HYPOGLYCAEMIA 'HYPO' ACTION PLAN – type 1 diabetes

Emergency contact details	My contact details
Ambulance: 000	U.R. No:
Hospital: Ph:	Surname:
Doctor: Ph:	Given Name:
Diabetes Educator: Ph:	DOB:
Family / Carer: Ph:	Sex/Gender:
24hr Healthdirect - Ph: 1800 022 222	
My low blood glucose (BG) definition A higher BG may be recommended in the aged, for impaired hypoglycaemia awareness or due to other medical conditions.	Treat if BG less than mmol/L even when there are no symptoms. Ensure BG is above 5.0mmol/L before driving.
My 'Hypo' treatment	At home:
Step 1. Easily absorbed carbohydrate Hypo treatment may be weight dependent in children and young persons. If using an insulin pump and BG between 2.0-3.9mmol/L, do not disconnect the pump. Treatment examples include 4-5 large glucose jellybeans or	Out / car:
a ½ can (150 mL) of regular, not 'diet', soft drink.	
Step 2. Check BG If I repeat step 1 three times and I am still low, I need to seek medical advice immediately.	Monitor BG in 10-15 minutes. If BG still below target, repeat step 1.
Step 3. Longer acting carbohydrate If using an insulin pump, extra carbohydrate may not be required. If your next meal is more than 15-20 minutes away, treatment examples include 1 piece of fruit or 1 glass (250 mL) of milk.	Once BG is above mmol/L. At home: Out / car:
Step 4. Monitor risk of repeat 'hypo'	Monitor BGhourly for hours.
Causes of recurrent 'hypos' include excessive or ongoing action of insulin, missed meal, if fasting or unwell, during and after intense physical activity, excessive alcohol use.	
Other issues to consider If unconscious or unable to swallow – I must not be given anything by mouth. My airway must be clear and I am to be positioned on my left side on the floor. An ambulance must be called immediately. If using an insulin pump and BG less than 2.0mmol/L, or unconscious or confused, disconnect the insulin pump tubing from the infusion set immediately.	Glucagon trained person: Medic alert: Notification of driver licensing authority: NDSS Diabetes & Driving booklet given: Workplace: Employment and machinery:
When to contact doctor or credentialled diabetes educator	If I have had severe hypoglycaemia (e.g. I needed help from someone). If I have mild hypos in a week.
Date: / /	CDE / DE Name:Signature:
Date://	Person / Carer:Signature:

