TYPE 2 DIABETES

LEARN MORE ABOUT TYPE 2 DIABETES TO TAKE ACTION FOR YOUR HEALTH



TYPE 2 DIABETES BASICS

- Type 2 diabetes develops
 when there is a problem with
 the way the body uses sugar,
 leading to too much sugar in
 the blood stream
- Excess blood sugar can lead to issues in the body's circulatory, nervous and immune systems

KEY SYMPTOMS

- Increased thirst and hunger
- Frequent urination
- Unintended weight loss
- Fatigue
- Blurred vision
- Slow-healing sores
- Numbness or tingling in the hands or feet



KEY RISK FACTORS

- Limited physical activity, exercise helps to control weight and use up sugar as energy
- Family history, an individual's risk increases if a parent or sibling has type 2 diabetes
- Older age, especially after 35
- **Prediabetes diagnosis** with elevated blood sugar levels

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

- Aim for 150 minutes of moderate aerobic exercises each week like walking or bicycling
- Build a healthy diet full of fruits and vegetables, whole grains and lean proteins
- Talk to your doctor to manage your blood sugar levels



