



A Family Affected by a Child with Type I Diabetes

Researchers, from Palo Alto University, are conducting a study to learn about the impact of various forms of support on quality of life for parents and siblings of children and adolescents with diabetes; as well as, the psychosocial effect felt by the siblings. The investigators are Wendy Packman, JD, PhD, Breanna Gentile, M.A., & Heather E. Preston, B.A.

Goals:

1. Learn about the availability of support for parents of children with Type I Diabetes and which sources of support parents find most useful.
2. Learn about the behavioral and psychosocial functioning of siblings of diabetic children and adolescents and the perceived availability of parents.
3. Develop recommendations to improve the quality of life for families affected by diabetes.

Who can participate?

Children, ages 6-17 years, whose sibling has been diagnosed with Type I Diabetes. For households with more than 1 sibling, the sibling that is closest in age to the child with Type I Diabetes should participate in the study
Parents or caregivers with a child who has been diagnosed with Type I Diabetes.

What to expect:

1. If you choose to participate, you and your child will be asked to complete a series of questionnaires (8 for parents; 6 for siblings).
2. Your child will be asked to complete questionnaires that evaluate quality of life, behavioral and emotional functioning, reactivity, and perceived emotional availability of their parents.
3. You will be asked to complete questionnaires about the impact of your child's diabetes on your family functioning, your own stress response to your child's illness, and your perceived social support.
4. Participation in this study will take a total of 1 hour for your child, and 90 minutes for parents/caregivers.
5. Upon completion of the study, your family will have the opportunity to participate in a raffle to win one \$50 Visa giftcard. Also, for each study participant, \$1 will be donated to the International Society for Pediatric and Adolescent Diabetes (www.ispad.org).

If you are interested in participating in this study please send an email to:

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