

Important information for patients using **Levemir®** insulin (insulin detemir)

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Action Required

Levemir® (insulin detemir) is being discontinued by the manufacturer

If you currently use **Levemir®**, it is important that you contact the healthcare team responsible for prescribing and managing your insulin so they can review your treatment and arrange an appropriate alternative insulin.



WHY IS THIS HAPPENING?

- The manufacturer has decided to discontinue **Levemir®** insulin.
- This is not because of a safety concern with your treatment.
- Alternative insulin products are available and your healthcare team will discuss the most suitable option for you.



DO NOT STOP TAKING YOUR INSULIN

- **Continue taking Levemir®** exactly as prescribed unless a healthcare professional advises otherwise.
- Stopping insulin suddenly can result in high blood glucose levels, feeling unwell and potentially serious health complications.
- Your specialist team will advise you on any changes to your treatment.



HAVE YOU BEEN CONTACTED?

- Your hospital diabetes team, specialist diabetes service, or other healthcare professional responsible for prescribing your **Levemir®** insulin may have tried to contact you by:



Telephone



Text message



Email



Letter

Please do not ignore these communications.

What should I do now?

If you have received a letter, text, phone call or email. Please respond as soon as possible.

If you are **under a** specialist diabetic service (hospital or community based) then contact them.

If you are solely under the care of the GP then contact them.

If you are unsure who to contact. Please speak to your diabetes specialist team or hospital clinic.



In most cases, **Levemir®** insulin was started and is managed by a specialist diabetes service. Your GP practice may not be able to make changes to your insulin treatment without advice from the specialist team responsible for your care. Contacting your specialist prescribing team directly will help ensure your treatment can be reviewed as quickly as possible.



Contacting the right team directly will help ensure your treatment can be reviewed as quickly as possible.