



North Woods Endocrinology

Providing specialty care in Endocrinology, Diabetes, & Metabolism

Insulin Pump Back-Up Plan

If your pump is not working, call Medtronic/Tandem/OmniPod using phone number on back of pump. The representative may be able to help fix your pump & order a replacement pump to be sent to you. Until you get a new pump, use the following back-up plan.

1. Check blood glucose and correct using your fast-acting insulin (Humalog/Novolog/Apidra/Fiasp) and a syringe.
2. Take back-up long-acting insulin (Lantus/Levemir/Basaglar/Toujeo/Tresiba) _____ units every 24 hours. Write down the time: _____
3. Use syringe and fast-acting insulin (Humalog/Novolog/Apidra/Fiasp) to give meal-time bolus using carbohydrate ratio 1: _____ and correction/sensitivity factor 1: _____ for BG over _____. You may wish to download an insulin dosing app on your smartphone.
4. Check your blood sugar levels more frequently.
5. When you have a replacement pump, you can choose to set it up at the same time you gave your long-acting insulin (see step #2). Or, set up your pump as soon as you get it. Use a temporary basal rate of 0% to last until the time noted in step #2.
6. Use your previous insulin pump settings to set up your new pump. You can refer to your last insulin pump download report or call our office for these settings.