Continuous Glucose Monitors (CGMs)

CGM Options:

- 1. Freestyle Libre 2 (Note: old version is Freestyle Libre 14-day)
- 2. Dexcom G6



Major Differences Between CGMs:

	Libre	Dexcom
Application Site	Back of upper arm	Abdomen
Duration of Use	Change sensor every 14 days	Change sensor every 10 days and transmitter every 3 months
Warm-Up Time	1 hour	2 hours
Checking BG	Physically scan sensor	Automatically transmitted via Bluetooth
Display Device	Meter or phone app	Meter or phone app but works best with phone app

General Criteria for Obtaining a CGM:

- 1. Documented diagnosis of diabetes
- 2. Patient using at least 4 injections per day
- 3. Patient checking BG at least 4 times per day

DISCLAIMER: Medicare has become very lenient with their criteria for covering a CGM in the face of the COVID-19 pandemic. If you have a patient with Medicare who wants a CGM, submit an order regardless of if they meet the criteria above.

How to Order:

- 1. **Option 1:** Send prescriptions to patient's local pharmacy
 - A. Potential issues: For some patients, a CGM is covered under medical versus pharmacy insurance benefits. Pharmacies generally cannot bill medical benefits.
- 2. Option 2: Send prescriptions to Medical Services Companies
 - A. The HUGE benefit of this company is that they can bill both medical AND pharmacy insurance.
 - B. Must fax demographic sheet and most recent chart note to: 513-729-7162 re: Rob Swarts
 - C. Must search for and select them as the pharmacy to e-prescribe CGM:



What to Order:

Libre	Dexcom
Reader (quantity 1)	Receiver (quantity 1)
Sensors (7 units per 3 months)	Transmitter (1 unit per 3 months)
	Sensors (3 packs per 3 months)*