



A TRUEinsight™ Guide



# Take Charge of Your Life With QuickChek™

Better Understand Your Blood Glucose Results

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# How to use your QuickChek™ Record Book

## Monitor • Track • Manage

Blood glucose monitoring only has value if the results are understood and necessary action is taken. Nipro Diagnostics, Inc. brings you a simple, easy-to-use tool that will allow you to monitor your blood glucose, track results, identify trends and use this information to better manage and achieve your blood glucose goals. This tool uses the “traffic light system” to help you understand your blood glucose results and easily decide when you need to discuss possible treatment changes with your healthcare professional.

To get started, schedule a visit with your diabetes healthcare professional to discuss and agree on your goals for managing your diabetes. Knowledge is power, and your diabetes healthcare professional can help you learn about your diabetes and the choices you can make to stay healthy.

### Step 1 – Monitor

Agree with your healthcare professional on your blood glucose targets (example below).

	LOW	NORMAL	ABOVE NORMAL	HIGH
BEFORE MEAL mg/dL	below 70	70 <sub>to</sub> 130	130 <sub>to</sub> 240	above 240
AFTER MEAL mg/dL	below 70	70 <sub>to</sub> 180	180 <sub>to</sub> 240	above 240

Agree with your healthcare professional on your test schedule (example below).

Day of Week	Example of Testing Schedule	My Testing Schedule
Sunday	Before breakfast and dinner	
Monday	Before breakfast; two hours after lunch	
Tuesday	Before breakfast; two hours after lunch	
Wednesday	Before breakfast; two hours after lunch	
Thursday	Before breakfast; two hours after lunch	
Friday	Before breakfast; two hours after lunch	
Saturday	Before breakfast, lunch and dinner	



Bill has just had his 61st birthday and lives with his wife Pat, to whom he has been married for over 35 years. Bill was diagnosed with type 2 diabetes ten years ago.



### Lifestyle

Bill has an active lifestyle working full time for local government in the planning department and is actively involved at the local tennis club.

### Medications

On metformin and sulphonylurea, and doesn't like injections.

### Blood Glucose Targets

Bill aims to test twice a day, and these are the blood glucose targets he has identified with his healthcare professional.

### Results

- » Nearing maximum oral therapy
- » HbA1c 7.4%
- » BMI 25
- » Full lipid profile is normal
- » Normotensive

	LOW	NORMAL	ABOVE NORMAL	HIGH
BEFORE MEAL mg/dL	below 70	70 to 130	130 to 240	above 240
AFTER MEAL mg/dL	below 70	70 to 180	180 to 240	above 240

## QuickChek™ Record Book

Bill records all his results in his QuickChek™ Record Book, and the last four weeks' results reveal frequently elevated glucose levels in the afternoon. These results were used by Bill's diabetes professional at a recent appointment to discuss what could be the cause.

Month:		Reasons: A = Alcohol E = Exercise F = Food												I = Illness O = Other S = Stress T = Treatment changes ? = Not Sure													
BEFORE MEAL	AFTER MEAL	BREAKFAST				REASON	BEFORE MEAL	AFTER MEAL	MIDDAY MEAL				REASON	BEFORE MEAL	AFTER MEAL	EVENING MEAL				REASON	BEFORE MEAL	AFTER MEAL	BEDTIME				REASON
		LOW	NORMAL	ABOVE NORMAL	HIGH				LOW	NORMAL	ABOVE NORMAL	HIGH				LOW	NORMAL	ABOVE NORMAL	HIGH				LOW	NORMAL	ABOVE NORMAL	HIGH	
MON	✓		88				✓		106				✓			160				✓			110				MON
TUE	✓						✓						✓				166			✓				117			TUE
WED	✓		95				✓			202			✓							✓							WED
THU	✓						✓						✓				146			✓							THU
FRI	✓		90				✓		101				✓							✓							FRI
SAT	✓						✓						✓							✓							SAT
SUN	✓		110				✓						✓							✓							SUN
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WED	✓						✓			166			✓							✓							WED
THU	✓		117				✓						✓				176			✓							THU
FRI	✓						✓		58			E	✓							✓							FRI
SAT	✓		92				✓						✓				157			✓							SAT
SUN	✓						✓			137			✓							✓							SUN
MON	✓		110				✓						✓				106			✓							MON
TUE	✓						✓			160			✓							✓							TUE
WED	✓		117				✓						✓				202			✓							WED
THU	✓						✓			166			✓							✓							THU
FRI	✓		124				✓						✓				101			✓							FRI
SAT	✓						✓			146			✓							✓							SAT
SUN	✓		115				✓						✓				110			✓							SUN
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WED	✓						✓						✓							✓							WED
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MONTHLY TOTALS		0	14	0	0		MONTHLY TOTALS		1	4	7	2		MONTHLY TOTALS		1	4	7	2		MONTHLY TOTALS		0	14	0	0	

MONTHLY TOTALS: ADD UP THE TOTAL NUMBER OF TESTS IN EACH COLUMN AND THEN REFER TO THE MANAGEMENT SECTION ON THE INSIDE COVER

## Medical Appointment Review

The "traffic light" colors used in the QuickChek™ Record Book make it fast and easy for Bill and his diabetes professional to see patterns in his blood glucose results. Since Bill is already on a maximum dosage of diabetes pills, his healthcare professional may discuss the possibility of using insulin injections to help him achieve his target goals. Bill and his diabetes professional review his QuickChek™ Record Book, and note that many of his results around lunch and dinner are in the "above normal" and "high" ranges. They use this information to determine what changes need to be made to Bill's treatment plan to get his blood glucose levels in better control.

Sara has had diabetes for seven years after being diagnosed at 17 years old. Sara has just finished college and secured her first teaching position at an area middle school.



## Lifestyle

Sara enjoys her single lifestyle with a broad group of friends and family, but quickly noticed that teaching regular hours and a sedentary working day has meant she is less active.

## Medications

Insulin injections  
Oral contraceptive

## Blood Glucose Targets

Sara tests three to four times a day with the aim of achieving results within the normal range agreed upon with her doctor.

## Results

- » HbA1c 9.1%
- » BMI 21
- » Full lipid profile is normal
- » Normotensive

	LOW	NORMAL	ABOVE NORMAL	HIGH
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