

Diabetes Self-Management Discussion Questions

- 1. Have you ever been diagnosed with diabetes? What were the signs that you and/or your doctor saw?
- 2. What changes did to make in your life after your diagnosis? Did you modify your eating habits, smoking, exercise routine?
- 3. What specific life changes do you feel have had the greatest benefits for your diabetes control?
- 4. Where do you feel you have you learned the most about diabetes care? What good advice have you been given?
- 5. Do you read food labels in order to make better food choices? What information do you look for on the labels?
- 6. Do you think a diabetes self-management program could help you or someone you know? How, or why not?

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Helpful Resources:

Diabetes has no cure, but we can take steps to manage our diabetes and stay healthy.

https://www.niddk.nih.gov/health-information/diabetes/overview/managing-diabetes

The National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases Health Information Center <u>Phone: 1-800-860-8747</u> <u>TTY: 1-866-569-1162</u> <u>Email: healthinfo@niddk.nih.gov</u> Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. eastern time, M-F

Diabetes self-management programs as well as other evidence-based programs are offered across Pennsylvania in a collaborative effort between PA Department of Aging and your local Area Agency on Aging. To find your local Area Agency on Aging see <u>https://www.aging.pa.gov/local-resources/Pages/AAA.aspx</u>

Or Google: Pennsylvania Area Agency on Aging Locator

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Self-Management Education: Learn More. Feel Better. https://www.cdc.gov/learnmorefeelbetter/programs/diabetes.htm

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