

# Insulin Pumps: Are They Right for You?

## Potential Benefits



Requires fewer injections



Makes giving insulin easier (compared with traditional injections)



Easy to use on the go



Has a built-in dosing calculator

## Other Things to Consider



Setting up and getting used to it can take some time



Needs to be worn all the time



You will still need to practice daily T1D management (carb count, bolusing, adjusting for exercise, etc.)

## Insulin Pumps Approved in the US

	Insulet Omnipod® DASH	Medtronic MiniMed™ 630G	Medtronic MiniMed™ 770G	Tandem Diabetes t:slim X2
<b>Ages</b>	2+	14+	2+	6+
<b>Waterproof</b>	Yes (12f, 60m)	Yes (12f, 24h)	Yes (12f, 24h)	Watertight (3f, 30m)
<b>CGM Capability</b>	No, but both insulin data and CGM data can be viewed in Omnipod DISPLAY™ app	Optional (Guardian™ Sensor 3)	Optional (Guardian™ Sensor 3)	Optional (Dexcom G6)
<b>Automated Insulin Delivery Feature</b>	No	Optional (when used with Guardian™ Sensor 3)	Optional (when used with Guardian™ Sensor 3)	Optional (when upgraded to Basal-IQ or Control-IQ)
<b>Smartphone Enabled</b>	No, smartphone-like Personal Diabetes Manager; Omnipod VIEW™ app for up to 12 care partners	Yes, through a compatible smartphone; Carelink™ Connect app for up to 5 care partners	Yes, through a compatible smartphone and MiniMed Mobile App; Carelink™ Connect app for up to 5 care partners	Yes, through the t:connect® app
<b>Tubing</b>	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
<b>Software Upgrades</b>	Yes	No	Yes	Yes

CGM: continuous glucose monitor; f: feet; h: hours; m: minutes

## Getting an Insulin Pump

If you think a CGM might be right for you, consult with your physician. Visit [DiabetesWise.org](https://DiabetesWise.org) for information about:

- Other people's experiences using insulin pumps
- Key questions to ask your diabetes care team
- Support resources

For more information about insurance coverage for CGMs, [consult JDRF's Health Insurance Guide.](#)

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