



**Wolverhampton
Diabetes Care**

What Care to Expect

What care to expect in hospital.

As well as having a full care package for the problem that results in hospital admission, patients should also expect effective management of their diabetes.

Such care includes:

That the team looking after them will be well informed of care needs of their diabetes and will be competent to look after it or be able to call upon the diabetes specialist team if help is needed.

That their diabetes treatments and meals will be given in a timely fashion to allow good management of diabetes.

That they will be able to continue to self care as much as possible including the continuation of self injection of insulin and self blood glucose monitoring, and the self management of hypoglycemia.

That their diabetes control will be monitored.

That they will be informed of any problems with their diabetes.

That they will be informed of any changes to their diabetes treatment, even if they are temporary because of the current illness, together with an explanation given as to why this was required.

That they will be able to see the diabetes specialist team if needed.

That any diabetes emergencies will be managed according to the standard agreed treatment protocols.

That the management of their diabetes during investigations, surgery or severe illness will be according to standard protocols.

That they will receive support after discharge as required, especially if the diabetes has been unstable or if new treatments have been instigated with such support provided by named staff of the specialist diabetes service together with their contact details