

## **North Shore Chronic Disease Services**

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## **Diabetes Education Centre - Group Education Program**

## **Managing Your Diabetes**

Our team consists of Registered Nurses and Dietitians with specialized training in diabetes care. The group program consists of three sessions held about one month apart. You will also have time to talk to the Nurse and Dietitian about any individual concerns.

	Learn the basics of diabetes self-management.
Day 1	
	<ul> <li>What is diabetes? How is it managed?</li> </ul>
The Basics	What are my targets?
	Risk factors for diabetes
	Symptoms of diabetes
	<ul> <li>What foods affect my blood sugar?</li> </ul>
	Healthy eating, the glycemic index and the plate
	model
	What is my 'best' weight?
	How to set SMART goals to improve your
	health
	Blood glucose monitoring
	Tobacco and alcohol use
	Expand your self-management knowledge.
Day 2	Managing stress
	<ul> <li>How diabetes medications work</li> </ul>
Beyond the	<ul> <li>Recognizing and treating low blood</li> </ul>
Basics	glucose.
	<ul> <li>Adding movement and activity into my day</li> </ul>
	'Carb Counting', label reading and meal
	planning
	Strategies to help with eating out
	Learn how to stay healthy and prevent complications.
Day 3	
	Caring for my feet
Staying Healthy	<ul> <li>Planning for regular eye and dental check-ups</li> </ul>
with Diabetes	<ul> <li>What do I do when I am unwell or when I travel?</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>What is my lipid profile and how do I improve it?</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>How do I manage high blood pressure?</li> </ul>
	Eating for a Healthy Heart
	<ul> <li>Nutrition strategies to lower cholesterol, blood pressure and weight</li> </ul>

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