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## Sliding Scale Insulin

1. Chemstick all diabetic patients prior to procedure.

2. If patient is NPO:

If glucose:

**less than 59 mg/dL**

**60 – 149 mg/dL**

**150 – 199 mg/dL**

**200 – 249 mg/dL**

**250 – 299 mg/dL**

**300 – 349 mg/dL**

**350 – 399 mg/dL**

**above 400 Call MD**

Then administer:

D50W 12.5 g if Nothing by Mouth.  
Notify MD, rechecking chemstick in 30 minutes.

0 units regular human insulin subcutaneously

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2 units regular human insulin subcutaneously

4 units regular human insulin subcutaneously

6 units regular human insulin subcutaneously

8 units regular human insulin subcutaneously

3. If patient is eating:

If glucose:

**less than 59 mg/dL**

**60 – 149 mg/dL**

**150 – 199 mg/dL**

**200 – 249 mg/dL**

**250 – 299 mg/dL**

**300 – 349 mg/dL**

**350 – 399 mg/dL**

**above 400 Call MD**

Then administer:

PO juice or D50W 12.5 g if Nothing by Mouth.  
Notify MD, rechecking chemstick in 30 minutes.

0 units regular human insulin subcutaneously

3 units regular human insulin subcutaneously

5 units regular human insulin subcutaneously

7 units regular human insulin subcutaneously

9 units regular human insulin subcutaneously

11 units regular human insulin subcutaneously

4. If chemstick is greater than 250 mg/dL or given insulin, repeat chemstick every hour.

Or if patient should become asymptomatic.

5. Outpatient: Resume patient on home doses of insulin as soon as possible.  
Inpatient: Resume orders per primary service.