CHECKLIST for a person with Type 2 diabetes **InfoDiabetes** Service **Diabetes Québec** 514 259-3422 · 1 800 361-3504 infodiabete@diabete.qc.ca 20 HYPERGLYCEMIA A diet high in 18 carbohydrates A mistake in the 16 antihyperglycemic medication Physical stress : illness, 14 infection Psychological stress 12 10 Target blood glucose values for most people with diabetes 8 2 hours after meals : between 5 and 10 mmol/L 6 **Before meals:** between 4 and 7 mmol/L HYPOGLYCEMI Certain antihyperglycemic medications A diet low in carbohydrates Physical activity 2 mmol/l Drinking alcohol without food Psychological stress

Be proactive!

- Try to identify the cause of the hyperglycemia or hypoglycemia.
- Take the necessary measures to avoid a reoccurrence.
- Consult a health professional, if necessary.

Hypoglycemia

(less than 4 mmol/L)



Take immediate action

1. Take 15 g of rapidly absorbed carbohydrates (choose one):

- 4 Dex4[®] tablets
- 4 sugar packets dissolved in water
- 150 ml (2/3 cup) of a fruit drink
- 150 ml (2/3 cup) of a regular soft drink
- 15 ml (1 tablespoon) of honey **or** maple syrup
- 2. Wait 15 minutes, at rest

3. Measure your blood glucose

- A. If the reading is less than 4 mmol/L : Treat yourself again following steps 1 to 3
- B. If the reading is 4 mmol/L or higher : If the next planned meal or snack is **more than an hour away**, have a snack containing 15 g of carbohydrates and some protein. Ex.: 1 slice of bread with 30 g (1 oz.) of cheese.

Hyperglycemia



What should you do?

Drink lots of water to prevent dehydration.

If your blood glucose is above 25 mmol/L and you feel excessively drowsy, consult a doctor immediately.