## When You're Sick



When you are sick, your blood sugar may rise more than usual.



Continue taking your diabetes medicine as usual.



Measure your blood sugar more often (every 2-4 hours if it is higher than normal).

Eat the usual amounts of food at the usual times.



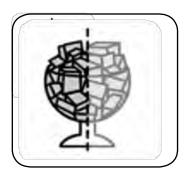
To avoid dehydration, drink at least 8 ounces of calorie-free fluids (water, broth, diet soda) every hour.

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If you can't eat as usual because of nausea and vomiting, drink liquids or eat foods with carbohydrates (1 serving every 1-2 hours).

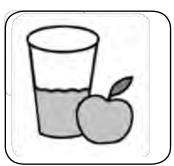
You can try these foods:



Gelatin (½ cup)



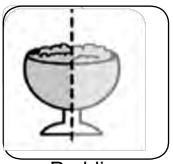
Ice Cream (½ cup)



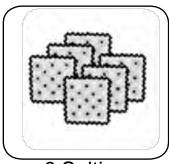
Fruit Juice (½ cup)



Gatorade™ 1 cup



Pudding (½ cup)



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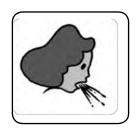
## When to Call Your Clinic



Low blood sugar: If your sugar continues to be low (less than 80) or you have signs of low blood sugar (sweaty, shaky, dizzy).



High blood sugar: If your sugar is high (more than 300) or if you have signs of high blood sugar. The signs of high sugar are urinating a lot, being very thirsty, blurry vision or feeling tired; but you may feel normal. For Type I, call if your sugar is more than 240 or you have ketones in your urine).



If you are vomiting for more than 8 hours and cannot hold down fluids.



If you have diarrhea for more than 8 hours and cannot hold down fluids.



If you have fever, chills, wound infections or sores.

OR if something with your diabetes worries you.