

Make a Plan & Write It Down

— My Type 1 Diabetes (T1D) Action Plan

"When Miles was diagnosed, the

T1D community showed up for us in such a big way. Now I just want to send that love right back."



will live with for the rest of his life. As a caregiver to her son, Chrissy went into momoverdrive, working around the clock to figure out everything she could about the disease and how to manage it.

life-threatening complications of T1D that seemed to

One minute, Miles was a happy, carefree little boy; the next minute, he was diagnosed with a disease that he

come from nowhere.

If they had known about Miles' risk for T1D sooner which is possible through T1D screening – they may have had more time to learn, plan, and prepare. That's why making a T1D action plan is so important.

"It's been a long road to get ourselves to where we are today – and to be honest we're still navigating Miles'

T1D day-by-day. I'm not going to lie; it can be pretty

If there's one thing I want to pass along, it's this: don't

With T1D, the first big step is talking to your doctor

about getting yourself and your family screened. It can give you real, important information that can make a big

So, here's my advice: make a plan. Like, literally write it down. When you put it down on paper, you're way more likely to actually do it. It makes it real. Trust me, having a plan makes everything feel a little less scary and a lot

wait to take care of yourself and your family.

overwhelming.

difference.

more doable.

You got this." - Chrissy Teigen

The sooner you screen for T1D, the sooner you know if you or your loved ones are at risk, and the more prepared you'll be for the road ahead.

Screening is as easy as a blood draw or a tiny finger prick to screen for T1D-related autoantibodies that can indicate whether you – or your loved ones – are in the early stages of T1D, or at a higher risk for developing it.

Chrissy will be the first to tell you: it's better to know

than not know. Who should screen?

In short? Everyone. Anyone can develop autoimmune

choices. Because T1D is an autoimmune disease, it's

T1D, no matter their age, family history, or lifestyle

not preventable by diet or exercise.

What is screening? Is it a big deal?

What are the benefits?

Autoantibody screening is a blood test that shows whether you have T1D-related autoantibodies. Screening is often low or even no cost depending on insurance. To be clear – this is not an A1C test, or a blood sugar

level test, this is a blood test that looks for particular autoantibodies that can signal whether you may be at

risk of or already in one of the early stages of T1D.

The good news is that these autoantibodies can be detected early through T1D screening, offering the opportunity to proactively make a plan with your care

team early too.

Get your results,

then make a plan.

Here's what the T1D autoantibody test could find—and expert recommended actions you

can take depending on the results. 0 autoantibodies: No evidence of autoimmune i 1D at this time THE PLAN: Talk to a doctor about repeat

1 autoantibody: You may have a higher

2 or more autoantibodies detected:

Indicates you may be in early stage T1D.

THE PLAN: Discuss ongoing monitoring and rescreening with your doctor, and ensure you've screened for all T1D-related autoantibodies.

other T1D risk factors.

chance of developing T1D

screening, especially if there's a family history or

THE PLAN: Work with your doctor to get your blood sugar levels checked as soon as possible and to explore monitoring and management options.

Let's make a plan, right here, right now.

Making a plan around T1D can seem

overwhelming, so let's break it down into a

few simple to-dos. Prioritizing your health and the health of your loved ones - is one of

the greatest acts of self care there is.

Call your doctor and ask about autoantibody

By signing up to receive a free test kit to be taken at home or at a local lab through TRIALNET

Through AUTOIMMUNITY SCREENING FOR KIDS (ASK) which offers free testing for all U.S.

→ Talk to your doctor about your T1D

screening and/or monitoring as

as recommended by your doctor

recommended by your doctor

> Set up calendar reminders for additional

→ Make an appointment to get screened:

Contact any family members or loved ones who may be at risk and talk to them about T1D screening. If just one family member has T1D, the risk for other family members increases up to 15x. → Take a moment to recognize yourself – for being proactive with your health and for

making a plan to keep yourself and your loved

> Make appointments for additional blood tests

but I really wish we had. That's why I'm urging everyone I know to make a plan right now. Talk to your

doctor, get screened, and learn

about risk factors and symptoms.

something you could detect early,

"We had no idea T1D was

My Screening Plan

(myself/my children/my family and friends)

(pick a date)

I plan to call my doctor on to discuss T1D screening for Congratulations, you just took an important first step!

Make a plan to talk to your doctor about T1D screening today.

* Through your doctor who can help schedule testing at a local lab or using an in-office kit * By visiting SCREENING CENTRAL and selecting from options there, including visiting a local lab, having a kit mailed to you, or scheduling an athome blood draw

screening for T1D

children

screening results

ones healthy These may not be all of the screening options available. Inclusion on this list does not imply the endorsement of Sanofi

- Chrissy Teigen

Don't wait!"

When you write it down, you're more likely to commit to it.

Learn more at screenfortype1.com

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