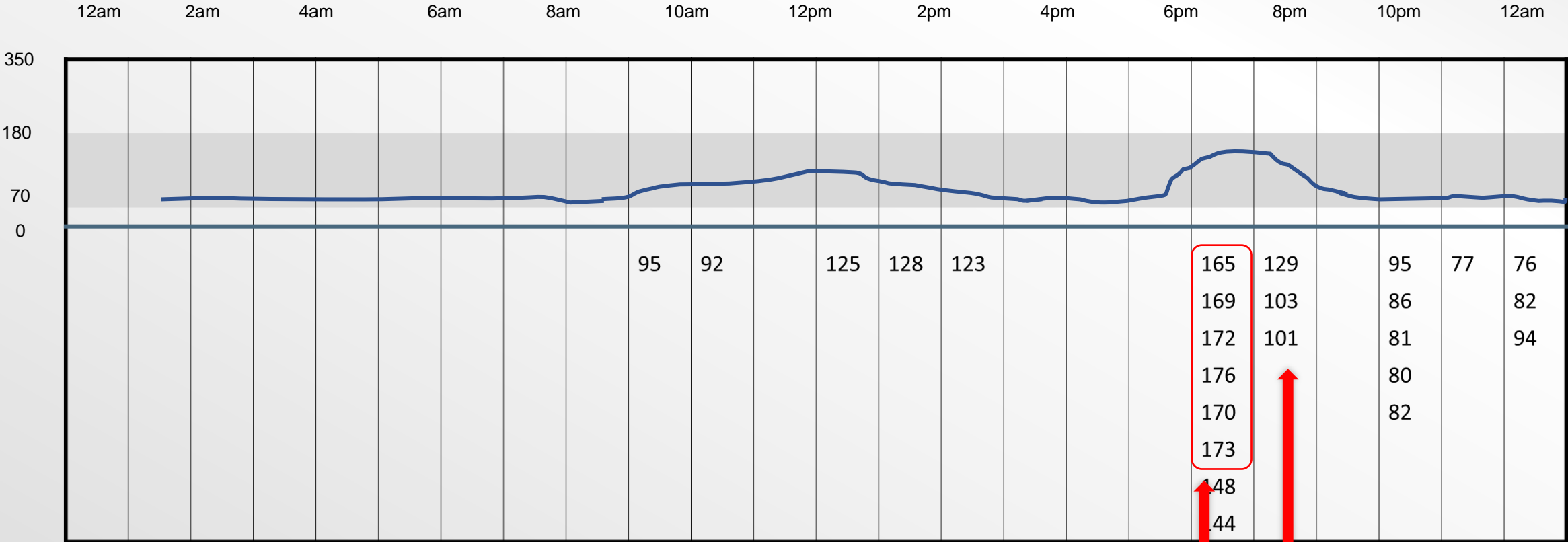


Dumbbell/Barbell Lifts

Sumo squat

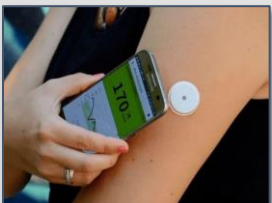
Weighted walks and carries

The Stress Effect: In-Laws vs Chocolate Cake



Metabolic Wellness Program (MWP)

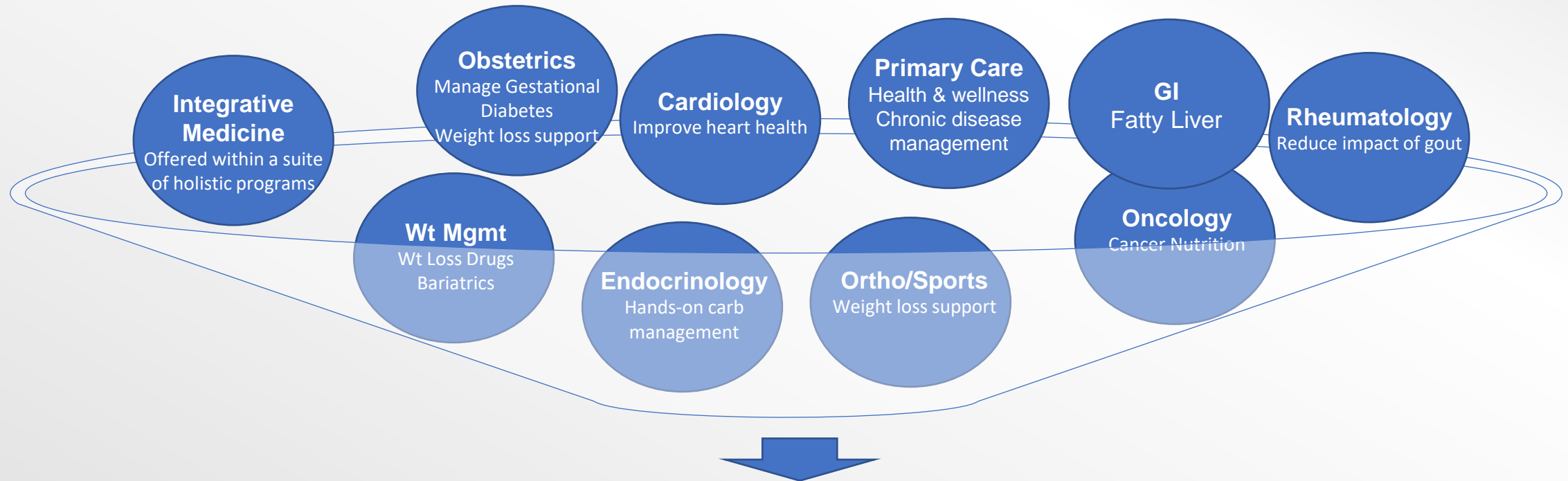
8 Week Virtual Health Education Program



You will apply the first CGM. You'll get a feel for how to use the app & take notes in the journal

Education and tools are provided to help interpret glucose data and tailor lifestyle changes to optimize blood sugar and overall health

Specialty Referrals



Referral Pool for the Metabolic Wellness Program

Analysis underway to estimate total referral base

Expanding the Nutritional Formulary

Prescriber's Principles

- Right med for right patient
- Right dose to achieve intended outcome
- Right dose to minimize side effects
- Right dose to encourage compliance
- Combination meds when necessary
- Adjust med dose as needed

*Need to apply similar principles when prescribing nutrition.

*Current guidelines provide a limited dietary formulary for individuals who are metabolically and culturally diverse

